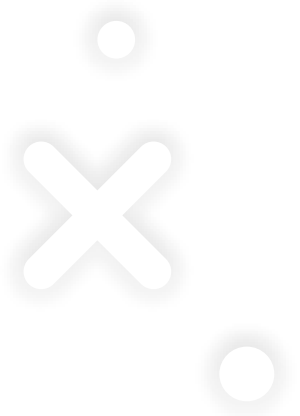




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**As umpires, we have a duty of care to all participants. By applying the rules and laws of the game we ensure this is possible.**

**Reporting players or officials is something we don't like to do as umpires, but it is an integral part of our role. The following pages provide details of the reporting procedures.**

**We need to ensure that the rules and protocols are followed in order to provide the right outcome from an unfortunate incident.**



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## ON FIELD:

- Field Umpires must advise the player / official that they have been reported at the time of the incident.
- Goal and Boundary Umpires can also do this and must advise the Field Umpire as soon as possible. If this isn't possible, they must advise the player / official before the start of the next quarter. A Field Umpire must be present when this occurs.
- The Field Umpire must show a **yellow** card or **red** for a serious offence. These serious offences are listed on the next page.
- The player shown a **yellow** card must leave the ground for 15 minutes and **CANNOT** be replaced for this time.
- A **red** card means the player / official cannot return to the field at all but **CAN** be replaced after 20 minutes of playing time.
- Make notes on a small notepad.



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## **RED CARD OFFENCES:**

**A player who commits the following AFL Laws of the Australian Football offences shall be reported and ordered off the ground for the remainder of the game and is able to be replaced after 20 minutes of actual playing time. The player red carded can take no further part in the game:**

**22.2.2 (Laws of Australian Football)**

- (a) intentionally or carelessly
  - (ii) kicking another person**
  - (iii) kneeling another person**
  - (viii) head butting an opponent or making contact to an opponent using the head****
- (b) eye-gouging another person**
- (c) stomping on another person**
- (d) intentionally making contact with or striking an umpire**
- (e) attempting strike an umpire**
- (f) spitting at or on an umpire**
- (j) carelessly making contact with an umpire**
- (cc) engaging in any other act of misconduct or serious misconduct**





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## OFF FIELD:

- Fill in the Notice of Report on Team App (AFLSE-SUA Group)
- Read the details of the Report to the Team Delegates
- Ensure you and the Team Delegates enter your names and sign it.
- Once everyone has signed the form, submit it.
- All umpires are to remain in the room until the delegates leave.
- Contact the Director of Umpiring to discuss the incident(s).





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## **DAY(S) AFTER THE GAME:**

- **If the player accepts the set penalty there is nothing else to do. You will be notified of this by email.**
- **If you or the player wish to go to Tribunal then you will be contacted by AFLSE and a Delegate will be assigned to your case. Tribunals are usually held Wednesday evenings.**
- **The Director of Umpiring will email you a Reporting Notes document which you should fill in return. This will be sent to your delegate.**
- **Your Delegate will contact you to discuss the case and will meet you at the Tribunal venue to go over anything else you need to know prior to your hearing.**



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## **AT THE TRIBUNAL:**

- **The Tribunal usually consists of 3 Tribunal Members, the player/official(s) involved and a delegate for each of them, you and your delegate.**
- **The Chairperson of the Tribunal will introduce themselves and the other members and will then go around the table and ask everyone else to introduce themselves and tell them what role they have here.**
- **The Chairperson will read the report and ask the player/official how they plead, guilty or not guilty.**
- **You will then provide the evidence as you remember it, using your notes, and may then be questioned by the Tribunal members and all other delegates.**
- **Once you have given your evidence, you are free to leave.**