



## **DISCIPLINARY CARDING SYSTEM 2026**

The Jozi Cup 2026 DISCIPLINARY CARDING SYSTEM is in place at all U18 - Veterans matches and will be imposed by the On-Field Umpires.

Furthermore, the Jozi Cup 2026 DISCIPLINARY CARDING SYSTEM will also be in place in any match where disciplinary infringements are witnessed by the Match Referee. In these instances, the Jozi Cup 2026 DISCIPLINARY CARDING SYSTEM will be implemented by the match referee.

### **GREEN CARD (Caution)**

**A green card serving as a caution which will be issued for the following:**

- 1) General swearing only audible on-field.
- 2) Showing dissent towards an umpire's decision by word or action.
- 3) Disregarding an umpire's match related instruction or request.
- 4) Engaging in verbal contact with an opponent that is not clearly audible to at least one of the umpires.

The issuing of a green card is intended to serve as a preventative measure to prevent any potentially volatile or conflicting situations from escalating.

Once a green card is shown for any of the above transgressions, it will serve as a caution to that particular player as well as to the rest of the team for the remainder of that innings.

### **YELLOW CARD**

**A yellow card will be issued for the following:**

- 1) Receiving a second green card for the same type of offense (even though it may not be the same player or should the first green card have been issued as a team caution).
- 2) Loud swearing audible by spectators as well.
- 3) Swearing directly at a fellow participant or umpire.
- 4) Giving a "send-off" to a batsman upon dismissal either by gesture, verbal comment or both.
- 5) Making obscene gestures directed at a fellow participant or an umpire.
- 6) Making verbally abusive comments of a personal nature to, or about a fellow participant or umpire.
- 7) Misuse or abuse of cricket equipment and/or ground facilities, whether on or off the field of play.



8) Committing any other Level 2 offence under the CGL Code of Conduct.

**Sanction for receiving a yellow card when batting:**

- a) If a batsman of the team batting first receives a yellow card **after** having been dismissed, the player will not be allowed to field at the start of the innings of the team batting second for 2 overs – **no** penalty runs to be awarded.
- b) If a batsman of the team batting second is dismissed **and has already fielded** (for clarification: his/her match is over and has no further role to play in the match) **10 penalty** runs to be awarded the opposing/fielding team.
- c) If the batsman is **not out**, that batsman will be sent off for a minimum of 2 overs and can only return at the fall of a wicket/another batsman retiring or being suspended. (To be carried over into fielding innings if applicable).
- d) If a batsman cannot complete his/her innings due to such suspension, his/her innings to be recorded as “Retired Out”.

**Sanction for receiving a yellow card when fielding:**

- a) The fielder will be sent off for minimum of 2 overs – Can only return at the start of a new over (to be carried over into batting innings if applicable).
- b) No substitute fielder allowed for the suspended player during the period of suspension. If the Wicket Keeper is suspended a substitute Wicket Keeper will be allowed. However, in this instance the fielding Captain must nominate another fielder to leave the field of play for the period of suspension (for clarity, in this case this particular fielder’s period of absence from the field of play will not be regarded as a suspension).
- c) Upon return to the field of play after serving his/her period of suspension, that player may bowl immediately if still eligible to bowl.

The issuing of a yellow card needs to be reported for purposes of record keeping, and possible further disciplinary action. A yellow card issued to a player will be kept on that player’s record for a period of 12 months and that player’s record will be cleared should he/she not receive another yellow card during that period of time.

**RED CARD**

**A red card will be issued for the following:**

- 1) Deliberate physical contact with an opponent or umpire.
- 2) Any threat of assault, violence or physical harm to an opponent, umpire, or any other participant, either by word or action.
- 3) Using language or a gesture that offends, insults, humiliates, intimidates, threatens, disparages, or vilifies another person on the basis of that person’s race, religion, gender, colour, descent or national or ethnic origin.



- 4) Upon a player receiving a 2<sup>nd</sup> yellow card in the same match.
- 5) Upon any member of the same team receiving a 3<sup>rd</sup> yellow card in the same match (Even though it may not be the same player receiving the 3<sup>rd</sup> yellow card).

**Sanction for receiving a red card when batting:**

- a) If a batsman of the team batting first receives a red card **after** being dismissed, the player is sent off for the rest of the match and will not be allowed to field – no penalty runs awarded.
- b) If a batsman of the team batting second is dismissed **and has already fielded** (for clarification: his/her match is completed and has no further role to play in the match) **10 penalty** runs to be awarded the opposing team.
- c) If a batsman of the team batting first receives a red card while his innings is in progress, the player is sent off for the rest of the match and will not be allowed to field – no penalty runs awarded. The innings of such a batsman will be recorded as “Retired Out”.
- d) If a batsman of the team batting second receives a red card while his innings is still in progress, the player is suspended for the rest of the match. **10 penalty** runs to be awarded the opposing team. The innings of such a batsman will be recorded as “Retired Out”.
- e) The umpires must report the matter after which a disciplinary process will follow.

**Sanction for receiving a red card when fielding:**

- a) Player is sent off (suspended) for the rest of the match.
- b) The umpires must report the matter after which a disciplinary process will follow.

**GENERAL**

- 1) If the player refuses to leave the field after receiving a yellow or red card, the Laws of Cricket (2017) insofar as a team refusing to play will apply (Law 16.3, Umpires awarding a match to the opposing team).
- 2) If the same player receives a 3<sup>rd</sup> yellow card within a year of receiving his second yellow card, a disciplinary hearing will be held, resulting in possible suspension of the player as per the applicable CGL Code of Conduct.
- 3) If a batsman is sent off the field and there is no batsman eligible to start or lawfully returning to commence/resume his/her innings, the innings of the team is completed.
- 4) Any referral in this document referring to him/his includes players, participants and officials of all sexes.