



Red Card Standards and Procedures

- The ASA Referee Send-Off Report paper form and the online GotSport Send-Off reporting will be utilized for all red cards.
- Any player sent off from a match must leave the technical area. It is recommended that the player retreat to the parking area of the complex or an area designated by the field director **(player must have adult supervision)** unless the field director grants an exception and allows the player to remain on the bench due to safety concerns.
- Any team official dismissed from participating in a match must leave the field area and retreat to the parking area of the complex or an area designated by the field director. The Match Officials and/or ASA staff on site are authorized to prohibit the use of any communication devices at the team bench areas.
- If a player receives a red card, an email notification will be sent to the coach, team manager and club registrar from redcards@azyouthsoccer.org.
- If a coach/team official receives a red card, an email notification will be sent to the coach, team manager and club registrar and DOC from redcards@azyouthsoccer.org.
- Team coaches are responsible for the conduct of their players, parents/spectators, and anyone associated with the team. Refer to the ASA Code of Conduct for additional details.

Rules for serving a red card suspension

- A player or team official who received a red card is required to fill out and have signed by a referee the ASA Suspension fulfillment form.
- All suspension fulfillment forms must be turned into ASA at redcards@azyouthsoccer.org within 48hrs of completion of the game in which the player served the suspension. Failure to turn in this form within the 48hr time frame may result in additional suspensions for the player/team official.
- The suspension must be served with the player's primary team. A suspension may not be served as a club pass or guest player with another team.
- A player serving a red card may NOT dress in uniform.
- The player does not need to be present at the game to serve their red card. A coach or team official must get the ASA suspension fulfillment form signed by the referee.
- A team official serving a red card may NOT be in the technical area.
- Team officials must serve their suspension with the team they received the red card with.
- Forfeitures, cancelled games, unscheduled games, bye games, and friendlies do not count towards fulfillment of suspension. Non-US Youth (USYS) sanctioned tournament games do not count towards the fulfillment of suspension. The list of ASA sanctioned tournaments is on the ASA website under "Club Tournaments".

USYS Desert Conference: Suspensions for red cards received in Desert Conference can only be served in Desert Conference games.

ASA Arizona Advanced Leagues: Suspension/s for red cards received in Arizona Advanced Leagues will only be served in Arizona Advanced League games. A player or coach/team official who receives a red card during an Advanced League game will be redlined in Got Soccer on the next game card after the referee send-off report is submitted. Players must serve their suspension with their primary team, including club pass players. If Arizona Advanced League games have finished, the suspension will be served in Presidents Cup or State Cup. If a team does not participate in either Presidents Cup or State Cup, the suspension will carry over to the next season played.

ASA Open League: Suspension/s for red cards received in Open League games will only be served in Open League games. Any player or coach/team official who receives a red card during Open League game will be redlined in Got Soccer and on the next game card. Players must serve their suspension with their primary team, including club pass players. If Open League is finished, the suspension will be served in Presidents Cup. If the team does not participate in Presidents Cup, the suspension will carry over to the next season played.

Non-ASA managed League Play: Each league will have established procedures for their misconduct policy. The league's misconduct sanctions will mirror the ASA Red Card Suspension Standards. Coaches are responsible for the information and guidelines provided in the league procedures. Any red cards issued for referee abuse or assault should be send to ASA D&R committee discipline@azyouthsoccer.org

ASA State Cup/ Presidents Cups: Suspensions for red cards received in ASA State Cup games must be served in State Cup games. Suspensions for red cards received in President's Cup games must be served in President's Cup games. If the player/coach receives a red card during the last game of the Cup series, the suspension will carry over to Regionals (only if the team qualifies for either FWR or Presidents Cup Regionals) otherwise the red card will carry over to the subsequent year's State/President's Cup series. (i.e., A red card is received during this year's President's Cup, but the team plays in the State Cup the following year. The suspension will be served during the State Cup series).

ASA Tournaments: Each tournament will have procedures listed in their rules for dealing with players /coaches ejected from contests. The tournament red card sanctions will mirror the ASA Red Card Suspension Standards. The tournament will use the ASA Referee Send-Off Report. For players/team officials who are ejected from their team's, the tournament is required

to send the player/coach pass, referee write up and player/coach write-up to the tournaments@azyouthsoccer.org. The D&R Committee will record the penalty and notify the coach of record. **Any tournament found to have not mirrored the ASA Red Card Standards for game suspensions may be fined and could risk not having their tournament sanctioned by ASA in the following years. If red cards have not been fulfilled by the end of the sanctioned tournament, they must be served in the players next game played with their primary team regardless of the league.**

USYS Regionals:

The US Youth Soccer Far West Tournament Committee has established procedures for dealing with player/coaches' ejections. Coaches should be familiar with these procedures. If not please refer to the FWR Championship Rules & Policies for the entire ruling:

Rule 225. Team and Player Breaches of Rules

Section 3. A player who is sent-off from any championship game is prohibited from participation in the next immediately following championship game played by the player's team. A player may receive more than a one-game suspension.

Section 4. Coaches and other team officials shall be subject to all rules pertaining to misconduct contained in this policy, including cautions, ejections, and standard suspension. Any other individuals who may be reasonably construed as being associated with a team, such as relatives and spectators, are also subject to the jurisdiction and authority of US Youth Soccer. Any coach or team official shall be held responsible for the actions of any individual at any game that, in the opinion of the referee, is a supporter of that team.

USYS Nationals:

Procedures are consistent with the National Championship Series (NCS). Refer to the procedures listed for Regionals in the previous section.



2022-2023 RED CARD SUSPENSION STANDARDS

OFFENSE	MINIMUM SUSPENSION FOR PLAYERS	MINIMUM SUSPENSION FOR TEAM OFFICIAL
Second Caution (2C)	1 game	1 game, plus 1 game
Foul or Abusive Language (AOL) directed at someone other than a match official	1 game	1 game, plus 1 game
Serious Foul Play - Denies a goal or an opponent a goal scoring opportunity by deliberately handling the ball (DGH)	1 game	N/A
Serious Foul Play- Denies a goal or an opponent a goal scoring opportunity by a committing a foul punishable by a free kick committed in a non-dangerous way (example pulling a jersey) (DGF)	1 game	N/A
Serious Foul Play (SFP) - other than above	2 games	N/A
Violent Conduct (VC)	3 games	3 games, plus 1 game and & referred to ASA Disciplinary Committee
Foul or abusive language directed at a match official (AL or AL-O)	3 games	3 games, plus 1 game
2nd Offense Violent Conduct (VC) or Serious Foul Play (SFP) Other	4 games & referred to ASA Disciplinary Committee	3 games, plus 1 game & referred to ASA Disciplinary Committee
Pushing, Striking or Spitting at a Match Official (S) (A Match Official shall be defined as referee, assistant referee, referee assignor, referee administrator, tournament staff including volunteers, tournament director, or an AYSA Board Member.)	Referred to ASA Disciplinary Committee	Referred to ASA Disciplinary Committee
Coaches and team administrators who are ejected from a match for Irresponsible Behavior (IRB) - Team/Bench Behavior	N/A	1 game, plus 1 game