

2009 FTSA UNACCEPTABLE CONDUCT PENALTIES

Ejections for Violent Conduct: Players sent off for violent conduct shall suffer the suspensions listed in the Table of Standard Penalties for Unacceptable Conduct for the first offense during any seasonal year. Suspensions may be doubled for the second offense in any one seasonal year.

Accumulation of Cautions: A player who, in any given seasonal year, accumulates three (3) individual cautions may be suspended for one (1) game. A second accumulation of three (3) individual cautions within the seasonal year may result in an additional suspension of two (2) games. Further, misconduct on the part of the same individual may be sufficient cause of the Executive Board to consider additional penalties of increased severity. In each case, action against the individual is initiated by the referee's game report.

Accumulation of Cautions for Dissent: A player who, in any given seasonal year, accumulates two (2) individual cautions for dissent shall be suspended for one (1) game. Further cautions for dissent on the part of the same individual may be sufficient cause of the Grievance Committee to consider additional penalties of increased severity. In each case, action against the individual is initiated by the referee's game report.

Conduct Detrimental to the Good and Welfare of the Game: Any player, coach or team official, or club officer, whose conduct is considered to be detrimental to the good and welfare of the game, is subject to suspension as determined by the Executive Board.

Repetitive Detrimental Conduct: A coach or team official, who in any given seasonal year, accumulates two individual cautions, shall be subject to suspension by the Executive Board.

Ejection: Should a team official or coach be ejected from the game, the penalty for the first offense shall be a two game suspension (minimum) and appearance before the Executive Board.

Period of Limitation: Charges shall be brought within one month of the alleged offense and not thereafter.

TABLE OF PENALTIES FOR UNACCEPTABLE CONDUCT

Offense	Suspension
Fighting (mutually exchanged blows delivered by any portion of the body with any other person)	3 games
Aggression (blows delivered by any portion of the body with any other person in which the other party does not take part by returning blows)	3 games
Assault (strike any person with any object (rock, stick, etc.) which could be expected to result in serious injury)	4 years
Deliberately pushing, striking, kicking, or attempting to do so to a referee or AR by a player	1 year
Deliberately pushing, striking, kicking, or attempting to do so to a referee or AR by a coach or club official.	5 years
The throwing of objects (soccer balls, snow or ice balls, mud, dirt, or rocks) at any person. Note: In the event that such object strikes the target, the player could be charged with assault.	3 games
The throwing of objects at a referee or linemen.	6 games
Spitting at or on a player or spectator.	3 games
Spitting at or on a referee or linemen.	6 games
Verbal threat of bodily harm or property damage delivered to any person.	2 games
Verbal threat delivered to a referee or assist referee.	4 games
Gesturing or signaling obscenely or the use of profane language toward any person.	1 game
Gesturing or signaling obscenely or the use of profane language toward a referee or AR by a player.	2 games
Gesturing or signaling obscenely or the use of profane language toward a referee or AR by any member of the coaching staff or club official.	3 games
Pushing which results in an ejection.	1 game
Serious foul play which results in an ejection from the game.	1 game