

BRADFORD PREMIER LEAGUE

DISCIPLINARY CODE

The Bradford Premier League is opposed to misconduct and all captains and players are reminded that they have a responsibility to observe the ECB Code of Conduct and Spirit of Cricket at all times,

The League's umpires have a responsibility for reporting unsatisfactory conduct by member clubs, their players, officials or supporters. They can now impose a five run penalty when confronted with unacceptable behaviour or language on the field of play that is likely to offend.

This is meant to serve as a warning to a captain to exercise his responsibilities under the Spirit of Cricket and ensure there is no repetition. The five run penalty can only be applied once to each side in a match and subsequent indiscipline will lead to the player or players and captain being subject to disciplinary action.

Players are urged to always show respect for umpires. Using foul and abusive language, making racist comments or gestures and violence are not acceptable on the cricket field and players reported face being suspended and or fined.

The ECB Recommended disciplinary tariff is

Level One offences: Suspension of 1-4 weeks. Fine up to £125

Level Two offences: Suspensions of 4-16 weeks. Fine up to £250

Level Three offences: Suspensions of 4-32 weeks, Fine up to £375

Level Four offences: Suspension of 12 weeks-sine die. Fine up to £500

If you are reported by the umpires they will contact the League Disciplinary Chairman by 10pm the following day. They will also submit details on their match report card.

Your club must conduct their own internal enquiry without need of written complaint or other prompting, and forward their findings and action taken, to the League's Disciplinary Chairman, in writing, to be received before the date of the Disciplinary Panel hearing. The action taken by the club will be taken into consideration by the Disciplinary Panel.

An official of your club will be informed by the League Disciplinary Chairman of the date on which the case will be considered by the Disciplinary Panel and it his/her responsibility to tell the player or player(s) involved.

Disciplinary Hearings will normally be held within ten days of the incident. The player reported will be requested to attend and the panel will call his captain who is responsible for the conduct of his team. The player reported is entitled to be supported by a colleague or call witnesses. If you do not attend the hearing will go on without you.

Following the outcome of the Disciplinary Hearing, the player or club is entitled to the right of appeal to the Appeals Committee. Notice of appeal, setting out the grounds must be received in writing by the League Disciplinary Chairman within seven days of the decision given by the panel at the Disciplinary Hearing together with a deposit of £50. This will normally take place within seven days of the notice being received