

## **GCCL DISCIPLINARY TARIFF EXAMPLES**

The following are offered as examples of offences from each of the disciplinary levels identified in the league handbook. Please note they are not definitive but illustrative and cannot hope to cover all examples of misdemeanours. They are meant as a guide only.

### **Level 1.**

Batsman repeatedly hits the ball to fielders and swears out loud as a result. He is not swearing at anybody in particular but is expressing frustration. On the first occasion he should be given a warning by the umpire. On the second occasion he is given a final warning and the team captain is spoken to by the umpire. If there is a repeat of this behaviour then this would constitute a level 1 offence for the player and level 2 for the captain. Further repetitions may result in higher tariffs.

However if the offending player was a bowler expressing frustration in the same way then the same process would be followed for the first offence. However a second repetition by ANY player on the fielding side would result in a warning and the umpire speaking to the captain. On the 3rd occasion the offending player would be subject to disciplinary at level 1 (even if it is the first time he personally has offended) but the captain would be subject to disciplinary at level 2 for failing to control his players.

### **Level 2.**

See above for captains.

Please note that captains cannot be subject to disciplinary processes unless the umpire has first given them a warning about the conduct of their players. However they can still be subject to the disciplinary process as individual batsmen or bowlers.

Batsman given out LBW by umpire. Batsman does not believe he is out and questions the umpire's decision (without swearing) or remains at the crease for an overly long period of time before leaving the field of play. Or on leaving the field of play is heard to dispute the decision and/or throws items of his kit (e.g. bat) before he reaches the dressing room. This would constitute a level 2 disciplinary.

Fielding side appeal for a run out which is not given. They then proceed to question the umpire's decision and throw the ball away in frustration. This would be level 2 for all of those players involved.

Bowler appeals for LBW which is not given. He then politely asks the umpire why it was not out. The umpire can either choose to explain or not as he sees fit. The bowler then returns to his mark immediately and continues with the game. This is NOT a disciplinary offence. However if the bowler continues to question the umpire or argues with the umpire about his reasons then this would be Level 2.

In both of the above cases where the individual has contravened the spirit of cricket the umpire should give a warning to the captain.

**Level 3.**

As above but with verbal abuse directed directly towards the umpire or indirectly towards the umpire as the player is leaving the field, returning to his mark as a bowler, or fielding position as a fielder.

A team is unhappy with the decisions that have been made in the game and decide to abandon the game before it reaches its conclusion. In this case all players in that team will be subject to disciplinary at level 3.

**Level 4**

As for level 3 but then continuing to abuse the umpire after the game. (note that having an adult discussion that is respectful and seeking clarification after the game is different from abusing the umpire after the game and should NOT be disciplinary)

A member of a team physically threatens another player from their team (or the opponents) or an umpire/scorer or spectator. This would be level 4 but if the player physically strikes anybody else then this would be Level 5 and would result in a long term ban.