



Examples of how to report Sending Off Incidents – A Guide for Match Officials

Under Law 12 section:

incident which came under my notice was as follows:-

Example 1 – Violent Conduct

In the second half, the above named player (Jack King) deliberately and violently kicked an opponent in the leg after the ball had been played by the opposing player. This resulted in the player requiring attention from the physio but continued for the rest of the game.

I therefore dismissed Jack King for violent conduct.

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Example 2 – Violent Conduct

In the first half two players challenged for the ball, resulting in me awarding a foul to Beech Utd FC. As both players got to their feet the above player, Gary White of AFC Rangers, struck his opponent in the face on two occasions. The Beech Utd FC player fell to the ground and had a lot of blood coming from his nose and required immediate treatment.

I dismissed Gary White for violent conduct. The Beech Utd player did not continue the game and after I was made aware that he had gone to hospital due to the nature of his injuries.



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Example 3 – Serious Foul Play

In the second half when challenging for the ball the player (stated above) made a dangerous and excessive challenge on his opponent, resulting in the studs of the players boot connecting with his opponent's chest.

The challenge was made at speed and endangered the safety of the opponent resulting in the player unable to continue the game. I sent the player from the field for an act of serious foul play.

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Example 4 – Serious Foul Play

During the game, the above player, Joe Wright, committed a late challenge on his opponent, jumping into the challenge with two feet off the ground using excessive force connecting with the player shin/knee. The player received treatment but was able to resume playing.

I awarded a free kick to the Home team and dismissed the Joe for serious foul play.



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Example 5 – Offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures

After blowing for half time I clearly heard and saw the player from FC Rangers Number 10 shout to an opposing player 'shut up you Irish prick'. This resulted in a confrontation between the two players which I defused relatively quickly.

I took the FC Rangers player to one side and asked for his name which he provided as Lawrence Hughes. I informed the player he was being dismissed for the comments made and duly showed him the red card.

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Example 6 – Offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures

During the second half after turning down a penalty appeal for the Kings Arms their Number 8 came running towards me whilst the ball was still in play and shouted "You fucking cheat. You have been cheating all fucking game".

I immediately stopped the game and requested the player's name. He stated his name was Joe Turner. I informed him he was being dismissed for the language used which was offensive and abusive. I showed him the red card and sent him from the field of play.



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Example 7 – Denial of an obvious goal scoring opportunity

In the second half, the Littern Tree were attacking and as the attacking player only had the keeper to beat he knocked the ball round him and was pulled down by the goalkeeper, thus preventing the striker an obvious goal scoring opportunity.

I awarded a penalty kick to Littern Tree and dismissed the keeper from the field of play for denying an obvious goal scoring opportunity.

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Example 8 – Denial of an obvious goal scoring opportunity

In the first half after a challenge was made by the defending team my assistant signalled for a penalty kick and informed me the defender had denied the attacked of an obvious goal scoring opportunity.

I called the Number 3 towards me requested his name, Kane Jones and dismissed him from the field of play.



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Example 9 – Offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gesture

Ken Jones was playing for Cavery FC and during the game made several challenges that seemed to upset his opposition and spectators, this resulted in them exchanging words several times throughout the first half.

In the second half, following a foul he made on an opponent a female spectator from Nutacre FC shouted 'you're a fucking disgrace. Do you think your big and hard going into challenges like that'.

Before I was able to blow my whistle and prevent any reaction Mr Jones responded saying 'why don't you fuck off home and do the washing up. What do you know about football anyway'.

The female spectator started swearing and becoming abusive towards the Cavery FC player but was being restrained by other supports on the side of the pitch. After pulling Mr Jones away from the incident I informed him that his comments were offensive and dismissed him from the field of play.