

Appendix 11 – amended 11/4/2021
BLG Independent Tribunal. PRESCRIBED PENALTIES

GENERAL NOTES

1. Umpires have the right to send any offence to the Tribunal and will note this on the report sheet.
2. Serious offences such as eye gouging, head butting, elbowing must be referred to the Tribunal.
3. Two reports on same day,
1st report: Prescribed Penalty if available;
2nd report: Tribunal.
4. Second reportable offence within 2 years
(a) Different offence: Prescribed Penalty
(b) Same offence: Prescribed Penalty plus 1 match.
5. Third reportable offence within 3 years: Must go to the Tribunal
6. Degree of Intent – Clarification

Where any of the Reportable Offences listed in Law 21.2.2 specify that conduct may be intentional or careless:

(a) any report or notice of report which does not allege whether the conduct was intentional or careless shall be deemed to and be read as alleging that the conduct was either intentional or careless; and

(b) the Tribunal or other body appointed to hear and determine the report may find the report proven if it is satisfied on the balance of probabilities that the conduct was either intentional or careless.

SECTION ONE

Any person reported by an umpire for the following offences (as numbered in the AFL Laws of Australian Football) shall appear before the BLG Independent Tribunal Commissioners.

- 22.2.2 (a)(ii) Intentionally, or carelessly kicking another person
22.2.2 (a)(iii) Intentionally or carelessly kneeling another person
22.2.2 (a)(vi) Intentionally, or carelessly bumping or making forceful contact to an opponent from front-on when that player has their head down over the football
22.2.2 (a)(vii) Intentionally or carelessly head butting an opponent or making contact to an opponent using the head
22.2.2 (a)(viii) Intentionally or carelessly making unreasonable or unnecessary contact to the eye region of an opponent
22.2.2 (b) Eye-gouging another person
22.2.2 (c) Stomping on another person
22.2.2 (d) Intentionally making contact with or striking an Umpire
22.2.2 (e) Attempting to strike an Umpire
22.2.2 (f) Spitting on or at an Umpire
22.2.2 (g) Behaving in an abusive, insulting, threatening or obscene manner towards or in relation to an umpire
22.2.2 (i) Unreasonable or unnecessary contact with an Umpire
22.2.2 (j) Carelessly making contact with an Umpire
22.2.2 (l) Spitting at or on another Person
22.2.2 (n) Attempting to kick another Person

Persons found guilty shall receive a penalty decided by the Commissioners plus a Tribunal Fee of \$100-00

SECTION TWO

PART (A)

Any person reported by an umpire for the following offences (as numbered in the AFL Laws of Australian Football) may elect to accept a suspension of one or two matches as follows.

- 22.2.2 (a)(i) Intentionally, or carelessly striking another Person **(two)**
22.2.2 (a)(iv) Intentionally, or carelessly charging another person **(one)**
22.2.2 (a)(v) Intentionally, or carelessly engaging in Rough Conduct against an opponent **(two)**
22.2.2 (a)(ix) Intentionally or carelessly making unreasonable or unnecessary contact to the face of an opponent **(one)**
22.2.2 (a)(x) Intentionally or carelessly scratching another person **(one)**
22.2.2 (a)(xi) Intentionally, or carelessly tripping another player whether by hand, arm, foot or leg **(one)**
22.2.2 (h) Using abusive, insulting, threatening or obscene language towards or in relation to to an umpire **(one)**
22.2.2 (k) Disputing a decision of an Umpire **(one)**
22.2.2 (m) Attempting to strike another Person **(two)**
22.2.2 (o) Attempting to trip another person whether by hand, arm, foot or leg **(one)**
22.2.2 (p) Making unreasonable or unnecessary contact with an injured player **(one)**
22.2.2 (v) Using abusive, insulting, threatening or obscene language **(one)**
22.2.2 (w) Use of an obscene gesture **(one)**
22.2.2 (x) Engaging in time wasting **(one)**
22.2.2 (y) Interfering with a Player kicking for goal; **(one)**
22.2.2 (z) Intentionally shaking, climbing or otherwise interfering with a goal or behind post **(one)**
22.2.2 (aa) Failing to leave the playing surface when directed to do so by a Field Umpire **(one)**
22.2.2 (cc) Engaging in any other act of misconduct or serious misconduct **(two)**

PART (B)

Any person reported by an umpire for the following offences (as numbered in the AFL Laws of Australian Football) may elect to accept a fine as follows.

- 22.2.2(q) Engaging in a melee **(\$200-00)**
22.2.2(r) Instigating a melee **(\$200-00)**
22.2.2(s) Wrestling another person **(\$200-00)**
22.2.2(t) Pinching another person **(\$200-00)**
22.2.2(u) Engaging in an act of staging **(\$200-00)**
22.2.2(bb) Wearing boots, jewellery and equipment prohibited under Law 9 **(\$100-00)**

Umpires shall report and charge any person in accordance with the normal procedures for offences listed in Part (A) & Part (B) above, but the report shall not be heard by the Tribunal UNLESS so requested by (a) The umpire who lodges the report, (b) The reported person (or club official). **Such requests shall be in writing and delivered to the Secretary BLGFA by no later than 6pm on the day following the match.**