

ASRU Championships Judiciary /Appeals

–Processes

1. The Judiciary Committee shall consist of any three of the following—

- a) --ASRU Senior Selector
- b) --ASRU Selectors
- c) --ASRU Administrator
- d) --ASRU Executive Members, other than the President and Vice-President
- e) --an ARU official

2. The Appeals Committee shall consist of any three of the following-

- a) --ASRU President
- b) --ASRU Vice-President
- c) --ASRU Executive members, other than any on the Judiciary Committee
- d) --ASRU Selectors, other than any on the Judiciary

3. The process at sittings of the Judiciary and Appeals Committees shall include the following-

- a) --the player being dealt with and one member of his Team Management must be present
- b) --the Judiciary Committee shall normally meet as soon as is practicable after the game concerned
- c) --the Referees / Citing person's report must be provided to each member of the Committee
- d) --the Referee / Citing person does not attend the sitting
- e) --the content of the report is to be read to the player and the Team Management member
- f) --the player and the Team Managements member are to be given reasonable time for each to respond to and comment upon the report
- g) --the committee members may ask the player or the Team Management Member questions for clarification, but are not to give opinions about the report at this time
- h) --for the Appeals committee the player or the Team Management member is to provide in writing the grounds for their appeal

- i) --the player and the Team Management member will be asked to leave the room while the Committee deliberates
- j) --the Committee should, if possible, reach its decision by consensus, but a majority vote can suffice
- k) --the Committee will invite the player and the Team Management member back after reaching a decision and inform them of the decision and the reasons for it
- l) --at this time they are to be informed by the Judiciary Committee Chair of the procedure and timing for lodging an appeal, if they should so wish.
- m) --if the sitting of the Judiciary Committee is dealing with a matter that has arisen outside of a game, then it will obtain a report from the relevant person and follow similar procedures to the above.

4. Other

- a. -Decisions of the Appeals Committee are final and there is no further appeal.
- b. -The Referee /Citing person is to be informed, in writing, of the decisions of the Judiciary and Appeals Committee
- c. -As far as possible the Judiciary Committee should impose sanctions which occur within the timing of the Championships
- d. -For serious offences occurring on the last day sanctions may be carried forward to Club and/or Schools games. In this event the relevant school and/or club is to be informed in writing as soon as possible. The relevant State RU and the ARU are also to be informed in this circumstance.
- e. -A record of the meetings of any Judiciary or Appeals Committee sittings is to be kept by the Administrator of the ASRU.
- f. --If the matter is a serious disciplinary issue—whether arising from a game or elsewhere—the Judiciary shall determine to inform the Principal of the player’s school. They should normally do this unless there are exceptional mitigating circumstances for not so doing.