

Reminder: TEAM MANAGERS are responsible for inputting scores and yellow/red card bookings into GotSoccer after each game, as well as maintaining the individual penalty points of their coaches/players **outside** of the GotSoccer system. Once a yellow/red card is updated in GotSoccer, a player who has earned a suspension should automatically be lined through on the next game card; **HOWEVER**, some teams are not inputting this information and there can be delays in receiving and processing of game cards each week...and we do verify every single card!

So while GotSoccer is a wonderful tool, it should be viewed as the **BACKUP** system to **YOUR documentation**. On the back of this form you will find a Penalty Point Report so that you may accurately track yellow/red cards received during the seasonal year. In addition, coaches/players are also responsible for tracking and maintaining their own individual penalty points. Penalty Points **WILL NOT** reset due to Seasonal Year Scheduling.

Not properly maintaining this information may result in a forfeit if a suspended player participates in a game in which he/she should have sat out. There is no exception for not properly maintaining this information.

Once we receive the official game report (game card), the information is validated against the GotSoccer system and a log is made of all the recorded yellow/red cards and served suspensions in each game. So if you have a team official/player that needs to sit out due to an ejection or accumulation of penalty points as a Primary or Club Pass player (For example, **a player having received 3 yellow cards in 3 different games accumulates 3 x 3 points = 9 points which will result in a suspension in the next game**), please remember to mark through the name on the game card and write: "sitting out red card" or "sitting out due to pp acc".

Penalty Point Reference Guide

	Caution Code	Description	Penalty Points
YELLOW CARD	UB	Unsporting behavior	3
	DT	Dissent by word or action	3
	PI	Persistent infringement	3
	DR	Delaying the restart of play	3
	FDR	Failure to respect the required distance when play is restarted with a corner kick, free kick or throw-in	3
	E	Entering the field of play without the referee's permission	3
	L	Deliberately leaving the field of play without referee's permission	3
RED CARD	SFP	Serious foul play	9
	VC	Violent conduct – <i>2 Week Suspension & minimum 2 Games</i>	9
	S	Spitting at an opponent or any other person – <i>2 Week Suspension & minimum 2 Games</i>	9
	DGH	Denying the opposing team a goal or an obvious goal-scoring opportunity by deliberately handling the ball	9
	DGF	Denies an obvious goal-scoring opportunity to an opponent moving towards the player's goal by an offense punishable by a free kick or a penalty kick	9
	AL	Using offensive, insulting and/or abusive language or gestures - <i>2 Week Suspension & minimum 2 Games</i>	9
	2CT	Receiving a second caution in the same match	9

STYSA Progressive Disciplinary System: Violent Conduct, Spitting, and Abusive Language carry an automatic two week suspension from all soccer activities including but not limited to games, practice games, tournaments, friendly games. A hearing may be convened to determine whether additional sanction will be levied. For additional information and/or to read the entire rule please reference STYSA Rule: 4.9.6

Note 2CT: in case a player accumulates two yellow cards in one game, please be aware you do not add the 3 points for each caution and the 9 points for the 2CT. The player's penalty point report for that game will be 9 points.
Note Point Accumulation: a player who accumulates three yellow cards in three separate games will earn a suspension in the next scheduled game due to an accumulation of 9 points. The same is true for accumulating 18, 24, 30, etc. Additional suspensions may apply starting with 18 points.

More information on the Progressive Discipline System can be found in the STYSA rules on www.stxsoccer.org.