

MARYLAND REFEREE COMMITTEE



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Supplemental Report Writing



SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTS

WHY YOUR REPORT IS NECESSARY

In order for the appropriate league, club or responsible authority to administer the proper sanction against the offender(s) a written report on the proper form is needed.

A verbal report is insufficient for anyone to take action.



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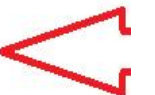
The report form is available via the link found on the Maryland Referees website- <https://www.marylandreferees.com/msr2/>



Follow the link on the right side of the homepage as indicated by the red arrow

Game Management Links

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Elements of a good report

- Wording is crucial because the report may become a legal document
- Present facts only – not opinions
- The who, what, where, when and why of the incident
- Use actual quoted words (no matter how abusive) when involving something a person said
- A collaboration of all the officials to make sure the narrative is correct



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Elements of a good report

- Use the correct terminology and cite wording from the Laws of the Game if necessary 
- Use the FIFA considerations where appropriate. The considerations is a list of questions that help you decide if an action meets a certain criteria
- Link to the considerations:
<https://static.usdccc.com/users/186662/878956/fifa-considerations.pdf>



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Where to send the first draft

- Youth games – State Youth Referee Administrator and/or the State Director of Instruction
- Adult games – State Referee Administrator and/or the State Director of Instruction
- Email addresses for the above can be found here:
https://www.marylandreferees.com/msr2/?page_id=119
- Be sure to keep a copy of the final version



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- The following two slides contain a list of all the reasons for writing a Supplemental Report
- Each example first describes the action that took place, followed by the sanction given for that action
- Clicking on the “Home” icon in the lower right takes you back to the list of reasons



REASONS FOR A REPORT

- Send-off (R/C) – Serious Foul Play
- Send-off (R/C) – Violent Conduct
- Send-off (R/C) – DOGSO, free kick offense
- Send-off (R/C) – DOGSO, handball offense
- Send-off (R/C) – Biting or spitting at someone
- Send-off (R/C) – offensive, insulting or abusive language or action
- Send-off (R/C) – 2nd caution



REASONS FOR A REPORT

- Send-off (R/C) – team official
- Terminated or abandoned match
- Serious injury
- Referee abuse or assault



SERIOUS FOUL PLAY

In the 58th minute of the match near the halfway line, Saturn Stars #15, Danny Danger challenged Plutos #4 for the ball from behind by leaving his feet and lunging with a straight leg and his studs exposed. Contact was made with force to the Achilles tendon area thus endangering the safety of Plutos #4. The conditions of this challenge met all the criteria for Serious Foul Play; thus, Danny Danger was shown a red card and sent-off. Danny Danger left the field in a timely manner.

(Add a statement as to whether or not the fouled player was able to continue to play)



VIOLENT CONDUCT

In the 65th minute of the match, an incident occurred away from the ball behind the referee's back but in plain view of Assistant Referee (AR) #1. Sausage Links #8, Edgy Edgar was running up field next to Lucky Charms #5. Suddenly Edgar swung his elbow with force into his opponent's right cheek knocking him to the ground. The AR immediately put up her flag and got the referee's attention. Play was stopped and Edgy Edgar was shown the red card and sent-off for Violent Conduct. Edgar left the field without causing any further Incident.

(Add a statement as to whether or not the victim was able to continue in the game)



DOGSO – FREE KICK OFFENSE

In the 13th minute of the match, Mars Marauders #4 was inside the Saturn Stars Penalty Area with the ball at her feet. She was headed straight for the goal with only the opposing goalkeeper to beat. Before Marauders #4 could take her shot, Saturn Stars #15, Cynical Charlotte grabbed her jersey and pulled her down. A Penalty Kick was awarded to the Marauders and since the incident met all the criteria for Denying an Obvious Goal Scoring Opportunity with no attempt to play the ball, Cynical Charlotte was shown a Red Card and Sent-off. Charlotte left the field without causing any further problem.



DOGSO – HANDBALL OFFENSE

In the 72nd minute of the match, Jupiter Jets #19, Interfering Iris was standing inside her own team's Goal Area. A shot was taken by a player on the opposing team, the Saturn Stars. Iris deliberately extended her arm away from her body to stop the ball from going into the goal. Iris' action Denied an Obvious Goal to the Saturn Stars, so she was shown a red card and sent-off. Iris immediately left the field.



BITING OR SPITTING

In the 65th minute of the match, Sirius FC #12 Vulgar Vince and Vega United #6 were involved in a verbal confrontation. Then suddenly, Vulgar Vince spit at his opponent. Vulgar Vince was shown the red card and sent-off for Spitting at someone. Vince left the field without any further confrontation with #6 of Vega United.



OFFENSIVE, INSULTING OR ABUSIVE LANGUAGE OR ACTION

In the 73rd minute of the match, Comets FC scored a go-ahead goal. Titans United #14, Angry Adam immediately sprinted over to AR #1 to protest that the scorer was offside. AR #1 maintained his composure and tried to assure Adam that the scorer was definitely onside. Angry Adam became incensed and shouted at AR #1 “You’re fucking blind and you don’t have a clue how to determine offside. You don’t deserve a referee badge, you idiot”. The referee immediately ran over, and Angry Adam was shown the red card and sent-off for using offensive and insulting language.



RECEIVING A 2ND CAUTION

In the 83rd minute of the match, near the halfway line, Jupiter Jets #7 Brash Brooke, with no chance to play the ball, tripped her opponent of Vega United from behind. Deeming this to be a reckless foul, the referee showed Brooke a yellow card for Unsporting Behavior.

Because Brooke had already received a yellow card for dissent in the 40th minute, the referee then gave Brooke a red card for Receiving a 2nd Caution in the same match.

Brooke immediately left the field.



TEAM OFFICIAL SEND-OFF

In the 62nd minute of the match in midfield near the touchline on the side of the field near the benches, players from Sirius FC and Vega United were vying for the ball. The referee saw it as a fair challenge and let play continue as the Sirius FC player gained possession of the ball. The coach of Vega United, Perturbed Pete, jumped up from his seat and began showing displeasure with the decision. When the ball went out of bounds for a throw-in, Coach Pete ran 10 yards down the touchline, waving his arms and telling the referee “That was a horrible call. My player was clearly fouled. Call the fouls or someone’s going to get hurt”. The referee showed Coach Pete the red card and sent him off for “deliberately leaving the technical area to show dissent towards, or remonstrate with, a match official”



TERMINATED OR ABANDONED MATCH

In the 82nd minute, Lucky Charms #4, Aggressive Alex was shown a red card and sent off for Serious Foul Play due to a challenge on the Sausage Links goalkeeper. Several Lucky Charms spectators immediately converged behind the Sausage Links goal and began shouting at the referee about how he didn't know what he was doing and that the challenge didn't even deserve a yellow card. When the spectators continued harassing the referee and the Lucky Charms coach wouldn't intervene, the referee terminated the match in the 85th minute because he feared for his own safety.



SERIOUS INJURY

In the 50th minute of the match, players from Sirius FC and Jupiter Jets were both trying to win the ball. They both made contact with the ball at the same moment. Both players ended up on the ground. The referee ran over quickly and immediately called for the trainer to look at Sirius FC #8. The trainer quickly assessed that Sirius FC #8, Injured Ivan had broken his leg. The game was delayed until the ambulance arrived and Ivan's leg was stabilized enough to remove him from the game. The game resumed after the lengthy delay and was played in its entirety.



REFEREE ABUSE OR ASSAULT

In the 88th minute of the match Vega United took a free kick from about 35 yards away from the Saturn Stars goal. As the ball floated into the Penalty Area, AR#1 spotted Saturn Stars #19, Fouling Fred push a Vega United player to the ground just before he was going to jump up to head the ball. Seeing that the referee was screened out, AR#1 raised his flag for the foul (penalty kick). After a brief discussion, the referee awarded the Penalty Kick to Vega United and they scored. Shortly thereafter the referee blew his whistle to end the game. A Saturn Stars spectator entered the field and confronted AR#1. The spectator was angrily berating the AR in a foreign language and then spit in his face. The police were called and the coach of Saturn Stars provided the name of the spectator. Otherwise, everyone was able to leave the field peacefully.