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To All Club Secretaries and Discipline Officers

A Pre-season Note from the Disciplinary Sub-Committee- August 2015

There are certain matters that we hope will be brought to the attention of all players, coaches and Club officials prior to the beginning of the next season; we hope that this will reduce the high number of red cards..

1. The RFU have advised all disciplinary Committees that not only will there be no reduction in sanction for any red card that involves a striking to the head, but that a period of 1 or 2 weeks should be added to the sanction. The RFU are very concerned about blows to the head.
2. Hearings without attendance can only be considered for those who have not been sanctioned in the previous 5 years.
3. During a match players and coaches must remain within the technical areas; all clubs should mark out technical areas on their main pitch; the area between the halfway line and the 10 metre line can be used on other pitches. The referees Societies are being asked to check that this is followed.
4. All main pitches must be "roped off"; this is a RFU requirement for League matches and is also a requirement for Kent Cup-Plate-Shield-Vase and Salver matches.
5. No replacement\Coach or spectator should enter the pitch during a game. A Coach can enter if invited to do so by the Referee.
6. When a player changes clubs, the "new" club should check that that player is not subject to a sanction.
7. All Clubs must report to Colin Blackham any red card offences (including 2 yellow cards) within 48 hours of the match. A Fine is imposed for late or non-reporting.

As ever Match Official abuse will not be tolerated.

We hope that we do not see you this season.

Tim Fagg
Chairman Disciplinary Committee