

## GENERAL INFORMATION\*

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Lead Area:	Rugby Operations
Lead Policy Title:	Sanctions and Suspensions in Other Sports
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## SCOPE OF RESPONSIBILITY

- This document outlines the SA Rugby policy of recognising sanctions and suspensions of other sports and enforcing them within SA Rugby administered competitions.
- This policy applies to all players, coaches, officials, spectators and clubs participating in SA Rugby administered competitions.
- The purpose of the policy is to ensure that participants sanctioned/suspended in other sports do not avoid the effect of that sanction/suspension by participating in Rugby Union before penalty has been fully served.

## RECIPROCAL ARRANGEMENTS

- SA Rugby Union currently have reciprocal arrangements with the following sporting bodies:
  - South Australian Rugby League

## RECOGNITION OF SANCTION/SUSPENSION

- SA Rugby Union will enforce any sanction or suspension from a sporting body listed under 'reciprocal arrangements', for any of the following:
  - Player sanctioned/suspended for on field foul play (or equivalent in respective sport)
  - Player, Coach, Official or Spectator sanctioned/suspended for any type of abuse of a match official or off field misconduct at a match or event (citing or code of conduct)
- No retrospective recognition shall be made for sanctions or suspensions imposed prior to the implementation of this policy on the 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2014.

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\* This procedure has the effect of a Rule under the Competition Rules issued by the Union and terms used in this procedure and defined in the Competition Rules have the same meaning in this procedure and the rule of interpretation set out in the Competition Rules also apply to this procedure.

## COMMUNICATION

- SA Rugby Union will immediately communicate any sanction or suspension it imposes under any of its codes, rules, regulations or policies as per items listed in recognition of sanction/suspension to any sporting body it holds a reciprocal arrangement with.
- SA Rugby Union will immediately communicate directly to any affected persons/parties of any notification it receives of sanctions or suspensions from any organisations listed under reciprocal arrangements and shall formally confirm imposition of sanction or suspension by SA Rugby Union under this policy.