



CANBERRA REGION
RUGBY LEAGUE

SEASON 2022

STRUCTURE OF THE CRRL

JUDICIARY & DISCIPLINARY STEP PROCESS

GUIDING DOCUMENTS

NRL CODE OF CONDUCT
NSWRL TOUGH LOVE IN LEAGUE (REVISED 2021)
NSWRL CODE OF CONDUCT DISCIPLINARY POINTS INDEX
NSWRL OFFENCES POINTS INDEX
NSWRL REGISTRATION TERMS AND CONDITIONS
*NSWRL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

*Some policies and procedures amended to CRRL conditions

OVERVIEW



All below representatives and processes are **independent** of the CRRL Committee and Staff



The Match Review Committee for both the Judiciary and Disciplinary processes, consists of the Coordinator (Glyn Sargent), and one other panel member (Gary Dunbar). The Match Review Coordinator appears at all Hearings for both Judiciary and Disciplinary cases



The Chairperson of Judiciary Hearings is either one of the following two: Chris Gribble (Solicitor), or Bill Logan (former Chairman of Wide Bay Judiciary)



The Judiciary and Disciplinary Hearing panels both consist of, the Chairperson and two other panel members who are appointed from a pool of eight (8) people sanctioned by the CRRL Committee and operate independently of the CRRL Staff



The Appeals Chairperson is Jonathon Hanton (Solicitor). The Appeals panel involves two different panel members (of the eight above) after the initial Hearing



The Appeals assessment is determined by the CRRL General Manager



The CRRL Staff act as secretariat to the Judiciary and Disciplinary processes



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JUDICIARY PROCESS

1.

Referee dismisses player from the field or cites a player (club citing allowable)

Player is cited

2.

Report must be forwarded (by referee/touch judge or club), by 10am on the first business day post-match to the CRRL (usually Monday)
*based on ACT business days & public holidays

3.

CRRL forwards the reports to the Match Review Committee for assessment. Match Review Committee also has the power to cite a player from viewing an overall case. Match Review Committee determines if charge is to proceed, what the charge is, the grading, then returns the judgement to CRRL

4.

Charge sheet is forwarded to the player's club by 5pm on the first business day after the match

5.

Player chooses to accept the charge

Issue is finalised.
Notice of Plea is returned by 5pm on the second business day post-match

OR

Player chooses to contest the charge.
This response must be on the Notice of Plea form, and sent to the CRRL by 5pm on the second business day post-match

Player (case) goes to the Hearing

If Notice of Plea form is not returned or advised to the CRRL by it's due time, then the charge is deemed accepted

If Hearing is held and player is unsuccessful (found guilty), there will be extra penalty imposed of minimum 100 points = 1 match

6.

A Hearing will be arranged (generally) for the third business day post-match via Zoom. Club needs to have a representative at the Hearing with the player to present their case

Hearing to be conducted by the Independent Judiciary panel, including a Chair and two other members

Player/club should organise any witnesses to support their case, and advise CRRL of their attendance. Player allowed to have solicitor attend the Hearing, but must obtain permission from the Judiciary Chairperson



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JUDICIARY PROCESS CONTINUED

7.

At the Hearing, the Match Review Committee will present their case by calling upon the witnesses (Player or Club representative can question the witnesses). Any evidence such as a video must be provided and shared with all parties where possible prior to Hearing.

Player then presents their case and calls upon their witnesses (who can also be questioned)

Judiciary retires to consider judgement

8.

Outcome of the Hearing advised by either Judiciary Chair or CRRL

If Player/Club accepts outcome - case closed

Player/Club can appeal, only on the grounds as advised on conditions and additionally lodging a \$500 bond

Appeal conditions advised

9.

If appeal conditions are not valid, the club will be advised

Case closed

If appeal conditions upheld, the case will proceed to a new Hearing with different members of the Independent panel

If appeal is unsuccessful, panel can impose extra sanction as above





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DISCIPLINARY PROCESS

IN BREACH OF THE GUIDING DOCUMENTS

