Code of Conduct Cricket Switzerland



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Introduction

The Cricket Switzerland Code of Conduct is a regulation regarding the conduct of players in domestic cricket competitions in Switzerland.

Traditionally, cricket requires "gentlemanly" conduct from all players.

The Code of Conduct is written and enforced by the Cricket Switzerland League Committee

Under the Cricket Switzerland regulations, players may be banned for number of matches, or even banned for a number of years or life.

Cricket Switzerland appoints a league committee prior to the season commencing.

The league committee has the power to set penalties for most offences, the exceptions being the more serious ones.

The following are the general categories of serious offences, carrying the highest penalties:

Types of offences

Gambling on matches (betting).

- Failing to perform in a match in return for a benefit, such as money or goods (match fixing).
- Inducing a player to perform one of the above two actions.
- Failure to report certain incidents relating to match-fixing or gambling.
- Other related offences.

Offences relating to gambling or match-fixing carry penalties of bans from 12 months to life, and Cricket Switzerland will report to the offence to the ICC and Swiss authorities.

Other offences are categorized as Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, or Level 4 as follows:

Performance enhancing substances (drugs & steroids)

- Consuming of a performance enhanced substance ot substances.
- Inducing a player to perform one of the above two actions.
- Failure to report certain incidents relating to the consumption of such substances.
- Other related offences.

Offences relating to the consumption of performance enhancing substances carry penalties of bans from 12 months to life, and Cricket Switzerland will report to the offence to the ICC and Swiss authorities.

On-field offences

These offences are categorized as Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, or Level 4 as follows:

Level 1

- Abuse of equipment clothing, or any part of the ground.
- Showing dissent at an umpire's decision by word or by action.
- Using language or a gesture that is obscene, offensive or insulting.
- Excessive appealing.
- Aggressive pointing towards the pavilion by a member of the fielding side upon the dismissal of a batsman.

Level 2

- Repeat of any Level 1 Offence within 12 months.
- Showing serious dissent at an umpire's decision by word or action.
- Public criticism of a match related incident or match official.
- Inappropriate and deliberate physical contact between players during play.
- Aggressively charging towards an umpire while appealing.
- Deliberate distraction or obstruction on the field.
- Throwing the cricket ball at a player, umpire or official in a dangerous manner.
- Using language or a gesture that is obscene, offensive or of a seriously insulting nature to another player, umpire, referee, team official or spectator.
- Changing the condition of the ball in breach of Law 42.3.
- Any attempt to manipulate a match in regard to the result (In a negative way), net run
 rate, bonus points or otherwise. (Example: Intentionally losing so that a team will face a
 weaker opponent in the Finals.)

Level 3

- Repeat of any Level 2 Offence within 12 months.
- Intimidation of an umpire or referee.
- Threat of assault on a player, team official, or spectator.
- Using language or gestures that offends race, religion, colour, descent or national or ethnic origin.

Level 4

- Repeat for any Level 3 Offence within 12 months.
- Threat of assault on an umpire or referee.
- Physical assault of another player, umpire, referee, official or spectator.
- Any act of violence during play.
- Using language or gestures that seriously offends race, religion, colour, descent or national or ethnic origin.

Penalties for on-field offences

The penalties available for each offence are based on the level. The penalties are as follows:

Level	On-field umpire	League committee
One	Warning & report to league committee	First offence letter of warning
Two	5 penalty runs and report to league committee	First offence a ban for 1 - 2 matches
Three	5 penalty runs, player suspended for 20% of match & report to league committee	First offence a ban for 2 to 4 matches
Four	5 penalty runs, player suspended for the remaining of match & report to league committee	First offence ban for 5 matches to life

Appendix E - Document History

Date	Version	Author	Description
06.06.2014	2014	Alex Mackay	
26.03.2018	2018	Alex Mackay	Insertion of consumption of illegal substances & list of on-field umpire sanctions