



## **AJSBA & NZJSBA Infringement Penalty System**

The following infringement system is set in place for all AJSBA/NZJSBA License holders (including Full, Social and Day licenses), officials, staff, volunteers, crew and spectators. Where a person is in breach of any formal rule or shows behaviour that does not align with current AJSBA/NZJSBA Code of Conduct he/she/they will be recorded under the following Card based system. The infringed person will receive explanation/information/training on how to correct behaviour/infringement and support/education will be offered where needed.

Infringements may include (but are not limited to); Dangerous Riding, Blatant breaches of rules while racing/training (causing accidents, racing infringements, flag breaches, ignoring officials instructions), Altering events / proceedings for personal gains, Unauthorised club representation, un-sportsman/woman like conduct, verbal abuse, fighting, abuse on social media directed at other riders/officials/groups, bringing the sport into disrepute, illegal craft modifications, unpaid fees.

### **Blue Card;**

Blue card will be issued to Riders, officials, staff, volunteers, crew and spectators for minor infringements including (but not limited to): Verbal Outbursts directed at Staff/officials/volunteers, Verbal Outbursts directed at other riders/crew/spectators, Social media misconduct, Breaches of site regulations, Bringing the sport into disrepute, Illegal craft modifications, Unpaid fees.

Being Issued with a Blue Card will indicate a noted warning of the infringement. A second card may suspend you from attending any AJSBA or NZJSBA event for a minimum of three months however: The Event Race Director and/or AJSBA/NZJSBA committee representative reserve the right to immediately restrict a rider from further competition at the event or eject the person from an event, The executive committee may also increase the suspension time taking into account the severity of the offences.

### **Yellow Card;**

Yellow Card will be issued to Riders/Racers for infringements including (but not limited to); Dangerous Riding, Causing a minor incident on the track, Repeated race infringements, Lack of Track knowledge, Cutting across the official Race Course, Lack of General Rules knowledge, Ignoring Flags whilst competing, Ignoring officials instructions/directions, Unsportsmanlike/Unsportswoman like conduct. Multiple Yellow card infringements will result in the issuing of a Red Card.



Being Issued with a Yellow Card will indicate that the Rider/Racer must immediately be removed from racing until he/she has met with officials and clearly understands the severity of the infringement and will not repeat the action/behaviour. The Race Director and/or AJSBA/NZJSBA committee representative reserve the right to immediately restrict a rider from further competition at the event. Multiple Yellow card infringements will result in the issuing of a Red Card.

Yellow cards allowable in a two year window are 2 from the date of the oldest card issued the third card within that window will automatically result in a red card and immediate suspension.

### **Red Card;**

Red Card will be issued to any person for (but not limited to); Dangerous Riding, Malicious intent, Severe Verbal Abuse or Physical Abuse of any other Rider/Staff/Official/Volunteer/Crew/Spectator, behaviour unbecoming of a representative of AJSBA/NZJSBA, repeated offenses under Blue or Yellow Card system.

Being issued with a Red Card will indicate that the Rider/Official/Staff/Volunteer/Crew Spectator will immediately be asked to remove themselves from an event. If the Red Card is issued after multiple Blue/Yellow Card infringements he/she will be banned from attending a set number of events until such time the AJSBA/NZJSBA deem appropriate.

### **Who Can Issue Blue/Yellow/Red Cards?**

Blue, Yellow and Red Cards can be issued by the Event Race Director in consultation with an assistant Race Director, member of the AJSBA/NZJSBA executive committee AND club President/ acting club president that is attending the race meeting or the AJSBA/NZJSBA executive committee (or their appointed Sub Committee) following investigations post race. Cards may be downgraded or upgraded after an infringement is reviewed by the AJSBA/NZJSBA executive committee (or their appointed Sub Committee).

A record of infringements issued will be kept at the AJSBA/NZJSBA office and will be sent to all affiliated clubs. Riders that have been issued a Red Card will be unable to compete at any sanctioned event until cleared by AJSBA/NZJSBA executive committee. Yellow and Blue Card Infringements will stay on a Riders CV for a minimum period of 2 years (multiple infringements within this time will accumulate). This may also be used in decisions made in relation to upgrading or downgrading rider classification

If a Rider is suspended under a Red Card his/her license will be revoked. The suspended rider will not have a license from their country of residency to compete at international events. The IJSBA office will be notified of such suspensions. If Riders hold dual international licensing with UIM, AJSBA/NZJSBA will pass infringement notification and/or suspension notices onto the UIM international Governing Body.



## **Protesting the issue of a Card colour**

If you are presented with a Blue, Yellow or Red Card you can appeal the decision?

Appeals must be made in writing on the official form to AJSBA/NZJSBA within 24 hours of receiving the Infringement Card. Appeals should be supported by witness statements, video evidence, clear concise description of what took place. The AJSBA/NZJSBA will open an investigation and review all relevant information and report back within a reasonable time being 1 calendar month to coincide with monthly meetings unless an express hearing is requested.

Fee \$300

Express Fee \$450

Fees must be made into the AJSBA/NZJSBA bank account within 48 hours of the protest being received

Should you win your money will be refunded and an enquiry will be held into why you were issued the card. Should the executive find you have been the target of a biased or malicious attack and no grounds for a card to be given the issuer will be investigated and possible blue card can issued to that person.