

# CIVL 2024 PLENARY – ANNEXE 25G PROPOSAL BUREAU - UNSPORTING BEHAVIOUR AND OTHER MISCONDUCT

## **Background**

How do deal with complaints received at any time by the Bureau?

Section 7 Common 13.3 states

### Penalty process

Unsporting behaviour or other instances of misconduct may happen before, during or after a competition.

During a competition, penalties may be awarded according to the rules of the event (sporting code, local regulations...).

In serious cases, a report of the alleged unsporting behaviour or other instances of misconduct should be delivered to the CIVL Bureau. The Bureau will review the report and make enquiries. The plaintiff's report should be as precise as possible and be accompanied by the names and addresses of witnesses if any.

The Bureau will decide whether further action is needed.

If appropriate, the Bureau may refer the plaintiff to the appropriate NAC, or may appoint an impartial 3-member Board of Inquiry, or refer directly to the FAI President for further action. As applicable, the CIVL Board of Inquiry will investigate the allegations and evidence. The defendant will be invited to make comments and to provide a defence. The plaintiff will be invited to comment on the defendant's response.

When ready, the Board of Inquiry will recommend to the Bureau a course of action and where applicable a suggested penalty.

The Bureau will then decide on the course of action and whether to impose penalties. The parties will be notified of the Bureau decision and it will be published on CIVL website.

Complaints received by the Bureau show that a more general statement is needed.

#### **Proposal**

Section 7 Common 13.3 is modified as follows.

## Penalty process

Unsporting behaviour or other instances of misconduct may happen in relation with events (competitions and records) or not.

During a competition, **penalties are awarded** according to the rules of the event (sporting code, local regulations...). In serious cases, reports of the alleged unsporting behaviour or other instances of misconduct **can** be delivered to the CIVL Bureau.

Before or after a competition, or for records, or in situations not related to events, reports can be sent to the CIVL President.

The Bureau will review the report and make enquiries. The plaintiff's report should be as precise as possible and be accompanied by the names and addresses of witnesses if any. The Bureau will decide whether further action is needed.

If appropriate, the Bureau may refer the plaintiff to the appropriate NAC, or may appoint an impartial 3-member Board of Inquiry (appointed on a case by case approach), or refer directly to the FAI President for further action.

As applicable, the CIVL Board of Inquiry will investigate the allegations and evidence. The defendant will be invited to make comments and to provide a defence. The plaintiff will be invited to comment on the defendant's response.

When ready, the Board of Inquiry will recommend to the Bureau a course of action and where applicable a suggested penalty.

The Bureau will then decide on the course of action and whether to impose penalties.

The parties will be notified of the Bureau decision and it will be **reported to the plenary**.