



<b>CIVL 2020 PLENARY – ANNEXE 23K</b> <b>BUREAU PROPOSAL – UNSPORTING BEHAVIOUR AND MISCONDUCT</b>
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### **Issue and discussion**

Chapter 6 of the Section 7I Guidelines and Template states:

#### *Participant Incident Policy*

*This policy provides guidelines for censuring the conduct of competition participants with respect to their behaviour towards CIVL representatives, officials or other competitors at CIVL sanctioned meets...*

This covers basically only unsporting behaviour.

More general rules or guidelines are needed so other misconduct can be penalised.

They should be in Section 7 Common.

### **Proposal**

Rewrite Chapter 6 as follow.

Move it in Section 7 Common. It becomes Chapter 12.

Current Chapter 12 and 13 becomes 13 and 14.

## **Section 7 Common – Chapter 12 – Unsporting behaviour and misconduct**

This Chapter provides rules and guidelines for penalising when necessary, the misconduct of participants before, during or after CIVL First and Second Category events.

These participants are:

- Competitors, team leaders, ground crews, accompanying persons...
- CIVL representatives: stewards, jurors, judges, technical delegates...
- Members of the event organisation.
- Members of teams who organise circuits or tours of events (World Cups, Asian Cups...)

### **Unsporting behaviour**

Unsporting behaviour is deemed as where a person or team violates the sport's generally accepted rules of sportsmanship and participant conduct. Typical (but not limited to) examples are:

Competitors, their team leaders or members may be annoyed by rulings or other decisions that adversely affect one or more pilots. While, it is reasonable to expect disagreement or argument on the part of these individuals, abusive or taunting language, excessively loud delivery, physical abuse, threats, etc. are not acceptable.

Rules in some competition disciplines may require participants to fulfil certain requirements like reporting back, bringing back live-trackers, etc. Not complying with these requirements can be considered as unsporting behaviour.

### **Other misconduct**

Other types of misconduct that are deemed unacceptable:

- Not following mandatory rules
- Abusive activity on social media
- False accusations, threats
- Bringing the sport, CIVL or the FAI into disrepute
- ...

### **Penalising 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 if further action is needed or not.
- If appropriate, the Bureau may refer the plaintiff to the appropriate NAC or to the FAI President, or may appoint an impartial 3-member Board of Inquiry.
- The Board of Inquiry will investigate the allegations and evidence. The defendant will be invited to make comments and to provide their 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.

### **Penalties**

During an event:

Depending on the seriousness of the offence, this may typically comprise:

- A Warning
- A points or time penalty or similar
- Disqualification or exclusion from the event.

Any penalty and the reasons for its award should be publicised to other participants.

After an event:

Penalties imposed by the CIVL Bureau may be:

- Letter of reprimand
- Request for a letter of apology
- Suspension or life ban for participating in CIVL events
- Reduction of individual or team score
- Not ranking the event
- Exclusion from the management of or being an official at CIVL events

CIVL will make public the findings of the Board of Inquiry subject to any appeal.

### **Appeals**

The treatment of appeals is defined in the General Section of the Sporting Code 6.5 and 6.6.