



BRITISH BASEBALL FEDERATION

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NOTICE OF PENALTY

British Baseball Federation (BBF) reference: Incident Sunday 12 September 2021 – London Mustangs vs Brighton Brewers

Date: 03/11/2021

Aditya Gillette
London Mets Baseball Club

1. INCIDENT

1.1. Ejection from the Single A Final on 12th September 2021.

SUMMARY OF INCIDENT

2.1. You were playing for London Mustangs when you were called out on strikes by the umpire, David Jones.

2.2 You reacted to the call by throwing your bat down and mumbling as you walked back to your dugout.

2.3 The umpire ejected you for throwing equipment in reaction to his call.

3. ENFORCEMENT PROCESS

3.1. It has been determined that I can deal with this incident as League Commissioner following the Disciplinary Table in the BBF Handbook 2021.

3.2. You have the right to respond to my initial findings within seven days of the date of this notice. If you need any further time to respond please do so before the seven-day period has expired.

3.3. Appendix 1 to this Notice is the umpire's report for your reference.

4. DISCIPLINARY CONSEQUENCE

4.1. The consequence considered after reviewing the umpire's report and as it is your first offence, is a £30 fine. This is detailed in the Seniors' Handbook.

4.2 **There is a shortage of umpires in British Baseball. Players, coaches, and team managers should always treat umpires with respect, regardless of their opinion on the umpire's performance in the game. Please see the 'NO EXCUSE TO ABUSE' section on our website here:**

http://britishbaseballfederation.leaguerepublic.com/l/page/how_to_treat_an_official.html

4.3 Please note that in this instance you would usually receive a suspension for not leaving the field/dugout/sidelines. However, as the umpire can not definitely give an answer as to where you were after your ejection, I am not enforcing said suspension. For future reference, after a participant is ejected, they must leave the field/dugout/sidelines and shouldn't be seen for the rest of the game.

5. APPEAL

5.1. You have the right to appeal this decision before the date of your next scheduled game.

5.2. Any appeal must be made in writing by sending your email to christian.carter@britishbaseball.org and be based on one or more of the following grounds:

- based on incorrect factual findings
- wrongly identified infringements
- the penalty is excessive
- there has been a serious failure to follow the enforcement process and it is unfair or unjust to allow this notice to stand.



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5.3 Under the appeal process, different factual findings may be discovered and as a result the penalty determined may change. Any finding showing an appeal was brought without any prospect of success may be taken into account in determining any change to the penalty.

6. SUMMARY

6.1. If you accept the penalty, please confirm this by replying to the email to which this Notice was attached, and you will be provided with bank details to pay the fine.

6.2. If you wish to appeal, please do so before 27.11.2021

Regards,

Christian Carter
BBF Seniors Leagues Commissioner

Appendix One – Umpire’s Ejection Report

Date of incident	Time of incident	Game details (please specify league, home and away teams, game 1/2 of doubleheader, field etc)	Who was ejected and from which team? (name, position, jersey number)	What was the reason for ejection?	Did the person immediately leave the field? (please describe any post-ejection conduct that you feel the Technical Committee should be aware of)	On a scale of 1-5, how would you rate the incident?
9/12/2021	6:30:00 PM	BBF A-League 2021 Final. Brighton Brewers (Home Team) vs London Mustangs (Away Team).	Aditya Gillette (Roster number 13), London Mustangs	In the top of the 6th inning, approx. 18:30—18:45 I called a third strike on Mr Gillette, who did not swing at the pitch. He immediately threw his bat down to the ground and muttered something (possible swearing, but not very audibly) as he turned from the plate. The pitch was unquestionably a strike 'down the middle', and Base Umpire José Chávez, in Position C with runners on base at the time, commented after the inning that he "Could not believe he didn't swing at that. It was right down the middle." I stepped away from my position at the plate and faced the London dugout with their players and Manager, and audibly but without shouting said, "This players is no longer in this	To my knowledge, with no clubhouse or locker room to go to, Mr Gillette stayed in the vicinity, either in the dugout or on the sidelines. But I had work to do, so ignored that area. There was no further word or comment from the direction of Mr Gillette, who I assume	1



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				ball game," also giving the conventional sign with my right arm at a 45-degree angle and index finger extended. There was no further questioning of my call. As I resumed my position for the next batter, the scorekeeper asked me, "Did you eject him?" and I replied, "Yes". So he recorded it.	had accepted the situation. After the third out, when the London team took the field for the bottom of the 6th inning, Mr Gillette was replaced in right field by another London player.
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