



BRITISH BASEBALL FEDERATION

The National Governing Body of Baseball

FINAL ENFORCEMENT NOTICE:

To: Luke Foley, Essex Redbacks Baseball Club

British Baseball Federation (BBF) reference: Incident Sunday 22nd May 2022 – Milton Keynes Bucks vs Essex Redbacks
Date: 13/06/2022

1. INCIDENT

1.1. Ejection from game two of a Triple A Regular Season doubleheader on 22nd May 2022.

2. SUMMARY OF INCIDENT

2.1. You were batting for Essex Redbacks when you hit a ground ball back to the pitcher.

2.2. Whilst running to first base, you turned your head, pointed in the direction of the Home Plate umpire, and shouted "what the f*ck is wrong with this f*cking umpire".

2.3. The game was livestreamed on YouTube by Milton Keynes and this incident can be seen in the livestream.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HzLYOwiL2ko>

3. ENFORCEMENT PROCESS

3.1. The [BBF Enforcement Process](#) has been followed.

3.2. You have been provided with the umpire's report of the incident.

3.3. Your Club replied to the Notice of Incident with a report on the incident, claiming that the ejection was unjust.

3.4. Following this claim, we asked the BBF Umpire Director to review the video footage confirm if the actions were an ejectable offence. The Umpire Director confirmed that this incident can warrant an ejection.

4. DISCIPLINARY CONSEQUENCE

4.1. As it is your **first offence** this season, the consequence determined is a **£30 fine**. This is detailed in the Seniors' Handbook as the mandatory fine for a first offence.

4.2. There is no suspension for this incident, as detailed in item 14 in the disciplinary matrix in the BBF Handbook.

5. APPEAL

5.1. You have the right to appeal this decision (**£50 fee**) before the date of your next scheduled game.

5.2. Any appeal must be made in writing by sending your email to senior.leagues@britishbaseball.org.uk 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.

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 considered 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 the date of your next scheduled game as explained in 5. above.

6.3. If you do not reply before the date of your next scheduled game, either in accordance with 6.1 or 6.2 above, it will be deemed you have accepted the penalty.

Kind regards,
British Baseball Federation