BRITISH BASEBALL FEDERATION



The National Governing Body of Baseball

FINAL ENFORCEMENT NOTICE:

To: Craig Perry, Croydon Pirates Baseball Club

British Baseball Federation (BBF) reference: Incident Sunday 14th August 2022 – AA Game 2- Croydon Pirates @ Guildford Mavericks

Date: 07/09/2022

1. INCIDENT

1.1. Ejection during a AA Regular Season game on 14th August 2022.

SUMMARY OF INCIDENT

2.1. You were representing Croydon Pirates as a bench player/base coach during the game.

2.2. In the bottom of the 3rd inning, the umpire called a balk on the Croydon pitcher.

2.3. Many Croydon players began arguing the call.

2.4. You came off your seat in the dugout area and shouted to the umpire, claiming that there was no balk and questioning the call.

2.5. The umpire told you that he has made his call. You then demanded to know why. The umpire explained why.

2.6. You continued to argue with the umpire's judgement call in an aggressive manner following the explanation he provided to you.

2.7. You called the umpire an abusive name, publicly declared that the umpire's calls and management of the game was the worst you had ever seen, and publicly declared that the umpire was making rules up as he went along.

2.8. You also declared that the umpire could not eject you, and encouraged the umpire to do so.

2.9. The umpire then ejected you.

2.10. You refused to leave the dugout and your chair, stating "I'm not going anywhere, I'm not moving".

2.11. You refused to give the umpire your surname when asked.

2.12. The Croydon Pirates Manager told you to leave.

2.13. It took you more than five minutes to collect your gear and you continued to argue with the umpire when he asked you to leave again.

2.14. You slowly walked down the third baseline to a spot behind the outfield fence in center field, which you positioned there and sat down.

2.15. The umpire told the Croydon manager that he wanted you completely off the field, but again, you refused to go.

2.16. After a Croydon player jogged out to you and conversed with you, you decided to leave outside of the field to the car park.

3. ENFORCEMENT PROCESS

3.1. The <u>BBF Enforcement Process</u> has been followed.

3.2. You have been provided with the umpire's report, the home team manager's report, and the away team manager's report.

3.3. You replied to the Notice of Incident accepting our findings and requested for bank details to pay your fine.

4. DISCIPLINARY CONSEQUENCE

4.2. As it is your **first offence** this season, the consequence determined is **a £30 fine and a two (2) game suspension.** This is detailed in the Seniors' Handbook as the mandatory fine for a first offence and the suspension is for actions detailed in ID 17 and ID 22 of the disciplinary matrix.



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5. APPEAL

5.1. Your club appealed this enforcement action originally carried out by Chris Carter and the appeal was reviewed by Joe O'Connell.

5.2. As communicated already, the verdict remains unchanged.

6. SUMMARY

6.1 You have already appealed this Enforcement Notice and thus no further appeals are permitted.

6.2. Bank details have been provided to you in the email this Notice was attached to.

Kind regards, British Baseball Federation