# **BRITISH BASEBALL FEDERATION**



The National Governing Body of Baseball

### FINAL ENFORCEMENT NOTICE:

To: Humberto Goncalves, Richmond Baseball Club

British Baseball Federation (BBF) reference: Incident Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2022 – AAA Semi Final – Richmond Knights vs London Metros

Date: 23/10/2022

## **1. INCIDENT**

1.1. Ejection during a AAA Post-Season game on 4<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

#### SUMMARY OF INCIDENT

- 2.1. You were managing the Richmond Knights in this game.
- 2.2. The umpire called a balk on the Richmond Pitcher.
- 2.3. You argued the balk call.
- 2.4. You attempted to show up the umpire and question the umpire's integrity.
- 2.5. You were ejected from the game.

2.6. You did not leave the dugout area following your ejection and remained in uniform until you were later ushered off by your coaching staff.

#### **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.
- 3.3. You did not reply to the Notice of Incident so we have had no report or evidence provided by yourself.

## 4. DISCIPLINARY CONSEQUENCE

4.1. Initially, as this was your **first offence** this season, the consequence determined was **a £30 fine and a one (1) 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 16 and ID 22 of the disciplinary matrix.

4.2. However, you did not reply to us, and did not pay your fine within the time period given to you (and still have not done so), and **therefore we have increased the fine to £50**, and this is now the joint responsibility of you and your club for this fine to be paid no later than 20<sup>th</sup> November 2022.

4.3. If you/your club fail to pay the new fine on time, the fine will be increased from £50 to £100 and the suspension will be increased from one (1) to two (2) games. Other penalties may apply.

## 5. APPEAL

5.1. Your right to appeal ended on 19th October 2022.

## 6. SUMMARY

6.1. Your suspension will commence from the date within the next season that you are rostered to a team.
6.2. If you/your club fail to pay the new fine before 20<sup>th</sup> November 2022, the fine will be increased from £50 to £100 and the suspension will be increased from one (1) to two (2) games. Other penalties may apply.

Kind regards, British Baseball Federation