

<b>Competition</b>			
<b>Date</b>			
<b>Match</b>		<b>vs</b>	
<b>Player's Name</b>		<b>Club</b>	
<b>Details of Offence</b>			
<b>Umpire</b>		<b>Date</b>	
<b>Colleague</b>			

Please send this report by email to [disciplinary@ulsterhockey.com](mailto:disciplinary@ulsterhockey.com) within 48 hrs of the match

# **GUIDANCE ON THE COMPLETION OF A RED CARD / MATCHDAY MISCONDUCT REPORT FORM**

The following information should be included in the description of the Red Card incident (including where two Yellow Cards incidents have led to a Red Card) and for any Matchday Misconduct Offences that have occurred before or after the match.

- The stage of the game, e.g. "the xth minute of the match" and the score at the time.
- Whereabouts on the pitch it occurred, and how far away from reporting umpire.
- Did anything lead up to this incident, or was it 'out of the blue'?
- Was this a "straight red" card offence? Had the offender been green or yellow-carded before the incident? If so, what for?
- If the Red Card results from two Yellow Cards, does this report relate to the first or second Yellow Card?
- If the offence is one of "violence used" - was the victim injured? What was the injury? Did the victim require medical treatment? On or off the pitch? How much time elapsed from the incident until the restart?
- Particular care should be taken with incidents involving the striking of an opponent – how was the player struck? Was the offence deliberate or accidental but extremely reckless? On what part of the body was the player struck? Was the injured player able to continue playing?
- If indecent or abusive words were used, they should always be reported in full having been recorded at the time of the incident. The description should not be restricted to a general statement, provide specific details of what was said, and to who it was said.
- Did the offender leave the pitch and surrounding area immediately and without dissent, or did misbehaviour continue? Quote exact words used and / or describe any gestures made.
- Was the carded or reported player the team captain?

The above advice and guidance is intended to help the umpire record an accurate account of the event. A Red Card is shown for a serious offence, or an accumulation of offences, and therefore is a major incident in the match.

Do not be put off from awarding a Red Card or submitting a Matchday Misconduct Report where the circumstances merit it.