

CONSTITUENT BODY SHORT JUDGMENT FORM

Constituent Body	Cumbria	
Case number	18/1718	Select: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Red Card <input type="checkbox"/> Citing <input type="checkbox"/> Other

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PARTICULARS OF OFFENCE

Player's surname	Burns	Date of birth	31/03/1986
Forename(s)	Russell	RFU ID #	1203825
Club name	St Benedicts	Date of match	27/01/2018
Offence & Law charged <small>(e.g. 10.4(a) strike with head)</small>	10.4(m) - 2 yellow cards	Plea	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Admitted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Admitted
Home team	Douglas (Isle of Man)	Away team	St Benedict's
Home team level*	1st xv	Away team level*	1st xv

***TEAM LEVEL REFERS TO 1ST XV, 2ND XV, COLTS, VETS, etc NOT WHOLE CLUB LEVEL**

HEARING DETAILS

Hearing date	25/02/2018	Hearing venue	Conference Call
Chairman	M J Neal	Secretary	D Morton
Panel member 1	A Lynch	Panel member 2	N.Rimmer
Decision	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proven <input type="checkbox"/> Not Proven		

CASE SUMMARY & SANCTION

NOTE: UNDER RFU REGULATION 19.5.2, PLAYERS ORDERED OFF ARE PROVISIONALLY SUSPENDED PENDING THE HEARING OF THEIR CASE, SUCH SUSPENSION SHOULD BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION WHEN SANCTIONING

Total sanction	Sending Off Sufficient	Entry Point	Click here to enter text.
Banned from	Click here to enter text.	Banned to	
Ban split from	Click here to enter text.	Ban split to	Click here to enter text.
Free to play	Sunday 28 th Jan 2018	Costs	£25 plus VAT

NOTE: SANCTION IN MATCHES FOR AGE GRADE ONLY

NOTE: FOR SENDING OFF SUFFICIENT STATE UNDER TOTAL SANCTION

Signature (Chairman)	Click here to enter text.	Date	Click here to enter text.
Signature (Secretary)	Click here to enter text.	Date entered to GMS	Click here to enter text.

PLEASE TICK APPROPRIATE BOX: Intentional/deliberate 19.11.8(a) Reckless 19.11.8(b)

Gravity of player's actions 19.11.8(c)		Nature of actions 19.11.8(d)	
Two Yellow Cards		.First Yellow was for entering a ruck at the side and then handling the ball after the referee had given a team warning, second yellow was for a high tackle.	
Existence of provocation 19.11.8(e)		Whether player retaliated 19.11.8(f)	
None		N/a	
Self-defence 19.11.8(g)		Effect on victim 19.11.8(h)	
n/a		None	
Effect on match 19.11.8(i)		Vulnerability of victim 19.11.8(j)	
None		The tackle started below the shoulders and rode up around the neck area.	
Level of participation/premeditation 19.11.8(k)		Conduct completed/attempted 19.11.8(L)	
High tackle was not intentional, opponent slipped as tackle was attempted		Completed	
Other features of player's conduct 19.11.8(m)			
Pleaded guilty by letter			
Entry point number	Top end* Enter here	Mid-Range	Low End

NOTE: STATE NUMBER OF WEEKS OR MATCHES ENTRY POINT FOR OFFENCE – ENTRY POINT IN MATCHES FOR AGE GRADE ONLY

*If top end, the Panel should identify an entry point between the top end and the maximum sanction (19.11.9) as set out in Appendix 2

In making the above assessment, the Panel should consider the RFU guidance (Note 2) set out in Appendix 5 (page 366) to Regulation 19. Significant weight should be given to RFU regulation 19.11.8(a), 19.11.8(h) and 19.11.8(i).

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AGGRAVATING FACTORS (REGULATION 19.11.10)

Player's status as an offender of the Laws of the game 19.11.10(a)

Only Previous One Week for tripping in 2012

Need for deterrent 19.11.10(b)

Any other off-field aggravating factors 19.11.10(c)

None

Number added on:

None

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Acknowledgement of guilt 19.11.11(a)	Player's disciplinary record/good character 19.11.11(b)
Yes, by letter to panel	Only Previous. a One Week Suspension in 2012 for tripping
Youth & inexperience of player 19.11.11(c)	Conduct prior to and at hearing 19.11.11(d)
n/a	Pleaded guilty by letter
Remorse & timing of remorse 19.11.11(e)	Other off-field mitigation 19.11.11(f)
Non mentioned by referee in his report	None

Number deducted:

NOTE: SUBJECT TO REGULATION 19.11.13, A DISCIPLINARY PANEL CANNOT APPLY A GREATER REDUCTION THAN 50% OF THE RELEVANT ENTRY POINT SUSPENSION

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ANY OTHER INFORMATION

The player went on holiday immediately after the match. His Club reported the Sending Off in the correct timescale and the player returned his paperwork on his return from holiday.