

ECB ACO Law 42 Guidance - Flow Chart

You consider that the conduct of a player is unacceptable:

Immediately Call & Signal 'Dead ball'
(Unless this disadvantages the non-offending team, in which case wait until the ball is dead)

Collect the ball from the fielding team

Consult colleague - Decide whether misconduct has occurred, if so at what Level and decide upon sanctions.

Call 'Time'

Summon the player's captain.

In the case of the batting side the captain should be summoned on to the field.

Inform him that an **offence has taken place**, at what Level and what the **sanction** will be.

Apply sanctions as over page.

Record what happened and **what actions were taken**.

As soon as its **practicable** call 'Play' and resume.

Report to **offending team management** and **Governing Body** whatever Level the offence.

ECB ACO Law 42 Guidance - Sanctions

Level 1 - No previous offence at any Level
First & final warning to all members of that team for the rest of the match. Warn captain that any further L1 offence will result in 5 penalty runs

Level 1 - Following any previous offence
Award 5 penalty runs
Warn captain that any further L1 offence will result in 5 penalty runs

Level 2
Award 5 penalty runs.
Warn captain that any further L1 offence will result in 5 penalty runs

Level 3
Direct captain to remove the offending player immediately from the field in accordance with the following:

- Match where innings are not limited to a number of overs - 10 overs
 - Match where innings are limited to a number of overs - 1/5 of allocated overs at the start of the innings (a part over count as a full over)
 - No substitute allowed for a suspended fielder
 - Suspended batsman may only resume at the fall of a wicket
 - If no batsman is available at the fall of a wicket during a suspension, innings is complete
 - Any overs remaining from a suspension are carried forward to the next innings
 - Any balls remaining in an over (either at the time of suspension or the end of an innings) do not count towards a suspension
- Warn captain that any further L1 offence will result in 5 penalty runs
Award 5 penalty runs
Signal Level 3 penalty to scorers

Level 4
Direct the captain to remove the offending player immediately for the remainder of the match
No substitute allowed for a fielder
Warn captain that any further L1 offence will result in 5 penalty runs
Award 5 penalty runs
Signal Level 4 penalty to scorers

ECB ACO Law 42 Guidance - Actions Constituting Offences

- Level 1**
- Wilfully mistreating any part of the cricket ground, equipment
 - or implements used in the match
 - Showing dissent at an umpire's decision by word or action
 - Using language that, in the circumstances, is obscene, offensive or insulting
 - Making an obscene gesture
 - Appealing excessively
 - Advancing towards an umpire in an aggressive manner when appealing
 - Any other misconduct, the nature of which is, in the opinion of the umpires, equivalent to a Level 1 offence

- Level 2**
- Showing serious dissent at an umpire's decision by word or action
 - Making inappropriate and deliberate physical contact with another player
 - Throwing the ball at a player, umpire or other person in an inappropriate and dangerous manner
 - Using language or gesture to another player, umpire, team official or spectator that, in the circumstances, is obscene or of a serious insulting nature
 - Any other misconduct, the nature of which is, in the opinion of the umpires, equivalent to a Level 2 offence

- Level 3**
- Intimidating an umpire by language or gesture
 - Threatening to assault a player or any other person except an umpire

- Level 4**
- Threatening to assault an umpire
 - Making inappropriate and deliberate physical contact with an umpire
 - Physically assaulting a player or any other person
 - Committing any other act of violence