



## QUEENSLAND RUGBY REFEREES ASSOCIATION

(BRISBANE) INC.

GPO Box 2645

Brisbane QLD 4001

T: 0409 192 396

E: [admin@qrra.com.au](mailto:admin@qrra.com.au)

W: [www.qrra.com.au](http://www.qrra.com.au)

### QRRRA INCIDENT REPORT PROCEDURES

#### References

**A:** Australian Rugby Union Code of Conduct By-Laws

**B:** ARU Expectations of Behaviour Guidelines

**C:** Policy No: QRU0015 – Breach of code of conduct procedures

By far the majority of rugby matches are played in accordance with References A and B, which promote the enjoyment of rugby through mutual respect for everyone involved in the game, including players, coaches, match officials and spectators. Rugby is a competitive contact sport, and while tempers will occasionally flare, fortunately the vast majority of incidents resolve themselves, apologies are made if necessary, and everyone continues to enjoy the game.

Occasionally incidents do occur which are not in keeping with the concept of mutual respect for all participants. Law 10.4 (Dangerous Play and Misconduct), subsection (s), provides referees with a mechanism to deal with such incidents that occur on the field. Very occasionally, behaviour occurs off-field which is not in accordance with either the ARU Code of Conduct By-Laws or the ARU Expectations of Behaviour Guidelines, and Reference C provides the authority for QRRRA appointed referees to report such incidents.

If a referee experiences or witnesses an incident which is a breach of these policies, and which cannot be sensibly resolved at the time, it should immediately be reported to the QRRRA. This can be done by completing a QRRRA Incident Report Form, which can be obtained from the QRRRA Admin Officer at [admin@qrra.com.au](mailto:admin@qrra.com.au). Information included in the form should be as detailed as possible, to maximise the likelihood that appropriate action can be taken. Completed forms should also be returned to [admin@qrra.com.au](mailto:admin@qrra.com.au) as soon as possible after the incident has occurred. The referee will then be kept informed of the progress and outcome of any action taken.

Both the QRRRA and QRU take the welfare of referees very seriously. If referees require information or advice on the policies and procedures concerning breaches of the ARU Code of Conduct, please contact the QRRRA's Administration Officer at [admin@qrra.com.au](mailto:admin@qrra.com.au), or on 0409 192 396.

N. LESEBERG  
Administration Officer  
QRRRA

26 Apr 16