RFU SHORT JUDGMENT FORM 3 YELLOW CARDS



| Club's Level | 1 | Competition | Gallagher Premiership |
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| Match No 1 | London Irish v Sale Sharks | Date of Match 1 | 26/09/2021 |
| Match No 2 | Sale Sharks v Harlequins | Date of Match 2 | 15/10/2021 |
| Match No 3 | Wasps v Sale Sharks | Date of Match 3 | 21/05/2022 |

| Particulars of Offence | | | | |
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| Player's Surname | Ross | Forename(s) | Jonathon | |
| Club name | Sale Sharks RFC | Type of Offence | 3 foul play yellow cards | |
| Date of Birth | 27/10/1990 | RFU ID No. | 947121 | |
| Sanction | 1 week suspension 🛛 2 week suspensio | on 3 week suspens | ion Other length of suspension | |

| Hearing Details | | | |
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| Hearing Date | 08/06/2022 | Single Judicial Officer | Charles Cuthbert |
| Hearing Venue | Papers only | Panel Secretary | Rebecca Morgan |

| Details of Yellow Cards | | | | |
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| Yellow Card Number 1 | 9.14 - Tackling opponent without | Date | 26/09/2021 | |
| In the 65th minute of the second half, the London Irish scrum half passed the ball behind the back of the London Irish 21. The Sale number 8 travelled approximately 8 metres and tackled the London Irish 21 who never had the ball. I blew my whistle and issued a yellow card. Wayne Barnes | | | | |
| Yellow Card Number 2 | 9.13 - Dangerous Tackle | Date | 15/10/2021 | |
| Q15 caught a ball from a kick. He ran towards the half-way. He was tackled by Sale 6. The arm of Sale 6 appeared to ricochet off the shoulder of Q15 and make contact with the neck. I therefore gave a penalty. The TMO Ian Tempest then came into me to say that the contact was direct. I therefore reviewed the incident formally and agreed that contact was direct but not high danger and therefore issued a YC. Tom Foley | | | | |
| Yellow Card Number 3 | 9.28 - Players must respect the a | Date | 21/05/2022 | |
| In the process of awarding a Wasps try and few Sale players were questioning me as to whether the player had scored. When looking a the floor where there were a number of players I observed Jonathan Ross make eye contact with myself and tell me 'that is bollocks'. As a result I issued him a YC. When he entered the field he apologised for his choice of words. Ian Tempest | | | | |



Summary of any mitigating and aggravating features:

The Club accepted the charge. By way of mitigation, the Club acknowledged that whilst the Player has previously been suspended for 1 week for totting up 3YC (in the 20-21 season) he is regularly amongst the competition top tackling stats.

The Player had apologised to the Referee for his comment on the 21 May 2022.

The Player does not have the benefit of youth or inexperience given his significant playing experience. Whilst he has apologised he does not have the benefit of a completely clear record.

In the circumstances, a 1 week sanction is imposed.

Number of weeks allowed in mitigation 0 Number of weeks added on

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Sanction

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

| Total sanction | 1 week |
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| Date sanction commences | 24/05/2022 |
| Date sanction concludes | 06/06/2022 |
| Date free to play | 07/06/2022 |
| Final date to lodge appeal | 09/06/2022 |
| Costs | £250 |

| Meaningful games to be missed | | |
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| 04.06 v Bristol | | |
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| Signature of JO | Charles Cuthbert | Date | 09/06/2022 |
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NOTE: YOU HAVE THE RIGHT OF APPEAL AGAINST THIS DECISION AS SET OUT IN REGULATION 19.12 OF THE DISCIPLINARY REGULATIONS. YOUR ATTENTION IS SPECIFICALLY DRAWN TO THE TIME LIMIT AND DIRECTIONS/REOUIREMENTS RELATING TO AN APPEAL SET OUT IN REGULATION 19.12.9

ANY PERSON SUSPENDED UNDER THESE REGULATIONS IS REMINDED THAT UNDER RFU REGULATION 19.11.16 THE SUSPENDED PERSON MAY NOT PLAY THE GAME (OR ANY FORM THEREOF) OR BE INVOLVED IN ANY ON-FIELD MATCH DAY ACTIVITIES ANYWHERE WHICH INCLUDES (BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO) ACTING AS WATER CARRIER/ RUNNING ON A TEE ETC

