

# RFU SHORT JUDGMENT FORM 2 YELLOW CARDS



Match	Leicester Tigers RFC	Vs	Exeter Chiefs RFC
Club's Level	1	Competition	Gallagher Premiership
Date of Match	16/04/2023	Match Venue	Welford Road

Particulars of Offence			
Player's Surname	Woodburn	Date of Birth	18/11/1991
Forename(s)	Oliver	Plea	Admitted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Admitted <input type="checkbox"/>
Club name	Exeter Chiefs	RFU ID No.	320547
Type of Offence	2 x Foul play yellow card <input type="checkbox"/>	1 x Foul play, 1 x Technical yellow card <input type="checkbox"/>	2 x Technical yellow cards <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Law 9 Offence	<b>Law 9.27 - 2 Yellow cards</b>		
Sanction	Sending off sufficient <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	One week suspension	<input type="checkbox"/>

Hearing Details	
Hearing Date	17/04/2023
Hearing venue	Papers only
Single Judicial Officer	Matthew Weaver KC
Panel Secretary	Rebecca Morgan-Scott

## Summary of Essential Elements of Referee Report:

Yellow Card 1 - 9.7a A player must not intentionally infringe any law of the game.

E11 goes to intercept a L pass and goes one handed and has no chance of regathering. YC given live with no review.

Yellow Card 2 - 9.7a A player must not intentionally infringe any law of the game.

L14 going into score a try and has been tackled by E15. The tackle is complete and as L14 slides in to score E11 goes off his feet, in at the side and goes onto L14 which moves his momentum towards the touchline and he goes into touch. We check touch on the screen and see E11 under law 13.3 and 13.4 has committed an offence. We therefore give him a 2nd yellow cards and issue a red card.

## Summary of any mitigating and aggravating features

Whilst no mitigation can be applied to an entry point of sending off sufficient, the Club provided the following note in respect of the Player,

"He fully understood the reason for the cards being given and accepted them immediately. He approached Mr Ashton at the time and apologised and again after the game. He accepts the charge against him.

Olly has played professional rugby for 13 years 8 of those at Exeter. He has an exemplary playing record with no red cards having been issued and no citations. His last yellow card was last season for a technical offence. He has never received a yellow card for foul play. He is a highly regarded and popular player and one of the most senior in the squad."

Would it have been possible to allow mitigation, the Player would have been entitled to the maximum permitted. In the circumstances however, the sanction remains sending off sufficient. There are no aggravating features.

Number of weeks allowed in mitigation

0

Number of weeks added on

0

## 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	Sending off Sufficient
Date sanction commences	
Date sanction concludes	
Date free to play	17/04/2023
Final date to lodge appeal	19/04/2023
Costs	£250

Sending off sufficient



Signature of JO

Matthew Weaver KC

Date

18/04/2023

**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/REQUIREMENTS 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