



## London Society of Rugby Football Union Referees

### Policy for Society held information resulting from a match

*(Referee Red Card reports, Referee notes on possible citing, Society held videos, Match Observers reports on referees)*

#### Following a Red Card (RC):

- Referee report goes **via the Society** to the CB (within 48 hours, **not** to either club – who receive it via the CB)
- Video made by LSRFUR. This will have been mentioned on the RC report. If requested by the CB, the Society DS/Regional Discipline team will review the video and arrange for a relevant short clip to go to the CB (only). The referee will be told the video has gone to the CB.
- Match Observer reports. These are never shared with CB or clubs.

#### NOTES:

- Following a RC, all contact with the referee from club or CB must be via the Society DS/Regional Discipline Team. The only contact allowed will be between CB and the referee would be practical details relating to venue/time (etc.) of any CB Disciplinary Panel.
- It would be inappropriate for a referee to attend any internal club hearing. Referees requested to attend a CB Disciplinary Panel will be offered Society support by a LSRFUR member also attending.
- All written reports are made independent of any video.

#### Possible Citing/Actual citing/Serious injury

- Referees involved in any of these should make notes as soon as possible after they hear about a citing or think that there might be a possible citing, and submit to Regional Discipline Team.
- CB requests for referee's notes and LSRFUR sourced video will be acted on in the same way as a RC but **only on request** from the CB and only after the club has made a formal citing.
- Match Observer reports: as with RCs.
- Clubs will need to liaise with CB for any Society sourced information.
- If a club mentions a possible citing in the clubhouse after the match then it is inappropriate for the referee to discuss any such incident. The referee will have given what he/she has seen and that is all there is to it. Referees must forward any subsequent contacts from clubs via email/phone to their Regional Discipline Team.
- Referees involved in clubs where there is a citing would have access via LSRFUR to the video library. Any such referee must not share these videos within their club.

#### NOTES:

- Citings should be made within 14 days but there can be follow-up much later when serious injury.
- Information gathering/storing near the time of the incident is essential.
- Citings are rare and not often successful (usually because there is a lack of information available).