

Legends League Specific Match Rules

Slide Tackles

No Slide Tackles are allowed (including Goalkeepers). A Slide Tackle occurs when two or more players are challenging for the ball and any of them “slide” for the ball. Any challenge not made on two feet is to be considered a Slide Tackle. There must be a slide AND a tackle before the challenge can be penalised, but there does not have to be contact between the players.

A player is considered to be challenging an opponent for the ball if the opponent is within a radius of **one (1) metre** of the player. These rules apply to a goalkeeper who chooses to play or attempts to challenge for the ball with his feet. They do NOT apply to a goalkeeper playing or attempting to play the ball with his hands.

Tackling from Behind

No tackling from behind is allowed.

Cautionable Offences (Yellow Cards)

If a player commits a Cautionable Offence (those listed in the Football Brisbane Disciplinary Policy as well as a slide tackle or a tackle from behind), then they must spend 10 minutes in the “sin bin” (off the field), with a replacement player permitted to take the field.

Clarifications re above

A Direct Free Kick is to be awarded for a Slide Tackle (as defined above) whether or not there is contact, or for a Tackle from Behind.

A player committing either of these offences is to be cautioned (Y1) and then must leave the field of play (may be replaced) and sit out of the match for 10 minutes of playing time (this time can be either side of half-time break). The player may remain in the Technical Area.

Should the team of a “sin-binned” player not have a replacement available, they play a player down for the 10 minutes.

A “sin-binned” player who is returning to the field after the 10 minute penalty must follow the same procedure as an interchange.

However, should the team only have 10 players on the field at the time the 10 minutes is up, the referee may allow the player to return without waiting for a stoppage in play (as per injured players returning).

Should a team be reduced to 6 players due to a “sin-binning”, then the match will continue.