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These reports have been redacted, condensed, and edited for clarity and to protect the identity of the officials, players, coaches, and teams involved in them. This document is to simply demonstrate to the soccer community types of behavior being reported by officials on fields in Minnesota.

DATE OF CONTEST: 10/8/2022, 3:30 pm

AGE/GENDER: U14 Boys

Incident Type(s): Coach Misconduct

NAME OR DESCRIPTION OF REPORTED PERSON(S): [REDACTED]

MATCH REPORT: The coach of the [REDACTED] team had been complaining constantly in the second half of the game that my crew worked previously that day.

During the first half of the second game, he remained calm coaching his team from his technical area. However, at the end of the first half he approached the AR and started complaining about an offside decision. The AR was walking away and the coach kept following him. I went to the coach and told him to stop. The crew and I discussed his behavior and I told the AR if he continued to bother him, to put up his flag and I would deal with him.

A few of Coach [REDACTED]'s players went down during the second half. Some were fouls (called on the opposing team), others were not. Each time play was stopped, and the coach was called onto the field to deal with his player. All players returned to play later in the half.

About eight minutes from the end of the game, one of his players went down close to the AR side. Neither of us saw it as a foul. As the coach left the field he said something to the AR, who then put up his flag. I walked over to the coach, told him to stop and issued him a yellow card. He continued his disrespect, saying, "You need to do your jobs," and sarcastically saying thank you. I warned him that if he continued, I may have to go to my back pocket. His behavior continued, so I issued him a red card. He asked where I wanted him to go, and I told him he had to leave the premises. He picked up his bag and walked across the field and left without further incident.