

FOUL PLAY REVIEW COMMITTEE

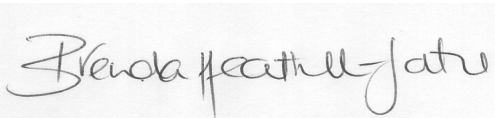
DECISION

PARTICULARS OF OFFENCE			
Player's surname	Bohan	Player's forename(s)	Billy
Player's Union	Ireland		
Match	New Zealand v Ireland,		
Competition	U20s World Championships 2025	Match Date	9 July 2025
Offence	Law 9.20(a)	SELECT: Red card ☒ Citing ☐	
Finding of Committee <i>Foul play determined?</i> <i>Red card upheld?</i>	Foul play accepted; RC upheld.		
Summary of Sanction	3 week/match suspension reduced to 2 weeks upon successful completion of the coaching intervention programme for which the player is eligible, and which the FPRC approves should he wish to avail of it.		
Matches/tournaments included in sanction	The 3 matches for which the player would be suspended: - WR U20 Championship Play-Off Match - Ireland v Scotland - 14th July 2025 - WR U20 Championship Play-Off Match - 19th July 2025 - All-Ireland League - Corinthians v Banbridge - 27th September 2025 - he will be free to play in this match if he successfully completes the coaching intervention programme		
REASONS FOR DECISION			
Evidence and materials considered: 1. Video footage of the incident. 2. Referee's red card report. 3. Medical evidence in respect of the injured player 4. Player's written submissions. Red card upheld 1. Foul play, contrary to Law 9.20(a). The Committee considered the Player's submission that the offence should have been under Law 9.20 (b) as he considers that in his attempt to clear out the other player he unintentionally made contact above the line of the shoulders and did not charge. The Committee viewed the clips, and agreed with the Match Officials' assessment of charging as the Player entered the ruck with a forceful forward movement and momentum. Law 9.20 (a) more accurately reflected the Player's actions, rather than Law 9 20 (b)			

2. The Player charged into the ruck and made no attempt to wrap his arms and in doing so made direct contact with the other player's neck and head with a high degree of danger.

Sanction:

1. The minimum mandated entry point is mid-range with a starting point of 6 weeks.
2. The Player admitted foul play and accepted that the red card was warranted; he has no previous suspensions, citations or red cards. He receives full mitigation of 3 weeks.
3. There are no aggravating factors.
4. Therefore, the proposed sanction is a suspension of 3 weeks.
5. The Player is eligible for the coaching intervention programme. The FPRC approves that course should he wish to apply for it. Successful completion of that will reduce the suspension by one week/match.

Foul Play Review Committee Members	Bogdan Zebega (Rom) Juan Pablo Spirandelli (Arg)		
Signature Chair	Brenda Heather Latu MBE 	Date	10 July 2025