



FOOTBALL
NSW

GPT NOTICE OF DETERMINATION.

Proceeding under section 8.5 of the
FNSW Grievance and Disciplinary Regulations

Proceeding Details:

Tribunal reference	MGPT 16-56
Date of hearing	15 September 2016
Time of hearing	6:00pm
Venue of hearing	FNSW
Tribunal Member(s)	Mendo CKLAMOVSKI
Respondent	Grant LEE (FFA: 67272906)
Fixture	National Premier League 1 (NPL1) 1 st Grade match between Blacktown Spartans FC and Sydney Olympic FC on 14 August 2016 at Blacktown Football Park.

This Notice constitutes the General Purposes Tribunal's Determination resulting from the Tribunal hearing listed above.

Charge(s) and Determination(s):

Charge(s)	Tribunal determination
<p>1. The Respondent (Grant Lee) used threatening or intimidating language or conduct towards a Match Official in breach of section 15.4(d), Schedule 3, Table B, Number 5 of the FNSW Grievance and Disciplinary Regulations (Regulations) and/or</p> <p>The Respondent (Grant Lee) failed to follow any reasonable direction of an Official or Football NSW employee or representative in relation to conduct and/or behavior at a Match in breach of section 15.4(d), Schedule 3, Table C, Number 8 of the Regulations.</p>	<p>1. <u><i>Plea:</i></u> Guilty. <u><i>Finding:</i></u> Guilty</p> <p><u><i>Determination:</i></u></p> <p>Two (2) Fixture suspension</p> <p><u><i>Reasons:</i></u> <i>The GPT determined that the Respondent, based on his evidence and that of the Match Officials, did not use "threatening or intimidating" language towards a Match Official and is not guilty of the first part of the charge. The Referee comments support this finding.</i></p> <p><i>The GPT also acknowledged that the Referee Room and the Away Team's Room are in very close proximity at Blacktown Football Park.</i></p> <p><i>The GPT does however find the Respondent guilty of failing to follow a reasonable direction by continuing to question the Referee resulting in the Respondent being directed not to return to the bench in the second half. The evidence from all four Match Officials is consistent in this regard.</i></p>

	<p><u>The Respondent is to serve a suspension of two (2) fixtures.</u></p> <p><u>NB. The suspension is to apply to all football activities.</u></p>
<p>Costs:</p> <p>The Tribunal determined that the costs of the Tribunal, as determined by FNSW, be met by the Respondent.</p>	

Aggrieved parties to a determination of the FNSW General Purposes Tribunal may lodge an appeal to the FNSW Appeals Tribunal in accordance with sections 8.8 and 9.2 of the FNSW Grievance and Disciplinary Regulations. Any appeal must be submitted by completing the online Notice of Appeal form (Prescribed Form 12 – available on the FNSW website or by clicking [here](#)) and lodging the relevant Application Fee (\$750) within 7 working days of this determination being issued.

15 September 2016
Mendo Cklamovski
Member
GENERAL PURPOSES TRIBUNAL