

**SAFF**<sup>TM</sup>

**MATCH FIXING  
&  
MANIPULATION  
BOOKLET**

## **About**

**The South Asian Football Federation (SAFF) maintains and enforces its own SAFF Disciplinary and Ethics Code, which includes broader provisions governing sanctions for unlawfully influencing match results, including match-fixing, match manipulation, betting, providing inside information, amongst others. These disciplinary provisions are binding upon all participants and stakeholders involved in SAFF-sanctioned competitions. Further, SAFF's Competition Regulations expressly incorporate and give effect to the SAFF Disciplinary and Ethics Code. Accordingly, in the conduct of all SAFF competitions, matters relating to match integrity, including investigations, adjudication, and the imposition of sanctions for match-fixing and manipulation, are governed by and enforced primarily in accordance with the SAFF Disciplinary and Ethics Code.**

# MATCH FIXING

Are you a player,  
team official, match official,  
administrator ?

**DON'T GET INVOLVED**  
**It will end your career in football**

**Your future in football  
depends on you**

If you are found guilty of match-fixing (including attempting, instigating or being an accomplice to it) you will be punished by the football authorities and in most cases the relevant law enforcement authorities.

**You can be sanctioned with:**

**A life-time ban from any  
involvement in football**

**Heavy fines**

**Imprisonment**

**If someone asks you to manipulate a  
match:**

**RECOGNISE: it is unethical to you**

**REJECT: Say 'NO'**

**REPORT: Inform the SAFF immediately**

**Don't get involved in organised crime!**

**It will always end in shame  
for both you and your family**

## **DISCIPLINARY REGULATIONS**

Please take the time to read the SAFF Disciplinary and Ethics Code (which can be downloaded from [saffederation.org](http://saffederation.org))

You will see that:

You must not influence or manipulate the course or result of a match in an unsporting, unethical or corrupt manner.

You must not bet on matches or competitions connected with football or get someone to bet for you.

You must report to the SAFF without undue delay and unprompted if you are approached or have any information in connection with activities aimed at influencing the course or result of a match.

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You must not disclose confidential information which could jeopardise the integrity of a match and result in direct or indirect gains.

You must not associate in a professional or sports-related capacity with match-fixers.

You must cooperate with any investigation and/or request for information by the SAFF.

The people behind match-fixing are dangerous individuals and they will never forget you if you agree to manipulate a match.

It is not only yourself that you put at risk. Match-fixers have been known to threaten the families and friends of players and officials.

Be careful with what you post on social networks. Social media is a public place and you never really know who has access to your information.

**You can report information linked to match-fixing to the SAFF at [info@saffederation.org](mailto:info@saffederation.org), [competitions@saffederation.org](mailto:competitions@saffederation.org)**

All information received will be treated as confidential and will be for the sole purpose of protecting the integrity of football. Should there be any threat to your own or any other person's life or physical health, the relevant law enforcement authorities must be contacted.

Even if you are not sure whether to report something or not, it is always best to do so. The information can prove vital. Remember, the SAFF regulations also require you to do this. However, please rest assured that if the information turns out not to be relevant or accurate, you do not have to worry.

**MATCH-FIXING IS A SERIOUS  
THREAT TO FOOTBALL AND WE  
MUST PROTECT THE GAME!**