

Hibs and Rangers issued with Notices of Complaint following Cup Final disorder



The SFA Compliance Officer has issued Notices of Complaints to both Hibs and Rangers following the disorder at the end of the Scottish Cup Final on 21st May.

The charges relate specifically to damage caused and Hibs' fans are angry that no mention is made of any alleged sectarian singing or the setting off of a smoke bomb in the Rangers end.

Rangers' fans are also annoyed that there is no mention of alleged assaults on their players.

Neither club have commented at this time.

The Disciplinary rule allegedly breached by Hibs is Disciplinary Rule 311 which states:

In that at the above match you failed to adhere to the Cup Competition Rules, specifically Rule 28 of the Rules of The Scottish Cup. That at the above match damage was sustained to Hampden Stadium, being the stadium where the Scottish Cup Final was played, as a consequence of misbehaviour by supporters of your Club. That the misbehaviour by your supporters occurred at the conclusion of the above match, whereby a number of your supporters carried out an incursion onto the pitch, and thereafter remained upon the pitch until cleared by Police Scotland and Stewards. That in the course of this misbehaviour by your supporters damage was sustained to the stadium, as follows:

(i) To the surface of the pitch, portions of which were

removed; and/or

(ii) To a set of goal posts which were broken and had netting removed; and/or

(iii) To parts of the LED advertising system situated at the perimeter of the pitch, in the vicinity of both the East Stand, and/or the North Stand; and/or

(iv) To advertising hoardings situated at the perimeter of the pitch, in the vicinity of the East Stand.

Principal Hearing date: Tuesday, 4th October 2016. The club has until close of business on Tuesday, 6th September to provide a written response to the alleged breaches.

The Disciplinary rule allegedly breached by Rangers is Disciplinary Rule 311 which states:

In that at the above match you failed to adhere to the Cup Competition Rules, specifically Rule 28 of the Rules of The Scottish Cup. That at the above match damage was sustained to Hampden Stadium, being the stadium where the Scottish Cup Final was played, as a consequence of misbehaviour by supporters of your Club. That the misbehaviour by your supporters occurred at the conclusion of the above match whereby, following on from a pitch incursion by supporters of Hibernian FC, a number of your supporters also carried out an incursion onto the pitch. That thereafter supporters of your Club who had engaged in the pitch incursion remained upon the pitch until cleared by Police Scotland and Stewards. That in the course of this misbehaviour by your supporters damage was sustained to the stadium, as follows:

(i) To parts of the LED advertising system situated at the perimeter of the pitch, in the vicinity of the North Stand, and /or the West Stand; and/or

(ii) To advertising hoardings situated at the perimeter of the pitch, in the vicinity of the West Stand.

Principal Hearing date: Wednesday 5th October 2016. The club

has until close of business on Tuesday, 6th September to provide a written response to the alleged breaches.