Hearts Won't Appeal Nicholson Red Card



The fall-out from Hearts defeat at St Johnstone continued today when the club announced they will not appeal the red card shown to winger Sam Nicholson towards the end of the Ladbrokes Premiership game.

Nicholson was sent off after the assistant referee Stephen Mitchell believed the winger spat towards him after the award of a foul throw.

Hearts Head Coach Ian Cathro said after the game he would need to see television footage of the incident but he added that, from what Nicholson had told him, the player had not intended to spit at the official but was merely displaying signs of frustration.

However, Hearts have decided not to appeal the decision. Nicholson will automatically miss the Ladbrokes Premiership game against Dundee at Tynecastle on Saturday but may well face a lengthy ban if the SFA decide to take further action.