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**ETHICS & TRADEMARKS COMMITTEE
(FORMALLY THE ETHICS & CERTIFICATION
MARK COMMITTEE)**

**DETERMINATION OF THE COMPLAINT AGAINST
A TRAINEE TEACHER "T3"**

DATE OF DECISION: 24 February 2022

On the 24 February 2022, the Ethics and Trademarks Committee (ETC), (formally the Ethics and Certification Mark Committee) (ECMC) of Iyengar Yoga Australia (IYA) made a determination in relation to a formal complaint against an IYA member and Trainee Teacher ("T3") in accordance with Clause 20 of the IYA Complaints Handling Procedure (CHP).

1. The Committee was satisfied T3 did not abide by their obligations under clause 10.2 CHP in that T3 failed to advise the Committee that:

Police had investigated a complaint made against T3 by a student affiliated to the Yoga School where T3 was a trainee teacher.

2. Police had applied for a Family Violence Final Intervention Order against T3 to the Magistrates Court of Victoria in order to protect that student; and
3. A Family Violence Order was granted by that court to protect that student from T3.

In accordance with clause 24 of the CHP the ETC imposed the following sanctions:

1. That T3 be reprimanded in accordance with clause 24.1(b) of the CHP
2. That a condition placed upon T3's IYA membership requiring participation in education designed to instruct that person as



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to their obligations under the Teachers' Code of Conduct in accordance with clause 24.1 iv of the CHP, and

3. That a condition placed upon T3's IYA membership requiring that T3 be supervised by another teacher nominated by the ECMC in a manner to be determined by the committee in accordance with clause 24.1 iv of the CHP.
4. That the decision to sanction T3 be published on the IYA website in accordance with Clause 38 of the CHP.

