

WRITTEN REASONS OF THE FAST TRACK TRIBUNAL



IN THE MATTER OF A WRONGFUL DISMISSAL CLAIM BROUGHT BY:

Inverness Caledonian Thistle FC (the Club)

on behalf of

Remi Savage (the Player)

1. These are the written reasons for a Determination made by a Fast Track Tribunal which convened on 30 July 2025 to deliberate this Claim.
2. Following the conclusion of the Premier Sports League Cup fixture between Raith Rovers FC v Inverness Caledonian Thistle FC on 26th July 2025 the Player was dismissed from the field of play by the Referee for Violent Conduct.
3. The Claimants submitted a Claim of Wrongful Dismissal on behalf of the Player. In support of this Claim, the Club submitted video footage showing the incident in question and written submissions.
4. In order for a Claim of Wrongful Dismissal to be upheld, the Fast Track Tribunal must be satisfied, by way of evidence submitted and upon the balance of probabilities, that the Referee made an Obvious Refereeing Error in dismissing the Player.
5. In summary, the Claimant's submission was that the Player was feeling frustrated and annoyed about how the game had gone and also with their own performance. The ball comes straight towards him however and bounces at an awkward height and he kicks it away in frustration. No one on the pitch has had to move out of the way of the ball.
6. The Referee provided a statement explaining the act which he decided was Violent Conduct occurred when the Player volleyed the football forcefully directly towards him causing him to take evasive action from being struck.
7. The Fast Track Tribunal viewed the video footage of the incident and carefully considered the written submissions from the Claimants. It also considered the definition from Laws of the Game in relation to Violent Conduct
8. Having considered all the evidence, the Fast Track Tribunal decided that the Claimants had successfully demonstrated that an Obvious Refereeing Error had occurred. The Tribunal did not observe the Referee taking evasive action nor did they think from the evidence that the Player was deliberately kicking the ball at anyone.
9. The Determination of the Fast Track Tribunal was that the Claim be upheld and the sending off offence and original sanction should be rescinded.
10. The Determination of the Fast Track Tribunal is final and binding on all Parties and is not subject to Appeal.