

Changes to Code of Disciplinary Regulations

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5.2.10 A ~~type-written~~ typewritten report in a format provided by the ACBL shall be made of all hearings, including a brief summary of the facts, the committee's findings and what sanction, if any, is to be or was imposed. The report must be submitted to ACBL Management within 30 days from the conclusion of the presentation of evidence. ACBL Management shall receive the written report and is required to provide a copy to the disciplined person and complainant.

7.1.4 The decision of the District shall be in writing and must be submitted to ACBL Management within 30 days from the conclusion of the presentation of argument.

7.2.5 Decisions of the Appeals and Charges Committee shall be in writing and shall be final. All decisions shall be reported to the ACBL Board of Directors within 30 days from the conclusion of the presentation of argument and, thereafter, to all parties.

7.3.4 The decision of the ACBL Disciplinary Committee (when meeting as an appellate body) shall be in writing and must be sent to ACBL Management within 30 days from the conclusion of the presentation of argument.

VI. POST-HEARING PROCEDURES

A.

B. REPORT TO ACBL

It is ~~also~~ mandatory that the disciplinary body send a full typed report of the hearing (See Hearing Report Form at www.acbl.org) ~~along with~~ and a copy of the letter sent to the disciplined party or parties to ACBL Headquarters at the same time. The report must be sent within 30 days from the conclusion of the presentation of evidence.

Discussion:

All of these changes deal with setting a time limit for the reporting of an original or appellate committee decision. The time limit set is 30 days from the end of the presentation of the case or the presentation of argument in the case of an appeal. This was considered to be a reasonable amount of time for the chairperson to write the hearing report and send to ACBL Headquarters.