



APES Games 2023 – Disputes / Protest Policy

A dispute is a formal complaint against the conduct of an athlete, team, referee, games official, or the conditions of the competition.

All disputes must be lodged (by either an individual competitor in individual sports or team manager / coach for team sports) with the Sport Code Coordinator within 30 minutes of the completion of the game / match / race in question.

Disputes must be communicated to the Sports Code Coordinator in writing within 30 minutes of the finish time. However, the intention to submit a written dispute has to be announced (verbally) to the Sports Code Co-ordinator within 15 minutes of the finish time.

Disputes forms can be completed online via [ONLINE OFFICIAL DISPUTE FORM](#).

A disputes / protest fee of \$100.00 will be charged. If the dispute / protest is upheld the fee will be refunded.

The Sports Code Coordinator will contact the Games Sports Manager who will call a meeting of the disputes / protest committee as soon as practicable to resolve the dispute / protest.

The disputes / protest committee will consist of the following individuals:

- 🗑 Sports Code Coordinator (if no conflict arises from the dispute / process)
- 🗑 Sports Manager
- 🗑 Games Director
- 🗑 ANZPGF Director

Rules of the national governing body of the sport shall be applied in the first instance.