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Guidelines for Sanctions & Demerit System

INFRACTION	MINIMUM SANCTION	MAXIMUM SANCTION	DEMERITS
Postering over another candidate's campaigning lit.	\$5/10 posters	n/a	2-4
*Misuse of an elected or appointed position	\$5/10 posters	Disqualification	2-15
Unauthorized handbill distribution	\$5/10 posters	\$50/50 posters	4-5
Postering in a restricted area	\$5/10 posters	\$50/100 posters	4-5
*Unauthorized campaigning	\$10/20 posters	Campaign suspension	6-15
*Unsolicited Emails	\$15/20 posters	\$50/50 posters	6-10
Campaigning outside/off-campus/unauthorized areas	\$5/10 posters	\$50/100 posters	6-8
*Pre-Campaigning	\$15/30 posters	Disqualification	8-15
*Negative Campaigning	\$20/20 posters	Disqualification	8-15
Inhibiting other Candidates	\$20/20 posters	Disqualification	8-11
*Engaging External Support	\$50/50 posters	Disqualification	12-15
Spending over given budget	Campaign suspension	Disqualification	12-15
Failure to submit financial documents upon request	Campaign suspension	Disqualification	15
Deception of elections authorities	Campaign suspension	Disqualification	15

Bribery (attempted or successful)	Campaign suspension	Disqualification	15
Infraction of Online Campaign Guidelines	\$5/10 Posters	Disqualification	2-15

Please note that this is only a guideline. Elections SSMU is not bound by any of the examples below. We are simply providing you with a list of common campaign and elections infractions. The penalties may change in response to the severity and frequency of the offence. (*=possible public censure).

Action of Elections SSMU:

- 12 Demerits – Public Announcement
- 8 Demerits – Issuing a formal warning to Campaign Committee in question
- 15 – 20 Demerits – Automatic consideration of disqualification/invalidation and calling of the ERC. Written ruling by Elections SSMU.