

## **Key findings:**

Steve Smith, David Warner and Cameron Bancroft have been charged with a breach of Article 2.3.5 of the CA Code of Conduct, namely that their conduct:

- (a) was contrary to the spirit of the game;
- (b) was unbecoming of a representative or official;
- (c) is or could be harmful to the interests of cricket; and/or
- (d) did bring the game of cricket into disrepute.

In respect of the individual players concerned, Cricket Australia advises the following:

**Steve Smith** was charged with a breach of Article 2.3.5 of the CA Code of Conduct based on:

- (a) knowledge of a potential plan to attempt to artificially alter the condition of the ball;
- (b) failure to take steps to seek to prevent the development and implementation of that plan;
- (c) directing that evidence of attempted tampering be concealed on the field of play;
- (d) seeking to mislead Match Officials and others regarding Bancroft's attempts to artificially alter the condition of the ball; and
- (e) misleading public comments regarding the nature, extent and participants of the plan

**David Warner** was charged with a breach of Article 2.3.5 of the CA Code of Conduct based on:

- (a) development of a plan to attempt to artificially alter the condition of the ball;
- (b) instruction to a junior player to carry out a plan to take steps to attempt to artificially alter the condition of the ball using sandpaper;
- (c) provision of advice to a junior player regarding how a ball could be artificially altered including demonstrating how it could be done;
- (d) failure to take steps to seek to prevent the development and/or implementation of the plan;
- (e) failure to report his knowledge of the plan at any time prior to or during the match;
- (f) misleading Match Officials through the concealment of his knowledge of and involvement in the plan; and
- (g) failure to voluntarily report his knowledge of the plan after the match

**Cameron Bancroft** was charged with a breach of Article 2.3.5 of the CA Code of Conduct based on:

- (a) knowledge of the existence of, and being party to, the plan to attempt to artificially alter the condition of the ball using sandpaper;
- (b) carrying out instructions to attempt to artificially alter the condition of the ball;
- (c) seeking to conceal evidence of his attempts to artificially alter the condition of the ball;
- (d) seeking to mislead Match Officials and others regarding his attempts to artificially alter the condition of the ball; and
- (e) misleading public comments regarding the nature, extent, implementation and participants of the plan