



RUGBY LEAGUE

BY

LAWS



2024

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RULES PERTAINING TO ALL TEAMS

Clause 1: GRADES AND AIC AGGREGATE

(a) Grades catered for shall be:

First XIII, Second XIII, Year 10, Year 9, Year 8, Year 7A, Year 7B, Year 6A, Year 6B, Year 5A and Year 5B. The Year 7A, Year 8, Year 9, Year 10 and 1st XIII teams will be the only teams that count towards the overall aggregate.

Clause 2: COMPETITION POINTS

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| Win | = | 2 |
| Loss | = | 0 |
| Draw | = | 1 |
| Washout | = | 1 |

Clause 3: SELECTION OF TEAMS AND RESTRICTIONS ON PLAYERS

- a) Colleges shall select players of a higher graded team before selecting those of lower graded teams, whether the higher grades are engaged or not.
- b) Players selected in a team on a given day may not take the field for any other team on that day, unless referred to other wise as stated in Clause 4.
- c) Players who are 15 or turning 15 in year of competition will not be eligible to play in the Open grades.
- d) Boys who are turning 16 in year of competition and are in Year 10 shall be eligible to play in the Open grades.
- e) Year 5 teams will play with 11 per side with a maximum of 4 players on the bench.
- f) Year 6 teams will play with 13 per side with a maximum of 4 players on the bench.
- g) Years 7 – 2nd XIII teams will play with 13 per side with a maximum of 6 players on the bench.
- h) The 1st XIII will play with 13 per side with a maximum of 4 players on the bench with a maximum of 10 interchanges
- i) Interchange cards will be provided by the NRL Ground Manager. Interchange cards must be handed to the NRL Ground Manager at the time of making a substitution.

Clause 4: SUBSTITUTIONS

As per Clause 3, Year 5 – 2nd XIII will play with unlimited interchange.

Clause 5: FORMAT OF MATCHES

- a) 1st & 2nd XIII = 2 x 30 minute halves
- Year 10, Year 9, Year 8, Year 7 = 2 x 25 minute halves
- Year 6, Yr 5* = 2 x 20 minute halves

*There is to be no attempts for conversions for all primary matches

- b) In all cases the half time break will be 5 minutes.
- c) There is no stoppage of time for injury.

Clause 6: MATCH VENUES

- i. The match venues are as stated in the AIC Rugby League Draw/Fixture Schedule 2024.
- ii. The field size and ground markings shall be as per regulation (where possible as college field measurements differ) as stated in the Junior League guidelines set by the NRL.

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| Years 6 – 1 st XIII | Field Size | 100m x 68m |
| Year 5 | Field Size | 80m x 48m |

Clause 7: OFFICIALS

- i. All fixtures will be appointed with a referee as allocated by the NRL
- ii. 1st XIII games will have appointed touch referees as allocated by the NRL
- iii. Colleges are to provide touch referees for all Years 5-2nd XIII games
- iv. In the event of the nominated official referee not being in attendance ten minutes after the scheduled commencement time, Heads of Sport or Coordinators may mutually agree on the provision of a qualified referee or official. If no qualified referee or official is available, there must be a mutual agreement on the provision of an unqualified official.

Clause 8: BALLS

Years 7 to Open divisions will play with a regulation "Senior" ball as per NRL International 13's and above rules.

Years 5 and 6 divisions will play with a regulation "MOD" ball as per NRL Under 10's, 11's and 12's rules.

"Steeden" is the preferred brand of ball to be used for all fixtures. The NRL match manager on duty will provide the game balls.

Clause 9: UNIFORM

- a) All teams must wear numbered jerseys.

- b) All Year 5 and 6 players playing in the positions of 'first receiver' (FR) and 'dummy half' (DH) must wear a positional bib (yellow and pink bibs are required)

Clause 10: DISQUALIFIED PLAYER OR OFFICIAL (MISCONDUCT)

- a) All cases of misconduct resulting in a 'send-off' for a player or team official shall be reported to the Head of Sport and the Match Manager on duty.
- b) Disqualified players or officials shall take no further part in any match on the day of disqualification. Please refer to and adhere to Clause 7 of the General Association By Laws "Player Suspension".

Clause 11: WEATHER

Refer to AIC General By Laws Clause 17 "Extreme Weather"

Clause 12: MEDICAL

First aid staff with a minimum qualification of Advanced Life Support must be in attendance at all fixtures. First aid must be accessible and in close proximity to all ovals where fixtures are being played.

Clause 13: HOSPITALITY

A brief exchange of speeches and refreshments can be made to First players and coaches following the match.

GOVERNING LAWS AND RELATED LINKS

All the national body laws and referee resources can be found via the link below:

[Referee Resources - Play Rugby League - Play Rugby League](#)