



# 2022 COMPETITION RULES & COVID-19 UPDATE



## MATCH DURATIONS

Mixed Tackle Competitions	Game Times	Female Tackle Competitions	Game Times
U6-U9	4 x 8min	U14-U18	2 x 25min
U10-U12	2 x 20min	Open Age Women	2 x 30min
Male Tackle Competitions	Game Times	Monarch Blues Tag	Game Times
U13-U15	2 x 25min	U10-U12	2 x 20min
U16-U23	2 x 30min	U13-Open Age (Incl. Over 35s)	2 x 25min
Open Age (as per International Laws)	2 x 40min **		

\*\* Open Age Match Durations may be set by Local Leagues. Please confirm with your Local Competition By-Laws.

## MERCY RULE

**60** points differential in ALL age groups

GAMES **SHOULD** STOP AT MERCY

*Coaches may decide to continue play after MERCY differential is reached, if it is safe to do so, but no further scores will be recorded.*

*Both Coaches must agree for play to continue.*

## DH / FR VESTS

**DH** and **FR** vests must be rotated after each ½ or ¼ Players **CANNOT** wear a vest twice in any one game.

**U8s** use **FR** vest ONLY.

## COVID-19 UPDATE 2022

**ENSURE THAT PLAYERS AND VOLUNTEERS STAY HOME IF THEY ARE UNWELL**

Follow the NSW Government rules regarding the **PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER**

**LIMIT** access to changerooms / sheds

**STRAP** players outside of changerooms / sheds

Hold pre-game and half-time talks **OUTSIDE**

Players **SHOULD NOT** share drink bottles

Always remember to practice **SOCIAL DISTANCING**

## PLAYERS PLAYING UP

- **CAN'T** wear a vest (in U8-U12)
- **CAN'T** take the field before a correct aged player
- **CAN'T** take a conversion attempt before a correct aged player (Mod games)
- **MUST** have a Playing Up Form completed

## MINIMUM / MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PLAYERS

TACKLE			
Age Group	Min. Players on Field	Max. Players on Field	Minimum Game Time
6-7	4	6	2 X Quarters
8-9	6	8	2 x Quarters
10-11	8	11	1 x Half
12	11	13	1 x Half
13+	9	13	N/A

GIRLS / WOMENS TACKLE		
Age Group	Min. Players on Field	Max. Players on Field
14	9	11
16	9	11
18	9	11
Open Age	9	13

MONARCH BLUES TAG		
Age Group	Min. Players on Field	Max. Players on Field
10-12	6	8
13+	8	11

In all competitions, once a team has the minimum number of players available to play, they **MUST** take the field.

## SPORTS TRAINERS – NRL ON-FIELD POLICY

### GROUND MANAGER MUST

- Check minimum requirement for game (as per table below)
- Check Sports Trainers accreditation using MySideline
- Ensure Sports Trainer has signed the Sign on Sheet

**IF THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS CANNOT BE MET THEN THE GAME CANNOT START**

AGE	MINIMUM PERSONNEL FOR CONTACT RUGBY LEAGUE	MINIMUM PERSONNEL REQUIRED FOR LEAGUE TAG	MINIMUM ACCREDITATION REQUIRED
U6-U7	1 First Responder for up to 4 matches being played on an <b>International Field</b>	1 First Responder for up to 4 matches being played on an <b>International Field</b>	League First Aid, or NRL Level 1 Sports Trainer, or NRL Level 2 Sports Trainer
U8-U9	1 First Responder for up to 3 matches being played on an <b>International Field</b>	1 First Responder for up to 3 matches being played on an <b>International Field</b>	
U10-U12	1 First Responder for each <b>MATCH</b>	1 First Responder for each <b>MATCH</b>	
U13-U15	1 First Responder for each <b>TEAM</b>		
U16+	1 First Responder for each <b>TEAM</b>	1 First Responder for each <b>TEAM</b>	NRL Level 1 Sports Trainer, or NRL Level 2 Sports Trainer

## HIA / CONCUSSION

Any player that leaves the field with a suspected head injury or is not allowed to retake the field under any circumstances.

**HIA** must be written next to the players name on Sign on Sheet.

Sports Trainer to complete the **HIRRF** Form and give to player.

## UNOFFICIAL TOUCHIE

Any parent or spectator who acts as an **UNOFFICIAL TOUCH JUDGE** should be informed that their only responsibility is to put their flag up and indicate the point where:

*The ball or a player crosses the sideline or, for a successful conversion.*

## SIGN ON SHEETS

At the end of the game the **GROUND MANAGER** should ensure:

- Sign on Sheets have been completed correctly
- All Team Staff / Match Officials have signed the sheets
- Scores match on both home and away sheets
- Any player removed from the field with a **SUSPECTED HEAD INJURY** is noted on the sign on sheet as **HIA**

### NSWRL COMMUNITY TOOLBOX



### NSWRL POLICIES & PROCEDURES MANUAL



### NSWRL POLICIES



### COVID-19 RULE UPDATES



### NSWRL ONLINE CODE OF CONDUCT REPORT

