

RFU REGULATION 17 – BETTING & WAGERING

17. Betting and Wagering

- 17.1 For the purpose of this RFU Regulation 17, “Person” shall mean a player, referee, touch judge, coach, trainer, selector, health professional (associated with any team or player), official, member of team or club management, or any match official.
- 17.2 No Person may directly or indirectly seek, offer or accept any payment, gift, reward or other benefit of any nature which is or could appear to be related in any way to influencing the outcome or any dimension or aspect of any match, tour, tournament or series of matches (international or otherwise), other than:
- (a) any salary, bonus or other payment or benefit provided by or on behalf of his/her employer under the terms of a contract for participating or being involved in any match, tour, tournament or series of matches or the result(s) thereof (e.g. appearance money or win bonus); or
 - (b) as approved by the RFU.
- 17.3 No Person may:
- (a) enter into any wager, bet or any form of financial speculation, directly or indirectly, as to the result or any other dimension or aspect of any match, tour, tournament or series of matches (international or otherwise) in which he/she or a club or team with which he/she is associated in any way is participating; or
 - (b) provide to any other person or entity any information relating to any dimension or aspect of any match, tour, tournament or series of matches (international or otherwise) which the person has by virtue of his position within the game and which is not publicly available for or in relation to any wager, bet or any form of financial speculation.
- 17.4 The RFU is entitled to take such action as it deems appropriate against any Person it believes may have contravened RFU Regulations 17.1 and/or 17.2 above. Such action may include disciplinary action under Rule 5.12, reporting the matter to the IRB, the police or any other competent authority.
- 17.5 All Persons shall inform the RFU forthwith, on a confidential basis, of any activity, including approaches from any person or third party, which they believe may or will contravene or are or may lead to the contravention of RFU Regulations 17.1 and/or 17.2 above and fully co-operate with the RFU in any enquiry or investigation undertaken by the RFU or on its behalf including the prompt supply of any document or copy or any information requested by the RFU pursuant to General Administrative Regulation 9.6 below
- 17.6 The RFU is entitled to access to and copies of any document or information which it requests to ascertain if a breach of RFU Regulations 17, 17.1 and/or 17.2 has occurred. Failure to supply or any delay in the supply of any such

document is itself a disciplinary offence and in relation to which Rule 5.12 proceedings may be brought. The RFU is entitled to make such use of any document or information that comes into its possession pursuant to this RFU Regulation 17.6 or howsoever obtained for such purposes as it deems appropriate and/or to hand such document or information to the IRB, the police or any other competent authority.