

RFU REGULATION 2 – APPLICATION AND ENFORCEMENT

2.1 Commencement

These revised Regulations take effect on 1 August 2011 unless and to the extent specifically stated otherwise (including, but not limited to, any variations to the Regulations made under Regulation 2.3.1 below).

2.2 Application

2.2.1 These Regulations shall be binding on all Members of the Union, who shall be deemed to have full knowledge of the content of these Regulations.

2.2.2 Every Club and Constituent Body shall ensure that it complies with these Regulations and must further ensure that it takes appropriate action to inform every member of that Club or Constituent Body (as applicable) of the terms of these Regulations and the obligations of that member to comply with these Regulations. The RFU may (but shall not be obliged to) from time to time issue guidelines in relation to the implementation of these Regulations. Any breach(es) of such guidelines may render the Member in breach of these Regulations.

2.2.3 Without prejudice to the generality of Regulation 2.2.2, each Constituent Body shall include in its own rules a rule stating that each of its members is bound by the Union's Rules, these Regulations, the Laws of the Game and the IRB Regulations relating to the Game and that any breach thereof shall be a breach of the rules of the Constituent Body and shall be dealt with under the powers contained in its rules or in accordance with powers which have been delegated to it by the Union.

2.2.4 All matches played under the jurisdiction of the Union and/or in Union Competitions or any other competition or merit table must be played in accordance with the IRB Laws and Regulations, the Union Rules, these Regulations and the Premiership Regulations, Championship Regulations, Anglo/Welsh Cup Regulations and British & Irish Cup Regulations (as applicable).

2.3 Power to vary these Regulations

2.3.1 The Council shall have the power to vary these Regulations and to make new resolutions and regulations at any time, both during and outside the Season.

2.3.2 The Council shall be empowered to delegate its powers under Regulation 2.3.1 to the Governance Standing Committee and/or the Committee on such terms as the Council thinks fit.

2.3.3 The Council shall have discretion to decide on matters not provided for in these Regulations and the Council's decision(s) in respect of those matters shall be final and binding save for any right of appeal or review as may be specifically reserved under RFU Regulations.

2.4 Duty to Act with the Utmost Good Faith

All Clubs, Constituent Bodies, National Representative Bodies, all Organising Committees and any player, official, member or employee of a Club or

Constituent Body or National Representative Body or an Organising Committee shall at all times act towards the RFU and each other with the utmost good faith.

2.5 Formal Complaint

In the event that a person wishes to make a complaint to the RFU relating to a suspected breach of an RFU Regulation, the complaint shall be made to the RFU Disciplinary Manager who will determine the appropriate way to deal with the matter in accordance with any RFU complaints procedures issued by the RFU and in accordance with RFU Regulation 19.

- 2.6** The playing of the game or any modification or derivation thereof between male and female teams or teams containing both male and female players is permissible only within the confines of age grade rugby (ie U7 to U12 Age Grade Rugby) and in accordance with RFU Regulation 15 or in all forms of non-contact, touch or tag rugby.