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Welcome to the 2014 Edition of the Bay of Plenty Rugby Handbook. This book has come a long way from a list of club contacts in the early days to the comprehensive publication it is today. I would like to thank the many people who have made this possible over many years, from our administrative staff to the club volunteers who have supplied their organisations details. I would also like to acknowledge the work of those who have had input into the competition rules and regulations sections. I know from personal experience the many hours required to get these parts right. And of course a big thanks to all the advertisers over many years. Some of you have been supporting this handbook since its inception.

With the 2014 season upon us I would like to wish everyone well for their respective competitions. I would also like to encourage all of you to read the Code of Conduct included in this Handbook. It is a timely reminder that rugby is to be enjoyed and it is the responsibility of all of us to ensure this happens.

I would also like thank the sponsor of the Senior Baywide Competition, Bayfair Shopping Centre. Your support for this competition is greatly appreciated.

Of course, no rugby would be possible without the huge number of volunteers who ensure rugby runs smoothly in the Bay of Plenty. A big thank you to you all.

Essential to any rugby happening at all, are the referees. Their dedication and enthusiasm for the game is on show week in, week out and I would encourage you all to thank them when you can for their contribution. The support of JMC, Eastpack and Legacy Funerals is greatly valued in getting our referees out there.

Once more, good luck for 2014, play hard, play fair but most of all enjoy your rugby.

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LJ Brake .................................1976
SJ Cane .................................2012-2013
RJ Conway .............................1965
GM Crossman .........................1974-76
LF Cupples .............................1922-25
MP Delany ..............................2009
WN Gray .................................1955-57
AG Jennings ...........................1967
TD Latimer ..............................2009
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AM McNaughton ....................1971-72
HR Reid .................................1980-81-83-84-86
GD Rowlands ...........................1976
FNK Shelford ...........................1981-84-85
K. Senio .................................2005
EJT Stokes ..............................1976
AM Stone .................................1986
NM Taylor ...............................1976-78

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E Rere .................................1993
HC Reader ...............................1995
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K Taylor .................................1996
EH Thomas ...............................1996-98
ET Shelford ..............................1998-
T Paul .................................2001-

NEW ZEALAND MAORI
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Te TA Grace ............................1911-21
R Nuku .................................1911-13
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30 Te Puna Rugby Football Club
31 Te Teko Rugby Football Club
32 Waikite Sports Club
33 Waimana Rugby Club
34 Welcome Bay Rugby & Sports Club
35 Whakarewarewa Rugby Community Sports
36 Whakatane Marist Rugby & Sports Club
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2014 Baywide Format

1 Seedings at the end of the 2013 rugby season.

Premier | Division One
---|---
1 Tauranga Sports | 11 Paroa
2 Mount Maunganui | 12 Poroporo
3 Te Puke Sports | 13 Kahukura
4 Opotiki | 14 Te Teko
5 Rotoiti | 15 Waikite
6 Te Puna | 16 Katikati
7 Greerton Marista | 17 Whakatane Marist
8 Whakarewarewa | 18 Ngongotaha
9 Rangataua | 19 Marist St Michaels
10 Rangiuru | 20 Arataki

Reserve seedings for Division One:
21 Ruatoki | 23 Judea
22 Kawerau | 24 Reporoa
2 Key aspects of the competition structure
(a) The Club competition Window will be 18 weeks
(b) The 2014 BOPRU Premier, Premier Development will start on the 29th March 2014 with Finals on the 26th July.
(c) The 2014 BOPRU Division One Competition will begin on the 24th May 2014 with finals on the 2nd August.
(d) The 2014 BOPRU Division 2, Colts, and Senior Reserve Finals will be played on 2nd August 2014.
(e) The prerequisite for entry into the Premier Division is the requirement to field a Premier Development Team throughout the respective 2014 competition.
(f) The prerequisite for entry into Division One competition is the requirement to field a Bona Fide Age Grade or Senior Reserve Team throughout the respective 2014 Competition.

3 The 2014 Club Competition will consist of;
(a) A Premier Baywide Competition consisting of 10 teams, playing two full home and away rounds with Semi-finals and Final. Teams will be selected based on finishing positions from the 2013 season.
(b) A Premier Baywide Development Competition consisting of 10 teams, playing two full home and away rounds with Semi-finals and Final.
(c) A Division One Baywide Competition consisting of 10 teams, playing one round with Semi-finals and Final. Teams will be selected based on finishing positions from the 2013 season.
(d) All remaining senior club teams will play in local division competitions, which will also involve 2nd teams from Clubs with teams in the Baywide Premier and Division One grades.
(e) The Baywide Division 2 competition will be playoffs for the top 2 senior teams from each of the three local Sub Union divisions. This will be played over three weeks after the completion of the local round competition. Commences 19th July 2014.
(f) A Baywide Senior Reserve competition will be played for the top 2 Senior B teams from each of the three local Sub Union divisions. This will be played over three weeks after the completion of the local round competition. Commences 19th July 2014.

(g) Automatic promotion/relegation for one team between the Premier and Division One competition’s and Division 1 and Division 2 competitions. The promoted teams being the winners of their respective finals. The relegated teams being the bottom teams of Premier and Division One following round robin play.

(h) The local competitions must be structured to be meaningful and so as to be completed before the start of the Baywide Division 2 and Senior Reserve playoff competitions on 19th July 2014.

(i) The Baywide Colts competition will follow a Baywide competition format.

(j) All competitions (Baywide Premier, Premier Development, Division 1, 2, Colts and Local) will be administered through the BOPRU office, including publishing draws, collecting team sheets, publishing point’s tables etc. All competitions will adhere to the BOPRU Disciplinary process.

(k) PREMIER DIVISION 2014 - The eligibility for Premiers is all ten teams must have a Premier Development team available throughout their respective 2014 competition.

(l) DIVISION ONE 2014 - The eligibility for Division One is all ten teams must have a Bona Fide Age Grade Team or a Senior Reserve team available throughout their respective 2014 competition.

4. Sanctions for failing to comply with Premier and Division One Eligibility Rules.

(a) Pre-season - Failure to enter teams for inclusion in draws will result in relegation to a local Senior Competition. Final confirmation of a club’s required second team entry is due by the 24th February 2014. Withdrawal of the club’s second team after this date will also result in relegation and a financial penalty.

(b) At time of first or second Premier/Division One games - If clubs fail to field the required team in Premier Development, age grade or local
competitions, the club’s Prem/Div One team will be relegated to local Senior Competition. If age grade/local competitions start at a later date than the second game Prem/Div One then rule 4 (c) below applies.

(c) Sanctions for failing to comply with Premier and Division One Eligibility Rules in Subsequent Weeks of the Competition. Failure to field the required Age Grade or Senior Reserve team for any fixture during the remainder of the season will incur the following sanctions:
• On the first occasion the default will be dealt with in the usual manner as per section 5.2 – Defaults.
• Any further defaults by the required Premier Development, age grade / senior reserve team resulting in the Premier / Division One team failing to comply with Competition requirements will result in the loss of 4 competition points for the premier / Senior A team. The default will also be subject as per section 5.2 – Defaults.

(d) Should a team be relegated to a lower division their place will be taken by a team selected from the list of seeding’s by the BOPRU Baywide Competition and Emergency Committee. Promoted and relegated teams will start with zero points. If promotion is declined then next eligible team will be offered promotion.

(e) Other regulations regarding defaults will also apply.

(f) These sanctions and rules are to be applied at the discretion of the BOPRU Baywide Competition and Emergency Committee.

5. Colts & Under 19 Competitions
(a) A Baywide Colts Competition will be drawn up when the number of teams is known. The age for the Colts is Under 21 as of 1 January 2014.
(b) Competition/s formats will be drawn up when the number of teams is known. The age for the Under 19’s is Under 21 as of 1 January 2014.
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1.1 Code of Responsibility
   A Code of Responsibility has been adopted by the Bay of Plenty Rugby Union. Clubs are to ensure they understand the code and are required to sign and return a copy of this Code as part of the entry process.

1.2 Team Entry Deadlines
   All Clubs will be required to sign and return the BOP competition Entry Form (FORM A) verifying the entry of their Club teams and acceptance of the competition regulations.

Premier and Division One teams must be registered with the BOPRU by Friday 31st January 2014.

All Clubs with Premier and Division One teams must register their required Premier Development, Senior Reserve OR Colts Team by Monday 24th February to remain eligible for 2014 Premier & Division One Competition.

All Senior Local and Colts teams must be registered with the BOPRU by Monday 24th February 2014.

Failure by Clubs to have their teams registration received and accepted by BOPRU on due date may mean default from the BOPRU Competition and fine not exceeding $500 + GST. No competition points shall be awarded unless complete compliance.

NOTE: BOPRU Acceptance of Club Team registration is dependent on Clubs being fully financial from 2013
1.3 Clubs confirmed in competitions will be invoiced for Affiliation fees upon receipt of their official entry form. Clubs are required to have paid all fees to the union by the **start of the competition**. Affiliation fees for 2014 are: $100 + GST for all Clubs and $100 + GST for each team entered into BOP Rugby Competitions. Failure by any club to pay by due date will result in that club not being awarded any further competition points **IN ANY GRADE** that they compete in until their affiliation fees are paid in full.

1.4 For all Bay of Plenty Rugby Union Senior Baywide competitions, clubs may enter only one team.

1.5 In the event of team colour clashes, the home team shall make the jersey (colour) changes to clearly distinguish players/teams.

2.0 **Eligibility**

2.1 **Players**

   Players are to be required to complete a NZRU Registration Form, and have returned to the BOPRU before the start of the competition to be eligible to play on the opening round. For players registering after the start of competition players must be registered by 12pm on the working day prior to their game being played.

   Overseas players returning must be cleared by the Club they last played for, as well as the Union or Country they last played in. International Clearance forms are available at the BOPRU Office and on the BOPRU website (FORM D).

   Players can not register with a BOPRU Club until an approved International Clearance and/or transfer has been received by the BOPRU.

   There is no transfer required for players moving between Clubs and Unions in New Zealand outside of the Competition window.
During the Competition window player transfers will only be considered on application to the BOPRU Baywide Competition and Emergency Committee on the BOPRU Official Transfer Form (FORM E).

No transfer applications will be considered after **Friday 21st June 2014.**

A 7 day stand down applies after approval of **ALL** transfer applications.

Players can only be registered with one club in New Zealand at any one time.

Playing an ineligible / unregistered player may result in a club being fined up to $1,000.00 + gst and / or loss of points.

2.2 Coaches

No team will be allowed to play in any competition within the Bay of Plenty if the head coach and his/her assistants have not attended a current compulsory Rugby Smart Seminar (includes acting coach of the day and assistants). From 2014 all teams are required to have at least 2 Coaches attend a Rugby Smart Seminar.

Teams that do not comply re Coach/assistants will default games until those Coach/Assistants are accredited.

2.3 Regrading of Colts

Any Colt player who during the season is named on the official team sheet and takes the field in four (4) or more higher graded games will need regrading using the Official BOP Rugby form (FORM B) before being eligible to take the field at a lower level again. The BOPRU Baywide Competition and Emergency Committee will be responsible for all regrading.

All decisions will be at the above Committees discretion and will be subject to a review for the remainder of the season.
Players listed under the Reserves on the team sheet, will be presumed to have taken the field unless otherwise clearly indicated as not having played.

No application for Regrading will be considered after 12pm Wednesday 25th June 2014.

Prior to this date all applications for Regrades must be received by BOPRU by 12pm on the Wednesday prior to next playing day.

Exceptional cases for a Regrade will be considered by the Competitions and Emergency Committee.

2.4 Dispensation of Colts
Application for Dispensation of over age players wishing to play Colts Rugby must be on the Official BOPRFU Dispensation Form (FORM B-2). The BOPRU Emergency and Competition Committee will be responsible for all Dispensations.

All decisions will be at the above Committees discretion and will be subject to a review for the remainder of the season.

No applications for Dispensations will be considered after Wednesday 25th June 2014.

3.0 Team Sheets
3.1 All teams are to be available at least 40 minutes before a game commencing for team inspection by the referee. A regional official or club official (designated host/home club) must make him / herself known to the referee and visiting team 40 minutes before official game start time.
3.2 The designated host/home team shall provide an official triplicate team sheet book. The host/home team is required to fill out their portion of the team sheet and hand the book onto the opposition who fill out their portion. The completed form, still attached to the book is then handed onto the referee, preferably 10 to 15 minutes before game start. The form is to be completed correctly with full names of players (no initials or 1st names). No correctly completed team sheets no games to start (refer to rule regarding delayed starts 15min etc).

Referees must comply with the team sheet rule as above, prior to game start. Referees must confirm that prior to game start each teams three officials / assistants have Official bibs available to allow them on the field. NO BIBS no allowance to go onto the field by Referee.

3.3 At the conclusion of the game, managers of both teams are to confer with the referee and confirm the score and all relevant details and sign the team sheet before having the referee sign off the team sheet.

Additional players must be added to the team sheet prior to the referee signing off.

For all matches sanctioned by BOPRU the Winning team’s management/official must then either fax, email or deliver the completed team sheet and match evaluation form to the BOPRU office to arrive no later than 12pm the following Monday morning and/or if it is a mid week game, the signed team sheet and evaluation forms must be in at the office by 12pm the following morning.

In the event of a draw, it is the designated host/home team’s responsibility to complete this process.

Points for Bay of Plenty Rugby Union competitions will be collated only from the information provided in the results section of the official team sheet.
Failure by clubs to adhere to rules in this section (3.0) may result in a fine of $200.00 + gst.

3.4 EVALUATION FORMS (FORM C) are to be completed by teams when:
- Clubs feel it is necessary to notify the union that any club has not provided a safe environment for the game. This may include: comments on roping of field, field markings or facilities /conduct of players, referees, officials and supporters, OR
- A club has also been an excellent host and has managed the match to a high standard.

3.5 Any player playing under a false name may be banned for the remainder of the season. Any club playing a player under a false name will be dealt with by the BOPRU Competition and Emergency Committee.

3.6 Points:
- Win: 4 Points
- Draw: 2 Points
- One bonus point for 4 tries.
- One bonus point for a loss of 7 points or less.
- All bonus points to be earned on the field of play. Senior Local and Senior Reserve competitions, the use of bonus points may be optional/partial.

Points gained to date shall determine a team’s position in the Points Table. If points level on the Table then the higher team shall be determined by the following:
- Who beat who during the previous round or rounds played in that competition where points are accumulating.
- If still level: A count back will apply of points for and against between the level teams.
- If still level: All points for and against in that round(s).
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• If still level: Toss a coin under the control of the BOPRU Baywide Competition and Emergency Committee.
  
  **Note:** Points table will be published on the BOPRU website the following Thursday at the latest, clubs will have 14 days from the website published date to challenge points.

Final decision will be made by the BOPRU Baywide Competition and Emergency Committee

3.7 Designated Host/Home team to phone the results to their respective Regional Results Officer:
  
  Central: Helen Beckett  07 348 8027 (Home)  027 818 7530 (Mobile)
  Western:  07 578 5830 (Home)  027 244 3281 (Mobile)
  Eastern:  John Brophy  07 304 9562 (Home)  027 484 0600 (Mobile)

4.0 Ground Control

4.1 Except for the official on field teams and three official persons per team (these persons to include medical staff and water people), all spectators, team officials and reserves are to remain behind the crowd control barriers before and during the game. These three persons per team need to be clearly identified (ie fluro bibs provided to the Clubs by the BOPRU)

**No bibs no entry to field of play allowed by referee.**
4.2 Clubs should erect control barriers according to the below diagram.

Note: Reserves and Team Management must be stationary at all times in the area denoted by-
4.3 It is the responsibility of Sub Unions to ensure that all grounds under the jurisdiction meet the required standards as prescribed in the International Rugby Board Laws of the game, prior to the commencement of the season.

Failure of clubs to fulfill requirements of above shall result in the home team venue being reviewed. Home games may be reallocated to a neutral venue at the discretion of the BOPRU Baywide Competition and Emergency Committee.

4.4 Referees are to note on their match reports any Stoppages for inappropriate crowd behaviour.
If a Regional or Club delegate does not make him or herself known before the start of the game (refer rule 5.1). Any other noncompliance by teams/Clubs must be noted by the referee on the referees report.

5.0 Game Times
5.1 Provided the ground is clear, the referee is to commence time running at the appointed time.

5.2 Defaults - If a team defaults the fine may be a maximum of $1,000.00 regardless and ineligible to play until the fine is paid to Bay of Plenty Rugby Union. Any further penalty will be at the discretion of the BOPRU Baywide Competition and Emergency Committee.

Defaults are to be notified to the Bay of Plenty Rugby Union office no later than noon on the day preceding a match.

(a) Notified Defaults: Defaults where the union office has been notified no later than noon on the day preceding a match will be considered a “Notified Default”. Notified Defaults may result in a fine of up to $1,000 plus gst as determined by the BOP Rugby Competitions & Emergency Committee. Any further penalties will be at the discretion of the above committee.
(b) Late Defaults: Any default that has not been notified to the Union Office, or notified after noon on the day preceding the match will be considered a “late default”. Penalties for a late default in addition to the standard fine of up to $1,000 plus gst will include the following:

- $500 plus gst additional fine
- Reimbursement of opposition team travel costs (such costs to be supported by an invoice)
- Reimbursement of Referees travel costs

(c) The defaulting team has the responsibility to notify the opposing club, the union and the referee Manager.

Any defaults considered unwarranted by the BOPRU Baywide Competition and Emergency Committee from grades other than Premier and Division One, the same fine of $1,000.00 + gst and subsequent conditions/fines will apply.

All fines and fees related to above rules and regulations are GST exclusive.

5.3 Game start times – All Regions:
First Game 1:00pm
Second Game 2:45pm

Alternative times may be used at the discretion of Regions, but both the visiting team and the referee must be notified by noon, 4 days prior to the game.

Alternative times applied for by one club must be mutually agreed upon by the opposing club and the request must be on the Official Change of Time or Venue form (FORM G), signed by both parties and received by the Bay of Plenty Rugby Union office by noon, 4 days prior to the game.

Notification of the referee is the home team’s responsibility.
5.4 The option of playing night games at Baywide level is available to clubs providing that the lights meet the required minimum lighting levels for Clubs (160 lux) and that all the required change of time, change of venue forms are filled out and actioned. If a night game is stopped due to player safety, weather or light failure, that game must be 75% completed before a result can be achieved.

6.0 Playing Rules

6.1 Teams must have a **minimum of 15** players before taking the field. If a team nominates 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 or 20 players it must have a minimum of 3 players who are trained to play in front row positions (DSLV law update 2014).

6.2 A maximum of 22 players may be presented ready for play/replacement or substitution at the commencement of the match.

These maximum 22 players may be the players entered in the original team sheet available prior to game time.

The NZRU rules regarding nomination of players for replacement/substitution, injured players and the replacement and substituted players (i.e. Rule no’s 5 to 13) will be strictly adhered to by referees and appointed officials.

6.3 Four Contracted Player Restriction

(a) No Club can include more than 4 (four) players in its playing 22 for a match in the BOPRU club competition who, as at 5pm on the Friday before the first club match in the 2014 BOP club competition were employed on a Provincial Union Contract by the BOPRU (“Contracted Players”);

(b) The playing 22 in Rule 6.3(a) will be as submitted on the team sheet submitted to the BOPRU in respect of any match in the Bay of Plenty Club competition;
(c) Rule 6.3(a) will apply in each succeeding year with the cut-off date for players being employed on a Provincial Union Contract being 5pm on the Friday prior to the first BOP club competition match in each year;

(d) In the event that a Club includes more than 4 Contracted Players in its playing 22 for any match in the BOPRU club competition in a year, that Club will be liable to a fine of up to $1000 and/or loss of points for that match or each match in which this has occurred.

Definitions: “Provincial Union Contract” means a Provincial Union Contract as set out in Appendix 9 of the 2013 Collective Employment Agreement and as set out in any replacement to that Collective Employment Agreement.

6.4 Where BOPRU enters in a playing contract, whether a Provincial Union Contract, Provincial Union Development Contract or Academy contract from outside the BoP region in any year, the BOPRU will advise the player of rule 6.3 of these rules and encourage that Player to consider joining one of the clubs which has been signed off by the BOPRU as having sufficient coaches, team management, training facilities and resources to provide an appropriate environment for that player to develop to his reasonably expected potential.

6.5 In line with NZRU regulations, ALL players must wear an approved mouth guard throughout the game.

Players unable to produce a mouth guard at the time of inspection WILL NOT be permitted to take the field.

Players observed not wearing a mouth guard during the game will be sent from the field by the referee to obtain a mouth guard (as in the blood bin regulations).
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Law 26 NZRU (Misconduct) may be invoked by the referee for persistent offending regarding no mouth guard.

The referee has the right to send off any player he suspects to be under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

6.6 Senior Baywide & local Senior Competitions to be refereed under International Rules as all players are registered as and deemed to be Senior players.

Colts Competition to be refereed under the Additional Domestic Safety rules.

6.7 If the appointed referee does not turn up to referee, for whatever reason, the two teams need to agree upon a replacement referee. If they cannot agree, the home team appoints a referee. (Law 6.A.1 – IRB Rules of the Game)

If the replacement referee is a Registered Rugby Referee, or has completed Rugby Smart and is a Registered Associate Referee, there may be a contest in the scrums.

6.8 From the appointed time (provided rule 5.1 applies) teams have: Five minutes for local teams to be on the field before a no match is declared by the referee on that team.

Fifteen minutes for a visiting team to be on the field before a no match is declared by the referee.

Clubs have the right to protest. Refer Rule 6.11 for procedure.

The BOPRU Baywide Competition and Emergency Committee will deal with “no match” replays.
For ‘no match’ replays and postponed fixtures, the host Club has until 10am Wednesday following to suggest in writing alternative fixture details to BOPRU Office. Final decisions will be made by the BOPRU Baywide Competition and Emergency Committee

6.9 When made available the official match ball for all BOP Rugby Competitions shall be used for all Fixtures.

6.10 Any games called off by the referee or postponed, the BOPRU Baywide Competition and Emergency Committee will deal with the outcome, i.e. replay, points allocation.

6.11 Where a cause for protest is known before a match the opposing team should be notified and if the complaint is remedied then no further action will be required by the protesting team. The incident must be noted on their match day evaluation form.

If the team protested against is unable or unwilling to remedy matters then the game should be played under protest (and a written protest must be given to the referee).

Where the ground for protest is discovered during or after the game, a protest can follow after the match.

A protest should be made within 48 hours of the completion of the match, in writing to the Competitions and Emergency Committee, and be accompanied by a cheque of $200.00. This fee will be refunded unless the protest is deemed frivolous.

6.12 The protest hearing outcome may be subject to right of appeal by the affected Club. The appeal must be in writing and must be made within 7 days of receipt of protest result. The union may require a cheque of up to $1000.00 to be paid within 48 hours of notice of this requirement.
7.0 Disciplinary Process:

7.1 The NZRU Rules for Disciplinary Hearings should be referred to regarding incidents where there is a yellow card, red card, complaints, misconduct or matches called off. This can be found on the BOP Rugby website.

The Bay of Plenty Disciplinary Committee will generally hold hearings at Baypark Stadium, 6pm on the Wednesday following the incident unless otherwise notified.

7.2 All ordering off and sin bins are to be reported by the referee on the official form provided and informed to the Bay Office by the following deadlines:
- Saturday Games: 9.00 am the following Monday morning
- Sunday Games: 9.00 am the following Monday morning
- Mid-week Games: 9.00 am the following day

Referees are to record jersey numbers of sent off/sin binned players on the team sheet. All relevant sections of team sheets must be completed by the Referee.

Failure by referee to fulfill his/her obligation will result in disciplinary action by the Bay of Plenty Rugby Union.

7.3 A nil tolerance policy is in place for referee abuse from players, officials and club supporters.

Note: All incidents reported by Referees/Match officials of abuse to Referees/Match officials by Club Players/Management will be referred directly to the Disciplinary Committee.

Supporter and other abuse reported by Referee/match Officials will be referred to Complaints review officer and maybe later referred to the Disciplinary Committee.
7.4 Penalties – All penalties imposed by Disciplinary Committee will comply with the New Zealand Rugby Union Disciplinary Penalties Section 3.

Any player who is sin binned three times during the season, following written confirmation from BOPRU, shall take an automatic one week (equating to one playing day) stand down period, immediately after that fixture.

For any player who is Red Carded from the field the Bay of Plenty Rugby Union has adopted the alternative two week stand down procedure as detailed in the NZRU Disciplinary Rules (page 8).

7.5 NOTE:
Processes for Yellow Cards:
(1) All yellow cards recorded by Disciplinary Committee
(2) Two yellow cards – cautionary letter from BOPRU
(3) Three yellow cards – one week stand down or request for a hearing can be made by player / club to BOPRU office
(5) Hearing may impose further stand down period
(6) Player / Club – evidence shall only refer to identity and/or penalty factors

Processes for Red Cards:
(1) Referee’s reports sent immediately to Disciplinary Review Officer for consideration
(2) Automatic two week stand down pending the above decision
(3) Referee’s report to player / club
(4) Request for a hearing can be made by player / club to BOPRU office
(5) Player / Club advised immediately of Review Officers considerations
(6) Hearing if required to be held as soon as possible following fixture if practical
(7) All parties advised of hearing outcome as soon as possible
All forms must be filled out as per instructions for ordering off and sin bins.

7.6 BOPRU Disciplinary Committee and the Competitions and Emergency Committees decisions on fines and infringements are binding. The above Committees may impose further Disciplinary actions besides fines or stand downs on Clubs/ Persons appearing. All outcomes subject to Appeal.

8.0 Playoffs
8.1 The venue for the Baywide Clubs Finals will be determined by the BOPRU from the following format:
- If both Premier finalists are from the same region then the venue for all finals will be at their regions headquarters or designated ground.
- If the Premier finalists are from different regions, then a points system will be used to determine the finals venue:
  Finalist Premier Teams will be allocated 2 points each.
  All other grades, Division 1, Division 2, Colts, and Senior Reserves will be allocated 1 point each.
- In the event of regions being equal after the above equation, the venue will be allocated to the highest seeded Premier Finalist of the equal regions.
- To host the finals, the region must have a Premier Division Finalist.

8.2 Eligibility for Playoffs Semi Finals/Finals
To be eligible for the above all players from all grades shall need to have played in four (4) or have been available to play in (4) Competition games in that grade, of the round prior to that Playoff Semi Final/Final.
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2014 Bay of Plenty Polytechnic Secondary Schools Rugby
Compliance Rules & Guidelines
(PLEASE NOTE: Current Rules are available on the website)

1. PLAYER / COACH / TEAM ELIGABILITY

1.1 Player Eligibility
Players must be enrolled at the school they play for.

1.2 Player registration
ALL NZRU registrations MUST be completed prior to taking the field & be held by the BOPRU office on the business day before playing. All schools are given pre-printed & blank forms or can use the on-line system. New players joining mid-season will also need to complete the process.

Non-compliance will see competition points lost for relevant match.

1.3 Coach Registration
It is a requirement that all coaches attend a Rugby Smart Teenage Coaching course prior to coaching. Attending this course means a coach is registered and is able to coach rugby. It is also a great opportunity to develop and up-skill.

Teams without 2 registered coaches, will not be able to play until the coaches have completed an approved Rugby Smart Teenage Coaching course.

1.4 U13 Players
Junior Clubs have priority to U13 players who attend secondary school. If an U13 player wants to play for their school, an application must be made. The form can be found on the BOPRU website. www.boprugby.co.nz/school-rugby. The player must be released from the Junior Club and have approval from the BOPSS Dispensation Committee.

If a player is born in 2001 they play Club. If a player is born in 2000 they play for their Secondary School.

Non-compliance will see competition points lost for relevant match.
1.5 Dispensations
Dispensation to play down an age-grade can be granted to a player that has ‘limited’ rugby experience & skills and will NOT make an impact during the game. The following criteria applies:

- Maximum of 2 dispensated players per team.
- Weight-restrictions. Under 55kg for players playing down into U14 and U60kg for U15. Players will be weighed by a BOPRU official.
- No dispensations for a team if their season squad size is 22 or more. Teams can have 1 dispensated player if they have 21 in their squad.

An application must be made to dispense a player. The form can be found on the BOPRU website. www.boprugby.co.nz/school-rugby. Dispensation can be removed during the season, if that player is making an impact on the game.

Upon approval, teams must present a BOPRU letter to the opposition coach prior to kick-off.

Non-compliance will see competition points lost for relevant match.

1.6 Players shifting between teams
A player may play up a grade to assist with numbers but not across (e.g. schools who have 2 or more teams in the same grade) or down. Once a player has played up more than three games, they may not play ‘back down.’ Random checks will be completed on a selection of team sheets each week.

1.7 Playing for a Rugby Club
All Secondary School Students must play for the school they attend (unless they are Under 13 or 19 as at 1st January). Where the school cannot provide a suitable level of rugby for the student they may apply for a dispensation to play club rugby. This dispensation must be signed off by the BOPSS Dispensation Committee and their School.

1.8 Players leaving school
If a player is enrolled in a school at the start of term 2, they are eligible to play for that school for the entirety of the season.

1.9 Schools combining to form teams
Schools can combine, on the basis that it is good for the game. However,
approval is required from the schools involved, the Secondary School Committee and BOPRU. This approval is to ensure that the combination team does not see players pushed out of teams to accommodate others and to ensure that the intention is for the good of the game and not manipulative to gain a competitive advantage.

2. MATCH DAY PROTOCOL

2.1 Ground set up
It is expected that the home team provides a marked field with safety pads for goal posts and flags along side lines. Side-line ropes are required, on both sides of the field. These ropes are to create a 3m zone between the touch line and the spectators, coaches and reserves. Only the Touch Judge & 3 side-line team officials (those wearing the approved BOPRU/BOPSS vests) are allowed inside the ropes. We encourage Match Reports to be completed at the end of the game & sent to the BOPRU for collating. They can be found on the website; www.boprugby.co.nz/communityrugby

Non-compliance will see competition points lost for relevant match.

2.2 Pre-match ID process
Teams are required to carry a copy of all players Kamar photos or similar (on all schools databases), with DOB & names and present these to the opposition well prior to kick off.

Non-compliance will see competition points lost for relevant match.

2.3 Team Sheet / Results protocol
The team sheet is the true record of the result, players and discipline issues.

The Home team provides the match day team sheet book and completes their team’s details. The home team provides the book to their opposition and the opposition management needs to complete their details. Clear, full names required. At end of the match the Referee and both teams must sign the team sheet to acknowledge the result, tries scored, yellow and red cards and that compliance rules have been adhered to.

The Winning team sends a copy of the team sheet by fax (07 574 2046) or scanned / emailed to the BOPRU (clubadmin@boprugby.co.nz or kyle@
boprugby.co.nz. In the event of a draw, the home team should send the team sheet into the BOPRU. This needs to be received before Monday 5:00pm.

The Top page is retained by the winning team and middle 2nd copy left with the losing team.

Please refer below to ‘Matchday Compliance Guidelines for Coaches / Managers’

Non-compliance for a late team-sheet is the loss of 1 competition point per day it is late.

2.4 How many players a team can strip
A team can strip a maximum of 22 players. Rolling substitutions are not allowed.

2.5 What is the minimum number of players
Where a team is unable to provide 15 players (including three trained front rowers) to start the match, this team shall forfeit the competition points. The match may still be played. This is aligned with Domestic Law Variations (new 2014).

Non-compliance will see the match defaulted but played under pre-arranged conditions.

2.6 How many players must be trained to play in the front-row
If a team strips 22 players, 5 must be suitably trained to play in the front row, 15-20 (3 front-rowers), 21 (4 front rowers). If the rule is not respected a team may forfeit the match but have the game played under pre-arranged conditions (e.g. non-contested scrums). This is aligned with Domestic Law Variations.

Non-compliance will see the match defaulted but played under pre-arranged conditions. E.g. non-contested scrums.

2.7 Minimum playing time
All players in a named squad of 22 players or less at all levels of rugby below Secondary School 1st XV grades (Division 1, 2 & 3) must play a minimum of half a game each match. This is aligned with Domestic Law Variations (new
2014). Please note that it is the responsibility of management and coaches to enforce this law.

2.8 Match Duration
All BOPSS matches are 35 minutes per half.

2.9 Haka protocol
If a team wishes to perform a haka then they are required to advise the opposition and referee prior to kick off and in sufficient time to allow for the kick off to be completed at the assigned time. A haka performed pre-match is to remain behind the 10m line for the duration of the haka. The Opposition must remain behind their 10m line.

Non-compliance will see the referee start the game with a Penalty

2.10 After Match Protocol
For all Division 1, 2 or 3 games, it is expected that the host team will provide an After Match function. This will usually consist of a light meal, beverages and speeches by relevant parties (e.g. captains).

2.11 Jersey Clashes
In the event that teams have a jersey clash, the home team should wear an alternative jersey.

3. DISCIPLINE / JUDICIAL

3.1 Yellow cards
These are to be noted on the team sheet and the Referee will complete a report that goes to the Union office.

The School involved should address any issues with the player as part of normal discipline standards. The player is free to play the following week unless you are contacted by the BOPRU disciplinary committee. The BOPRU will keep a database of all yellow cards. Any action required; after multiple yellow cards (3 or more), will be driven by the BOPRU disciplinary committee.

3.2 Red Cards
This is to be noted on the team sheet and the Referee is required to submit a report to BOPRU.
At this stage there is an **AUTOMATIC 2 week suspension** period. Schools can take their own action but the player is **not to play again until** the BOPRU disciplinary committee has had a hearing & /or the school / player is advised they can play again. If called on, attendance at a hearing will be required. Schools should arrange for coaches / managers and players involved to make notes of the event as soon as possible to ensure that the accuracy of information is not lost over time.

**3.3 Sightings**
If a team or spectator wishes to ‘sight’ a player / coach / manager / spectator for misconduct / foul-play they will be required to write a recount of events, stating relevant names and/or player numbers. It is advised to ask other witnesses to write an independent recount to add creditability. Recounts should be sent to clubadmin@boprugby.co.nz

**4 REFEREES**

**4.1 Referees Appointments**
A formal appointment will be made **where ever possible**. However, all teams should be prepared to nominate a representative to complete formal training and be available to referee home games. The Union is continually running Referee trainings & courses. Contact Brent Jenkins at brent@boprugby.co.nz

If there is no referee appointed, then it is up to the home team to supply a(n)

1. Registered Ref
2. Associate Ref
3. Rugby Smart accredited coach to ref. Both coaches can ref a half each if both parties agree. In this instance scrums will be uncontested and no cards can be issued. If any discipline issues arise, then players can be replaced via the support of the relevant coach.

Referee appointments will be emailed to TIC’s and displayed on the BOPRU website.

**4.2 Defaults / Changes in Fixtures**
If you make a change to a match time, date or venue, or default a match, you must contact the referee appointments panel to inform them.
Relevant contacts:
BOPRU Referee Manger: Brent Jenkins, brent@boprugby.co.nz, 029 487 8429
BOPSS Referee Appointments: Malcolm Langdon, malcolm.langdon@clear.net.nz 021 32 4546

You should also inform Tony Marrow (Draw Steward) tmarrow@xtra.co.nz and Kyle McLean kyle@boprugby.co.nz

5 COMPETITION

5.1 Grading / Round 1 – 5 weeks.
Saturday 10th May – 7th June
- **Division 1** – 6 teams: Top 4 teams (minus 2 teams who contest the Chiefs Trophy) from previous seasons Division 1 competition + Rotorua Boys High School 2nd XV & Tauranga Boys College 2nd XV. Round robin. The winner receives the ‘Dick Littlejohn Cup.’
- **Division 2** – 6 teams. The next highest ranked 6 teams from previous season – made up of Division 1 and 2. Round Robin. Top 2 will gain promotion to Division 1.
- **Division 3** – Remaining 1st XV teams. The structure of competition depends on the number of teams.
- **2nd XV** – Grading / friendly matches
- **U15** – Grading
- **U14** - Grading

5.2 Competition round – 9 weeks
Saturday 14th June – 5th July. 26th July – 23rd August. No rugby middle and end week of July school holidays.
- **Division 1** – 8 teams. 2 Chiefs trophy sides, 4 teams from Div 1 round 1 (minus RBHS 2nd XV & TBC 2nd XV) and the top 2 qualifiers from Division 2.
- **Division 2** – 8 teams. 4 teams from Division 2 round 1, Taupo Nui-a-Tia, plus 3 teams from Division 3.
- **Division 3** – Remaining Division 3 sides + any sides gaining / wanting promotion from 2nd XV or U15 competition
- **2nd XV** – Competition format dependent on the number of teams.
- **U15 Premiership** – Top 8 ranked sides
- **U15 Championship** – 8 teams, ranked 9-16.
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- U15 Divisional – Remaining teams
- U14 Premiership – Top 8 ranked sides
- U14 Championship – 8 teams, ranked 9-16.
- U14 Divisional – Remaining teams

Please note; the format of competitions can change depending on the number of team entries and other reasons determined by the BOPSS Committee.

5.3 Semi-finals / play-offs
Saturday 16th August. Following round robin, top 4 teams will play semi-finals; 1st v 4th, 2nd v 3rd. The highest ranked team will host the semi-final. The remaining teams will play a play-off; 5th v 6th & 7th v 8th to determine rankings.

5.4 Finals Day
Saturday 23rd August. Winners of semi-finals will play finals. There will be no 3rd / 4th play-offs. Rankings for these teams will be based on the competition table. Venue(s) to be confirmed.

5.5 Te Kani Shield
The Te Kani Shield is like the Ranfurly shield for the BOPSS competition, although it is played for at both home and away games. If the challenger beats the holder, the Shield should be presented immediately after the game. It stays with the holder at the end of round robin play and is not contested for in semi-finals or finals.

5.6 Draws/Results
This information will appear on the BOPRU website www.boprugby.co.nz/school-rugby. All Teachers’ in Charge of Rugby will have the information.

5.7 Special Fixture Requests
If your school / team require a special request in regards to the draw, please contact the Draw Steward prior to the season. Such circumstances involve mid-week matches for traditional fixtures, and a home match on school ball day.

5.8 Competition Points Table
4 points for a win
2 points for a draw
1 point for scoring 4 tries
1 point for losing by 7 points or less

5.9 Seeding following Round-robin
Following Round Robin Play, teams will be ranked based on (in this order):
   1. Competition points
   2. Number of wins
   3. Number of draws
   4. Points Differential – Points ‘for’ minus points ‘against.’
   5. The winner of the match already played between the teams.
   6. Most Tries
   7. Toss of a coin

5.10 Play-off Games – In the event of a draw
If at the end of full-time the match is drawn, there will be no extra-time played. The match will be decided on (in this order):
   1. Who scored the most tries
   2. Who scored the first try
   3. Who scored the first points
   4. Who finished higher on the competition table*

* For play-off games between Rotorua Boys High School 1st XV and Tauranga Boys College 1st XV, the Super 8 competition table will apply in the event of a 0-0 draw.

5.11 National Top 4 Competition
The winner of the post-Super 8 match played between Rotorua Boys High School and Tauranga Boys College will earn the right to represent Bay of Plenty. All Co-educational schools can contest the Top 4 competition. The decision to contest the Top 4 competition must be made prior to the end of term 3. They will play the winner of RBHS and TBC.

5.12 National Co-educational Competition
The highest ranked Co-educational school following the Division 1 Championship play-offs will progress through to represent BOP. This is usually the winner of Division 1.
5.13 Chiefs Cup (1st XV)
Rotorua Boys High School and Tauranga Boys College represent Bay of Plenty and contest the Chiefs Cup

5.14 Chiefs Trophy (1st XV)
The top 2 qualifying Bay of Plenty schools from the BOPSS Division 1 competition will have the right to represent BOP the following year and contest the Chiefs Trophy. If a school declines their opportunity, then the next best ranked team will be given the opportunity.

6 REPRESENTATIVE RUGBY

6.1 BOP U18 / U16 / U16 Development
The BOP U18, U16A and U16 Development sides play in the Northern Regions competition. To be considered for selection into these teams, players need to be nominated by their coach or Teacher in Charge. Contact Chad Tuoro for more information chad@boprugby.co.nz

6.2 U15 / U14
The Western BOP, Central BOP and Eastern BOP sub-unions select regional U15 and U14 sides to play in the Chiefs regional competition. Contact the following for more information:

WBOP: Kyle McLean, kyle@boprugby.co.nz
CBOP: Helen Beckett, dabecketts@xtra.co.nz
EBOP: Tony Marrow, tmarrow@xtra.co.nz
Bay of Plenty Secondary Schools Rugby Match day Compliance Guidelines for coaches / managers

**Home Team**
1. Put ropes up around field
2. Fill in team sheet (full names)

**Away Team**

**Managers Meet (compliance check)**
1. Home team provide the team sheet to away team.
2. Away team fill in team sheet
4. Dispensated players: Provide letter from BOPRU and identify dispensated players. They shouldn’t make an impact on the game.

**Team is compliant**

**Team is not compliant**
1. Relevant players, don’t play
2. If team is still not compliant, team loses points for match.

**Play Match**

**Post-Match**
1. Confirm score with the referee
2. Both managers and referee sign team sheet to confirm score

**Winning Team**
1. Take a copy of the team sheet.
2. Fax or email a copy of the team sheet to the BOPRU by Monday 5pm: 07 574 2046 or kyle@boprugby.co.nz

**Notes**
- Teams can only strip 22 players
- All players must be registered
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