



To: Secretaries/CEO's of Unions and Regional Associations in Membership

From: David Carrigy, Head of Member Services

Subject: Law Ruling by Designated Members of Rugby Committee

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Ruling: 1: 2007

The RFU has requested a ruling with regard to Law Scrum 20.1(h)

In the letter to all Unions from the IRB dated November 29, 2006 it was stated that this amendment would apply at all levels of the game. There has been some confusion within the game in England as to whether the new Law 20.1(h) applies to Age Grade Rugby in place of the previous Age Grade Variations.

The Designated Members have ruled the following in answer to the question raised:

The amendment to Law 20.1(h) applies to all levels of the game. 'All levels of the game' encompasses and includes all stages in the Union's Player Pathway where the Laws provide for a scrum, or modified 3 person scrum to be played. By example, if a 3 person scrum is played in Under 8's, or a full scrum is played in Under 19's, or it is a game of Seven-a-side, then this Law must be applied.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'David Carrigy', is written over a light blue background.

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