



Hampshire Referees Guide to Under 19 Rugby Law Variations 2009 – 10

Age Group	Ball Size	Each Half Max	Hand Off/ Fend Off?	Pre-grip at Lineout & Lifting	Call Prior to Scrum	Equal / Min. Numbers in Scrum? YES	Max Push in Scrum	Max Wheel at Scrum	Deliberate Wheel allowed?	Scrum put in after reset, even if won against head	Scrum Half Offside	Squeeze Ball Permitted?
SANCTION/ ACTION				Free Kick	Safety	Safety	Free Kick	Reset	Penalty	Reset	Penalty	Penalty
Under 13	4	25 mins	Yes	No	CROUCH, TOUCH, PAUSE, ENGAGE	For safety reasons players must be distributed evenly. Scrum numbers. Each pack must be equal in number. One forward short = scrum without no No.8s. Two forwards short drop flankers off scrum. Minimum number in pack is 5. If team loses/is short of a three-quarter there is no need to reduce scrum	1.5 metres	45 deg	No	All age groups U13 - U19 The put-in at all re-set scrums, even when won against the head, are to the original team at the stoppage.	U13 - U15 Scrum half not throwing ball in to scrum must take up a position either at the same side of the scrum as SH throwing the ball in or behind the offside line for other players. They must remain at start position until, ball has emerged or opponent placed hands on ball.	No
Under 14	4	25 mins	Yes	No			1.5 metres	45 deg	No			No
Under 15	5	30 mins	Yes	Club Match, No. County match, Yes.			1.5 metres	45 deg	No			No
Under 16	5	35 mins	Yes	Yes			1.5 metres	45 deg	No	There is NO TURNOVER	U16 – U19 As above but defending scrum half can now follow opposing SH. Offside line is the ball. Must keep both feet behind ball. U13 – 19 SH can go anywhere on no 8 back foot, both sides of scrum in defence.	No
Under 17	5	35 mins	Yes	Yes			1.5 metres	45 deg	No			No
Under 18	5	35 mins	Yes	Yes			1.5 metres	45 deg	No			No
Under 19	5	35 mins	Yes	Yes			1.5 metres	45 deg	No			Yes

In the event of a draw, no extra time is permitted for any of the above Age Groups. Maximum time is playing time not elapsed time.

Full explanation of ELV's adopted into Law (May 2009) can be found on <http://www.irb.com>

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