

#### **Under 10**

AIM: Introduce the ruck, maul and scrum, build confidence and maximise enjoyment and involvement

# WHAT CHILDREN LEARN FROM RUGBY UNION

### TEAMWORK, RESPECT, ENJOYMENT, DISCIPLINE AND SPORTSMANSHIP

## THROUGH:

- Child-first approach and the coaching of fundamentals
- Focus of the sport for all: everyone plays
- Ability to participate not on the ability to perform
- Promotion of the social aspect of sport and multi-positional play and activity
- Development of confidence and self esteem
- Celebration of success as the learning of new skills and understanding
- Enjoyment and engagement of the player in loworganisation games.

## HOW YOU CAN HELP:

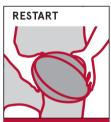
- Enjoyment: respect all of the children's rights to equal coaching and playing time
- Respect the game and its traditions of fair play, equality and inclusion
- Support the referee
- Encourage all participants and applaud effort and good play from both sides
- Make sure the players thank the referee and opposition at the end of the game.



- 60m x 35m
- Plus 3–5 metres for in goal



- Maximum 8
  players per team
- Games must have even numbers on each team



#### Used:

- To start/restart the game from the half way
- When the ball goes out
- Following infringements
- Opponents must be 7 metres back
- 3 player uncontested scrum
- Forward pass or knock on

#### THE TACKLE



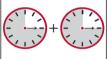
- A tackle is made when the ball carrier is held and taken to ground
- Tackler must allow the tackled player to pass or place the ball
- Tackler and tackled player must get to their feet as soon as they can





- Rolling subs are permitted
- It should only happen when there is a stoppage
- All players should get at least half a game

#### **GAME LENGTH**



- · 2 x 15 minutes
- Up to 60 minutes

### per day

## WHAT SKILLS ARE REQUIRED AT THIS LEVEL

### SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

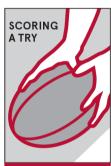
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- Confidence
- Team member
- Play fairly
- · Follow instruction

#### **SKILL FOCUS**

- · Running & Evasion
- Catching & Passing
- Tackle
- Body position
- · Ruck, maul & scrum

#### **BODY POSITION**

 Maintain Tower of Power body position at Ruck, maul and scrum



- A try is scored by placing the ball down over the opponents try line
- At this age the score is not important

#### SAFETY



 The RFU strongly recommends the wearing of mouth guards. Ideally, these should be custom made from a dental impression of the teeth