

## INTRODUCTION

As of 26 April 2021 touch rugby fixtures/festivals and contact training can take place at mini rugby level. As of 17 May full contact fixtures/festivals (as per AGLVs) can resume at mini level.

## MINI RUGBY FESTIVALS

Mini Rugby is traditionally played in festival formats involving multiple teams at each age group. This format of play brings around obvious challenges in the current pandemic situation, e.g. large gatherings. Scottish Rugby has therefore created some guidelines for playing Mini Rugby. As with all guidance, this needs to be viewed in line with the Age Grade Law Variations for each specific age groups [Micro & Mini](#), [Boys](#), [Girls](#) and up to date public health guidance ([click here](#)).

	P5/U10 & Under	P6/U11 & P7/U12
Max players / people involved in a festival	Max bubble size = 500 participants (excluding coaches, referees and volunteers) in Level 0 Bubbles <b>cannot</b> mix during the festival	Max bubble size = 500 participants (excluding coaches, referees and volunteers) in Level 0 Bubbles <b>cannot</b> mix during the festival
	Minimise the number of age groups involved in a festival at any one time to avoid unnecessary large gatherings Composite age groups teams permitted (e.g. P6+P7), playing to lowest AGLVs	
Time	Festival max playing time 50mins per player	Festival max playing time 60mins per player
Max small sided playing areas on a rugby pitch	4 x 40mx30m small sided playing areas (played in line with AGLVs) 4 x pitches (40m x 30m) per full pitch, 6 per side	2 x 60mx40m small sided playing areas (played in line with AGLVs) 8 (P6 and Girls U12) and 10 (P7) players per side
	Pitches should be clearly marked out, with a perimeter tape/barrier in place to keep parents/guardians min 2m from the pitch.	
Spectators	Spectators are permitted under specific circumstances in Level 0. Max 2,000 seated / 1,000 standing.	
Festival Organisation	Clubs should keep the overall size of the festival as small as possible. Multiple bubbles are permitted, but organisers should undertake comprehensive risk assessments to ensure that these bubbles do not mix at any time including before, during or after an activity. Once an individual has completed their activity, they should immediately vacate the 'field of play' and are then subject to household rules. The use of indoor facilities (inc. toilets) should be in line with public health advice at the time of the festival, with all relevant risk assessments undertaken.	
Contact Tracing	Clubs must collect the details of everyone who attends the festival (players, coaches, first aiders, parents etc) in accordance with Scottish Government policy. These details could be used by a contact tracing team within the local NHS board in the case of a positive test.	
Equipment	Players should arrive changed and ready to play. Changing facilities can open but are subject to strict guidelines. Players should bring their own water bottle and wash/sanitise their hands prior to and after the festival.	

REMEMBER **FACTS** FOR A SAFER SCOTLAND

**F** Face masks

**A** Avoid crowded places

**C** Clean your hands regularly

**T** 2 metres

**S** Self isolate and book a test if you have symptoms



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