MINI MID MOD RUGBY LEAGUE RULES 2014



INTRODUCTION

The QRL is committed to providing a safe and level playing field for all male and female junior participants of the game. With this in mind, the game has developed modified rules for all games played in the Under 6 to Under 12 age groups that maximise participation and safety.

It should be remembered that playing outside the following QRL Modified Rules may negate your team/club Insurance cover.

UNDER 6 TO UNDER 9

- No play-offs
- No finals
- No trophies just rounds of football fun.

<u>UNDER 10</u>

- May play an end of season round robin
- No finals
- No trophies

UNDER 11 & UNDER 12

- 4 Team final Series
- Consisting of Semi Finals, Final and Grand Final.

<u>Please note:</u> Under 6 football has been introduced with slightly modified rules to the Mini (7-8 years) rules to assist with player development. Some of the modifications are:-

- Season maximum 10 weeks per Local League.
- Eligibility players must have attained the age of 5 before commencement.
- Training maximum 1 session per week duration no longer than 45 minutes.

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MINI (INTRO) LEAGUE (Coached Games for 5 – 6 YEARS)

Player Eligibility	 Player must have attained the age of 5 before playing.
Player turning 6 in the	 Players turning 6 in the playing year can continue to play in the under 6
playing year	grade but are permitted, if both the club and the player's parents wish, to
	join the under 7 team for the remainder of the season.
Length of Season	 Season restricted to 10 weeks of fixtures between teams.
3	 An end of season carnival (where possible with a combination of zones or
	Leagues can be played).
Finals Applicable	• No
••	 End of season carnival may be played.
Number of Players	 Minimum 6 – maximum 8
Size of Field	Maximum - 68m x 30m
Football Size	Mini
Team Training	One 45 minute session per week.
Footwear and Jerseys	 All players are to play in either joggers or boots, NOT in bare feet.
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	 Playing jerseys may just be t-shirt with club logo.
	 Numbering is optional.
Coaches	Must be present on the field.
	 Both Coaches facilitate game.
	 Coaches must ensure games are played in the right spirit - fun and full
	maximum participation for all players.
Coach Qualification	A Modified Games Coach certificate is required.
Periods of Play	3 x 10 minutes (maximum)
Intervals	3 minutes
Injury Time	Nil
Minimum Playing	• Each player is to play a minimum of one unbroken period of 10 minutes.
Time per Player	This is a minimum and all players should be given maximum playing time
	where possible.
Replacement	 A player may be replaced if injured.
	 If the player feels confident to continue and is cleared by the First Aid
	Officer, the player may continue to play.
	When a player is bleeding excessively, the Referee shall direct the player to
	either leave the field for attention or seek medical attention on-field.
Sin Bin	Not applicable.
Send Off	• A player may be replaced for the balance of a period or for the rest of the
	game. This should only apply for serious misconduct.
	• If further action is required, this will be taken at the discretion of the match's
	controlling body.
Advantage Law	Applies
Play-the-Ball	No markers allowed. Fact all to be alwards with the fact
	 Football to be played backwards with the foot. The team pat in page again must retire 5 metres from the play the ball
	• The team not in possession must retire 5 metres from the play-the-ball.
	• The team in possession must retire behind the acting half-back.
	• The team not in possession must not move forward until the player with the football elects to run (Coach/referee can say 'go' to players as a signal to
	football elects to run (Coach/referee can say 'go' to players as a signal to move forward).
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Tackle Count will	After each set play or change of possession.
Start	Possession is retained for four (4) tacklesunless nullification of the tackle
	count occurs.
No Count at the Tackle After	 Player fields a kick from the start of play, restart of play, penalty kick or free high and is to check the form respective.
Tackie After	kick and is tackled before passing.
	 Player picks up a football dropped by an opponent, intercepts a pass or
	gains possession immediately after the football is deliberately played at by
	an opponent and is tackled before passing the football.
Starts of Play	Player tap kicks at a penalty or free kick and is tackled before passing.
Starts of Flay	 The non-kicking team to retire 5 metres. Football to travel 5 metres before either side touches the football.
	 At starts of play when the football travels the required 5 metres and, after
	landing in the field of play, enters touch then the kicking side will play-the-
	ball 10 metres in-field opposite to where the football entered touch with a
	zero tackle count.
Restarts of Play	The non-kicking team to retire 5 metres.
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	 The non-scoring side to restart play with a place kick (i.e. tap kick re-start)
	from the centre of the halfway.
	• Place kick restarts are to be taken in rotation by all members of the team.
Kicking in General	Not allowed
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	The non-kicking team to retire 5 metres
Goal Kicks (Optional)	Only after try.
	Punt kick in front of goal posts 5 metres out.
	Are taken in rotation by all members of the team.
Try	No points recorded.
Change of	 Acting half-back runs with the football and is tackled before scoring.
Possession	The fourth tackle.
	 A player runs or is forced into touch.
	 Football kicked in general play (subject to advantage law).
	Any kick from a start, restart of play or a penalty where the receiver from
	the non-kicking team is placed under pressure to catch the ball on the full.
	(Subject to Advantage law) The changeover will occur at the point of the
	kick.
	• Player in possession held up over opponent's goal line on tackle four (4).
	PLEASE NOTE: Dropped ball or knock-ons, if recovered by the team in
	possession it is play on. If the player falls on the loose ball, call tackle, and
	continue the tackle count. Forward passes may be judged by the on field
	coaches as play on (if marginal) or have the player stop and play the ball.
Scrums	Not applicable
Stripping of the ball	At any tackle, there is to be <u>NO</u> stripping or stealing of the ball.
Held-Up In-Goal	When an attacking player, in possession of the ball, is unable to ground the
	ball in the opponents' in goal, play is restarted with a play the ball ten (10)
	metres from the goal line opposite where the player was held up.
	 The player in possession who was held up will play the ball and the tackle
	count will continue – except after the third and last tackle when play will
	restart with a handover.
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MINI FOOTY – 7 Years

Player Eligibility	Under 7 - 5 or 6 years of age (as at 1 January)
Finals Applicable	No
Number of Players	Minimum 6 - maximum 8
Size of Field	Maximum - 68m x 30m
Football Size	Mini
Coaches	May be present on the field during Round 1 only.
	 Should any comment at any time be directed at the referee or made concerning the referee's performance, the referee will direct the coach's immediate removal from the field.
Coach Qualification	A Modified Games Coach certificate is required.
Periods of Play	4 x 10 minutes (maximum)
Intervals	 2 minutes following 1st & 3rd quarters. 5 minutes for halftime maximum.
Injury Time	Nil
Minimum Playing	• Each player is to play a minimum of one unbroken period of 10 minutes.
Time per Player	 This is a minimum and all players should be given maximum playing time where possible.
Replacement	 A player may be temporarily replaced if injured but for a maximum of 3 minutes at any one time. If the 3 minute period is exceeded, the replacement is permanent. Temporary replacement (3 minutes) is to count as part of the injured
	 When a player is bleeding excessively, the Referee shall direct the player to either leave the field for attention or seek medical attention on-field.
Sin Bin	Not applicable.
Send Off	 A player may be replaced for the balance of a period or for the rest of the game. However, a player who was replaced for misconduct and resumes playing later in the game AND is guilty of further misconduct MUST be dismissed without replacement If further action is required, this will be taken at the discretion of the match's controlling body.
Advantage Law	Applies
Play-the-Ball: HOW	 No markers allowed. Football to be played backwards with the foot. The team not in possession must retire 5 metres from the play-the-ball. The team in possession must retire behind the acting half-back. The team not in possession must not move forward until the football is in the hands of the first receiver or the acting half-back elects to run or mishandles the ball.
Passing	 1 pass - if the team in possession play the ball <u>within</u> their own quarter way line. 2 or more – if the team in possession play the ball <u>outside</u> their own quarter way line.
Tackle Count will Start	 After each set play or change of possession. Possession is retained for four (4) tacklesunless nullification of the count occurs.

 Player fields a kick from the start of play, restart of play, penalty kick of kick and is tackled before passing. Player picks up a football dropped by an opponent, intercepts a pass price passing immediately after the football is deliberately played. 	or free
 Player picks up a football dropped by an opponent, intercepts a pass 	
gains possession immediately after the football is deliberately played	at by
an opponent and is tackled before passing the football.	
Player tap kicks at a penalty or free kick and is tackled before passing	g.
• The non-kicking team to retire 5 metres.	
 Football to travel 5 metres before either side touches the football. 	
 At starts of play when the football travels the required 5 metres and, a 	
landing in the field of play, enters touch then the kicking side will play	
ball 10 metres in-field opposite to where the football entered touch wi	th a
zero tackle count.	
• The non-kicking team to retire 5 metres.	
The non-scoring side to restart play with a place kick (i.e. tap kick re-	start)
from the centre of the halfway.	
Place kick restarts are to be taken in rotation by all members of the term	eam.
Kicking in General • Not allowed	
Play	
Goal Line Drop Out • The non-kicking team to retire 5 metres	
1/4 Way Optional Kick • The non-kicking team to retire 5 metres	
Penalty Kicks • The non-kicking team to retire 5 metres	
Goal Kicks • Only after a try.	
 Place kick or drop kick in front of goal posts 5 metres out. 	
Are taken in rotation by all members of the team.	
A goal shall count 2 points.	
Try • A Try shall count 4 points.	
• Knock-on, forward pass or an infringement by both sides.	
Possession If after being tackled a player accidentally loses possession.	
 Acting half-back or first receiver runs with the football and is tackled b 	efore
scoring. *Refer to Passing Law.	
An onside player runs from the scrum and is caught in possession.	
The fourth tackle.	
A player runs or is forced into touch.	
 Football kicked in general play (subject to advantage law). 	
Any kick from a start, restart of play or a penalty where the receiver fr	
non-kicking team is placed under pressure to catch the ball on the ful	
(subject to Advantage Law) The changeover will occur at the point of kick.	the
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side before entering touch to the kicking team.	icking
 Following an infringement involving the referee, touch judge or specta 	ator
 Referee accidentally blows whistle to the team last in possession or v 	
last touched the ball.	who who
 Football bursts in general play to the team last in possession. 	
Scrums • Not applicable	
Second Conversion• When a try has been scored in the same play in which the act of	
misconduct occurred or in the immediate play thereafter, the penalty	kick
awarded for the offence will be deemed a 'second conversion' (place	
drop kick). Refer to National Safe Play Code: Advantage Play & The	
Play Code – Page 4, Item 3.	
Stripping of the ball • At any tackle, there is to be <u>NO</u> stripping or stealing of the ball.	
Held-Up In-Goal • When an attacking player, in possession of the ball, is unable to grou	nd the
ball in the opponents' in goal, play is restarted with a play the ball ten	
metres from the goal line opposite where the player was held up.	
 The player in possession who was held up will play the ball and the tag 	
count will continue – except after the third and last tackle when play w	vill
restart with a change of possession.	

MINI FOOTY – 8 Years

Player Eligibility	Under 8 - 6 or 7 years of age (as at 1 January)
Finals Applicable	No
Number of Players	Minimum 6 – maximum 8
Size of Field	Maximum - 68m x 30m
Football Size	Mini
Coaches	May be present on the field during Round 1 only.
	• Should any comment at any time be directed at the referee or made concerning the referee's performance, the referee will direct the coach's immediate removal from the field.
Coach Qualification	A Modified Games Coach certificate is required.
Periods of Play	4 x 10 minutes (maximum)
Intervals	 2 minutes following 1st & 3rd quarters.
	5 minutes for halftime maximum.
Injury Time	Nil
Minimum Playing Time per Player	 Each player is to play a minimum of one unbroken period of 10 minutes. This is a minimum and all players should be given maximum playing time where possible.
Replacement	 A player may be temporarily replaced if injured but for a maximum of 3 minutes at any one time. If the 3 minute period is exceeded, the replacement is permanent. Temporary replacement (3 minutes) is to count as part of the injured player's playing time.
	 player's playing time. When a player is bleeding excessively, the Referee shall direct the player to either leave the field for attention or seek medical attention on-field.
Sin Bin	Not applicable.
Send Off	 A player may be replaced for the balance of a period or for the rest of the game. However, a player who was replaced for misconduct and resumes playing later in the game AND is guilty of further misconduct MUST be dismissed without replacement If further action is required, this will be taken at the discretion of the match's controlling body.
Advantage Law	Applies
Play-the-Ball	 No markers allowed. Football to be played backwards with the foot. The team not in possession must retire 5 metres from the play-the-ball. The team in possession must retire behind the acting half-back. The team not in possession must not move forward until the football is in the hands of the first receiver or the acting half-back elects to run or mishandles the ball.
Passing	 1 pass - if the team in possession play the ball <u>within</u> their own quarter way line. 2 or more – if the team in possession play the ball <u>outside</u> their own quarter way line.
Tackle Count will Start	 After each set play or change of possession. Possession is retained for four (4) tacklesunless nullification of the count occurs.

No Count at the Tackle After	 Player fields a kick from the start of play, restart of play, penalty kick or free kick and is tackled before passing
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	an opponent and is tackled before passing the football.
	 Player tap kicks at a penalty or free kick and is tackled before passing.
Starts of Play	 The non-kicking team to retire 5 metres.
	 Football to travel 5 metres before either side touches the football.
	 At starts of play when the football travels the required 5 metres and, after
	landing in the field of play, enters touch then the kicking side will play-the-
	ball 10 metres in-field opposite to where the football entered touch with a
	zero tackle count.
Restarts of Play	The non-kicking team to retire 5 metres.
-	• The non-scoring side to restart play with a place kick (i.e. tap kick re-start)
	from the centre of the halfway. The football does not have to travel any
	prescribed distance.
	• Place kick restarts are to be taken in rotation by all members of the team.
Kicking in General Play	Not allowed
Goal Line Drop Out	The non-kicking team to retire 5 metres
1/4 Way Optional Kick	The non-kicking team to retire 5 metres
Penalty Kicks	The non-kicking team to retire 5 metres
Goal Kicks	Only after a try.
	 Place kick or drop kick in front of goal posts 5 metres out.
	 Are taken in rotation by all members of the team.
	 A goal shall count 2 points.
Try	A Try shall count 4 points.
Change of	Knock-on/forward pass.
Possession	 If after being tackled a player accidentally loses possession.
	Acting half-back or first receiver runs with the football and is tackled before
	scoring. * Refer to Passing Law.
	 An onside player runs from the scrum and is caught in possession.
	The fourth tackle.
	 A player runs or is forced into touch.
	 Football kicked in general play (subject to advantage law).
	Any kick from a start, restart of play or a penalty where the receiver from the
	non-kicking team is placed under pressure to catch the ball on the full.
	(Subject to Advantage law) The changeover will occur at the point of the
	kick.
	• Player in possession held up over opponent's goal line on tackle four (4).
Scrum – Where	10 metres in from touch
Formed	 10 metres from the goal line
Scrums – When	
Formed	 Infringement by both sides except on last tackle. At the penalty kick the opposition touches the football before it crosses the
	• At the penalty kick the opposition touches the tootball before it crosses the touch line.
	 There is an infringement involving the referee, touch judge or spectator.
	 Referee accidentally blows whistle.
	 Football bursts in general play.

Scrums – How	 5 players from each team.
Formed	 Two sets must pack with backs parallel to the ground.
	 Face opponent's goal line until football has emerged from scrum.
	Props keep both feet on the ground.
	 No pushing, pulling or rotating.
	 Football to go in the tunnel.
	 Only the hookers may strike for the football.
	 Football to emerge from behind the inside leg of the prop forwards.
Scrums – General	• Are completely de-powered and form up to satisfy the following instructions:
Notes	Form – Engage – Hold.
	• All players NOT in the scrum are to retire behind their last row of forwards.
	 To avoid a changeover there must be one pass if the onside player runs
	and does not score i.e. Tackle 1.
Second Conversion	 When a try has been scored in the same play in which the act of
	misconduct occurred or in the immediate play thereafter, the penalty kick
	awarded for the offence will be deemed a 'second conversion' (place or
	drop kick). Refer to National Safe Play Code: Advantage Play & The Safe
	Play Code – Page 4, Item 3.
Stripping of the ball	 At any tackle, there is to be <u>NO</u> stripping or stealing of the ball.
Held-Up In-Goal	• When an attacking player, in possession of the ball, is unable to ground the
	ball in the opponents' in goal, play is restarted with a play the ball ten (10)
	metres from the goal line opposite where the player was held up.
	• The player in possession who was held up will play the ball and the tackle
	restart with a change of possession.
Stripping of the ball	 and does not score i.e. Tackle 1. When a try has been scored in the same play in which the act of misconduct occurred or in the immediate play thereafter, the penalty kick awarded for the offence will be deemed a 'second conversion' (place or drop kick). Refer to National Safe Play Code: Advantage Play & The Safe Play Code – Page 4, Item 3. At any tackle, there is to be <u>NO</u> stripping or stealing of the ball. When an attacking player, in possession of the ball, is unable to ground the ball in the opponents' in goal, play is restarted with a play the ball ten (10) metres from the goal line opposite where the player was held up. The player in possession who was held up will play the ball and the tackle count will continue – except after the third and last tackle when play will

MID LEAGUE – 9 & 10 Years

Player Eligibility	Under 9 - 7 or 8 years of age (as at 1 January)
	Under 10 - 8 or 9 years of age (as at 1 January)
Finals Applicable	• No
	Under 10 end of season carnival may be played
Number of Players	Minimum 8 – maximum 11
Size of Field	• Maximum - 80m x 50m.
	Where the number of players in either one team or both teams falls to the
	minimum number of eight it is recommended that a mini field be used.
Coaches	 Coaches are not to be on the field at any time during play.
Football Size	9 Years – Mini
	10 Years - Mod
Coach Qualification	A Modified Games Coach certificate is required.
Periods of Play	• 2 x 20 minutes (maximum)
Intervals	 2 minutes following 1st & 3rd quarters (if applicable)
	Max 5 minutes halftime.
Injury Time	• Nil
Minimum Playing	• Each player is to play a minimum of one unbroken half of a match.
Time per Player	A player, having played an unbroken half of a match and been replaced,
	may be used in the latter half of a match to replace a player who has also
	completed an unbroken half or for a player who has been injured or
	suspended.
Replacement	A player may be temporarily replaced if injured but for a maximum of 3
	minutes at any one time.
	 If the 3 minute period is exceeded, the replacement is permanent. Temperary replacement (2 minutes) is to sevent as part of the injurged
	 Temporary replacement (3 minutes) is to count as part of the injured player's playing time.
	 When a player is bleeding excessively, the Referee shall direct the player to
	• when a player is bleeding excessively, the Referee shall direct the player to either leave the field for attention or seek medical attention on-field.
Sin Bin	 Not applicable.
Send Off	 A player may be replaced for the balance of a period or for the rest of the
	 A player may be replaced for the balance of a period of for the rest of the game.
	 However, a player replaced for a period who resumed playing in a later
	period AND is guilty of further misconduct MUST be dismissed without
	replacement.
	 If further action is required, this will be taken at the discretion of the match's
	controlling body.
Advantage Law	Applies
Play-the-Ball	One marker to always be present.
-	Football to be played backwards with the foot.
	• The team not in possession including the marker is not to move forward till
	the football is in the hands of the first receiver unless the acting half-back
	runs, kicks or mishandles the football.
	• Players of the side not in possession, apart from the marker, must retire 5
	metres from the play-the-ball area.
	The team in possession must retire behind the acting halfback.

Passing	 1 pass - if the team in possession play the ball <u>within</u> their own quarter way line.
	 2 or more – if the team in possession play the ball <u>outside</u> their own quarter way line.
	 Should a player kick the football in general play and the football is
	regathered by that player who kicked or by an onside player of the same
	team, this is also a transfer of the football and is to be regarded as a pass.
Tackle Count will	 After each set play or change of possession.
Start	 Possession is retained for six (6) tacklesunless nullification of the tackle
	count occurs.
No Count at the	Player fields a kick from the start of play, restart of play, penalty kick or free
Tackle After	kick and is tackled before passing.
	Player fields a permissible kick by an opponent in general play and is
	tackled before passing.
	 Player picks up a football dropped by an opponent, intercepts a pass or
	gains possession immediately after the football is deliberately played at by
	an opponent and is tackled before passing the football.
	Player tap kicks at a penalty or free kick and is tackled before passing.
Starts of Play	The non-kicking team to retire 10 metres.
	Football to travel 10 metres in a forward direction before either side touches
Destants of Disv	the football.
Restarts of Play	Non-kicking team to retire 10 metres.
	 Non-scoring side to restart play with a place kick from the centre of the halfway.
	 The football to travel 10 metres in a forward direction before either side touches the football.
	 For other kicks to restart play, the non-kicking team is to retire at least 10
	metres.
	 At starts and restarts of play, if the football travels the required 10 metres
	and, after landing in the field of play, enters touch then the kicking side will
	have a play-the-ball 10 metres in-field opposite to where the football
Kicking in General	entered touch with a zero tackle count.
Kicking in General Play	 Allowable (no bomb like kicks & no field goals). The International Law that applies to 40/20 kicks DOES NOT APPLY to the
. iay	 The international Law that applies to 40/20 kicks DOES NOT AFFLY to the mid (Under 9 & 10) league game.
Goal Line Drop Out	 The non-kicking team to retire 10 metres
1/4 Way Optional Kick	 The non-kicking team to retire 10 metres
Penalty Kicks	The non-kicking team to retire 10 metres
Goal Kicks	Only after a try.
	 Place kick or drop kick in front of goal posts 10 metres out.
	Are taken in rotation by all members of the team.
	A goal shall count as 2 points.
Try	A try shall count as 4 points.

Change of	
Change of	Knock-on or forward pass.
Possession	 If after being tackled a player accidentally loses possession.
	Acting half-back or first receiver runs with the football and is tackled before
	scoring. *See passing within own quarter way line.
	 An onside player runs from the scrum and is caught in possession.
	The sixth tackle.
	 A player runs or is forced into touch.
	Kick in general play goes into touch on the full. (Change of possession
	where kicked).
	Kick in general play lands in field of play and bounces into touch. (Change
	of possession 10 metres in from where the football crossed the touch line).
	 Football is touched by the non-kicking team before going into touch.
	(Change of possession to kicking side).
	Any kick where the receiver from the non-kicking team is placed under
	pressure to catch the ball on the full. (Subject to Advantage law) The
	changeover will occur at the point of the kick.
	• Player in possession held up over opponent's goal line on tackle six (6).
Scrum – Where	10 metres in from touch
Formed	10 metres from the goal line
Scrums – When	Infringement by both sides except on last tackle.
Formed	• At the penalty kick the opposition touches the football before it crosses the
	touch line.
	• There is an infringement involving the referee, touch judge or spectator.
	Referee accidentally blows whistle.
	Football bursts in general play.
Scrums – How	5 players from each team.
Formed	Two sets must pack with backs parallel to the ground.
	Face opponent's goal line until football has emerged from scrum.
	 Props keep both feet on the ground.
	No pushing, pulling or rotating.
	• Football to go in the tunnel.
	 Only the hookers may strike for the football.
	 Football to emerge from behind the inside leg of the prop forwards.
Scrums – General	 Are completely de-powered and form up to satisfy the following instructions:
Notes	Form – Engage – Hold.
	• All players NOT in the scrum are to retire behind their last row of forwards.
	• In $9 - 10$ years, to avoid a changeover there must be one pass if the onside
	player runs and does not score i.e. Tackle 1.
Second Conversion	When a try has been scored in the same play in which the act of
	misconduct occurred or in the immediate play thereafter, the penalty kick
	awarded for the offence will be deemed a 'second conversion' (place or
	drop kick). Refer to National Safe Play Code: Advantage Play & The Safe
	Play Code – Page 4, Item 3.
Stripping of the ball	At any tackle, there is to be <u>NO</u> stripping or stealing of the ball.
Held-Up In-Goal	When an attacking player, in possession of the ball, is unable to ground the
	ball in the opponents' in goal, play is restarted with a play the ball ten (10)
	metres from the goal line opposite where the player was held.
	 The player in possession who was held up will play the ball and the tackle
	count will continue – except after the fifth and last tackle when play will
	restart with a change of possession.

MOD LEAGUE – 11 Years

Player Eligibility • Under 11	9 or 10 years of age as at 1 January)
	iership competition may be played with a final four (4) contesting
	es consisting of Semi-Finals, Final and Grand Final.
	9 – maximum 13
Size of Field • Full Size (100m x 68m)
	number of players in either team falls to the minimum number of
	s recommended that a mid field be used.
Football Size • Mod	
Coaches • Coaches	are not to be on the field at any time during play.
Coach Qualification • A Modified	Games Coach certificate is required.
	utes (maximum)
Intervals • 5 minutes	for halftime maximum.
	ed in finals
	er is to play a minimum of one unbroken half of a match.
	naving played an unbroken half of a match and been replaced,
	ed in the latter half of a match to replace a player who has also
	an unbroken half or for a player who has been injured or
Replacement A player n	
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	nute period is exceeded, the replacement is permanent.
	replacement (3 minutes) is to count as part of the injured
	aying time.
	ayer is bleeding excessively, the Referee shall direct the player to
	e the field for attention or seek medical attention on-field.
Sin Bin • Not applic	able.
Send Off • A player n	hay be replaced for the balance of a half or for the rest of the
game.	
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	game AND is guilty of further misconduct MUST be dismissed
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controlling	•
Advantage Law • Applies	body.
	er is to be always present.
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The team	in possession must retire behind the acting halfback.
The team	not in possession including the marker is not to move till the
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	s a transfer of the football and is to be regarded as a pass.
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Tackle After	kick and is tackled before passing.
	 Player fields a permissible kick by an opponent in general play and is tackled before passing.
	 Player picks up a football dropped by an opponent, intercepts a pass or
	gains possession immediately after the football is deliberately played at by
	an opponent and is tackled before passing the football.
	Player tap kicks at a penalty or free kick and is tackled before passing.
Starts of Play	The non-kicking team to retire 10 metres.
	 Football to travel 10 metres in a forward direction before either side touches the football.
Restarts of Play	The non-kicking team to retire 10 metres.
	• The non-scoring side to restart play with a place kick from the centre of the
	halfway.
	The football to travel 10 metres in a forward direction before either side
	touches the football.
	• For other kicks to restart play, the non-kicking team is to retire at 10 metres.
	 At starts and restarts of play, if the football travels the required 10 metres and, after landing in the field of play, enters touch then the kicking side will
	play-the-ball 10 metres in-field opposite to where the football entered touch
	with a <u>zero</u> tackle count.
Kicking in General	Allowable (no bomb like kicks & no field goals).
Play	• The International Law that applies to 40/20 kicks DOES NOT APPLY.
Goal Line Drop Out	The non-kicking team to retire 10 metres
1/4 Way Optional kick	The non-kicking team to retire 10 metres
Penalty Kicks	The non-kicking team to retire 10 metres
Goal Kicks	Only after a try.
	• Place kick or drop kick in front of goal posts no closer than 10 metres out.
	Are taken in rotation by all members of the team.
T	A goal shall count as 2 points.
Try Change of	A try shall count as 4 points.
Possession	Knock-on or forward pass.If after being tackled a player accidentally loses possession.
	 Acting half-back or first receiver runs with the football and is tackled before
	scoring. * Refer to Passing law.
	 An onside player runs from the scrum and is caught in possession.
	The sixth tackle.
	A player runs or is forced into touch.
	Kick in general play goes into touch on the full. (Change of possession
	where kicked).
	• Kick in general play lands in field of play and bounces into touch. (Change
	of possession 10 metres in from where the football crossed the touch line).Football is touched by the non-kicking team before going into touch.
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	 Any kick where the receiver from the non-kicking team is placed under
	pressure to catch the ball on the full. (Subject to Advantage law) The
	changeover will occur at the point of the kick.
	Player in possession held up over opponent's goal line on tackle six (6).
Scrum – Where	10 metres in from touch
Formed	10 metres from the goal line
Scrums – When	Infringements by both sides except after the last play the ball.
Formed	At the penalty kick the opposition touches the football before it crosses the
	touch line.
	 There is an infringement involving the referee, touch judge or spectator. Beferee accidentally blows whistle
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Scrums – How Formed	 6 players from each team. Two sets must pack with backs parallel to the ground. Face opponent's goal line until football has emerged from scrum. Props keep both feet on the ground. No pushing, pulling or rotating. Football to go in the tunnel. Only the hookers may strike for the football.
Scrums – General Notes	 Football to emerge from behind the inside leg of the prop forwards. Are completely de-powered and form up to satisfy the following instructions: Form – Engage – Hold. All players NOT in the scrum are to retire behind their last row of forwards. To avoid a changeover there must be one pass if the onside player runs and does not score ie. Tackle 1.
Second Conversion	 When a try has been scored in the same play in which the act of misconduct occurred or in the immediate play thereafter, the penalty kick awarded for the offence will be deemed a 'second conversion' (place or drop kick). Refer to National Safe Play Code: Advantage Play & The Safe Play Code – Page 4, Item 3.
Stripping of the ball	• At any tackle, there is to be <u>NO</u> stripping or stealing of the ball.
Held-Up In-Goal	 When an attacking player, in possession of the ball, is unable to ground the ball in the opponents' in goal, play is restarted with a play the ball ten (10) metres from the goal line opposite where the player was held up. The player in possession who was held up will play the ball and the tackle count will continue – except after the fifth and last tackle when play will restart with a change of possession.

MOD LEAGUE – 12 Years

Player Eligibility	Under 12 (10 or 11 years of age as at 1 January)
Finals Applicable	 A full premiership competition may be played with a final four (4) contesting a
	final series consisting of Semi-Finals, Final and Grand Final.
Number of Players	 Minimum 9 – maximum 13
Size of Field	Full Size (100m x 68m)
	 Where the number of players in either team falls to the minimum number of
	 where the number of players in either team fails to the minimum number of nine (9) it is recommended that a mid field be used.
Football Size	Mod
Coaches	
Coach Qualification	Coaches are not to be on the field at any time during play.
	A Modified Games Coach certificate is required.
Periods of Play Intervals	2 x 25 minutes (maximum)
	5 minutes for halftime maximum.
Injury Time	Only allowed in finals
Minimum Playing Time per Player	 Each player is to play a minimum of one unbroken half of a match. A player, having played an unbroken half of a match and been replaced, may be used in the latter half of a match to replace a player who has also completed an unbroken half or for a player who has been injured or suspended.
Replacement	 A player may be temporarily replaced if injured but for a maximum of 3 minutes at any one time.
	• If the 3 minute period is exceeded, the replacement is permanent.
	• Temporary replacement (3 minutes) is to count as part of the injured player's
	playing time.
	• When a player is bleeding excessively, the Referee shall direct the player to either leave the field for attention or seek medical attention on-field.
Sin Bin	Not applicable.
Send Off	 A player may be replaced for the balance of a half or for the rest of the game. However, a player who was replaced for misconduct and resumes playing later in the game AND is guilty of further misconduct MUST be dismissed without replacement. If further action is required, this will be taken at the discretion of the match's controlling body.
Advantage Law	Applies
Play-the-Ball	One marker is to be always present.
	 Football to be played backwards with the foot.
	• The team not in possession, apart from the marker, must retire 5 metres from the play-the-ball.
	 The team in possession must retire behind the acting halfback.
	• The team not in possession including the marker is not to move till the football is in the hands of the first receiver unless the acting half-back runs, kicks or mishandles the football.
Passing	• 1 pass - if the team in possession play the ball within their own quarter way
	line.
	 2 or more – if the team in possession play the ball <u>outside</u> their own quarter way line.
	• If a player kicks the football in general play and the football is regathered by that player who kicked or by an onside player of the same team, this is counted as a transfer of the football and is to be regarded as a pass.
Tackle Count will	
Start	 After each set of play or change of possession. Possession is retained for six (6) tacklesunless nullification of the count occurs.

No Count at the	Player fields a kick from the start of play, restart of play, penalty kick or free	
Tackle After	kick and is tackled before passing.	
	 Player fields a permissible kick by an opponent in general play and is tackled before passing. 	
	 Player picks up a football dropped by an opponent, intercepts a pass or gains possession immediately after the football is deliberately played at by an opponent and is tackled before passing the football. 	
	 Player tap kicks at a penalty or free kick and is tackled before passing. 	
Starts of Play	 The non-kicking team to retire 10 metres. 	
	 Football to travel 10 metres in a forward direction before either side touches the football. 	
Restarts of Play	 The non-kicking team to retire 10 metres. 	
	 The non-scoring side to restart play with a place kick from the centre of the halfway. 	
	 The football to travel 10 metres in a forward direction before either side touches the football. 	
	• For other kicks to restart play, the non-kicking team is to retire at 10 metres.	
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	and, after landing in the field of play, enters touch then the kicking side will	
	play-the-ball 10 metres in-field opposite to where the football entered touch	
	with a <u>zero</u> tackle count.	
Kicking in General	 Allowable (no bomb like kicks & no field goals). 	
Play	 The 40/20 NRL International Laws of the Game applies. 	
Goal Line Drop Out	The non-kicking team to retire 10 metres	
1/4 Way Optional Kick	The non-kicking team to retire 10 metres	
Penalty Kicks	The non-kicking team to retire 10 metres	
Goal Kicks	Only after a try.	
	Place kick only no closer than 10 metres out.	
	• The conversion attempt for any try scored between the touch line and a line	
	10 metres in field from touch must be taken on the line 10 metres in from touch.	
	 All other conversion attempts shall be taken in line with where they are 	
	scored. (As per international law)	
	 Are taken in rotation by all members of the team. 	
	 A goal shall count as 2 points. 	
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Change of Possession	 Acting half-back or first receiver runs with the football and is tackled before scoring. ** Refer to Passing Law. If after being tackled a player accidentally loses possession. The sixth tackle. A player runs or is forced into touch. Kick in general play goes into touch on the full. (Change of possession where kicked). Kick in general play lands in field of play and bounces into touch. (Change of possession 10 metres in from where the football crossed the touch line). Football is touched by the non-kicking team before going into touch. (Change of possession to kicking side). Any kick where the receiver from the non-kicking team is placed under pressure to catch the ball on the full. (Subject to Advantage law) The changeover will occur at the point of the kick. Player in possession held up over opponent's goal line on tackle six (6).
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Formed	Two sets must pack with backs parallel to the ground.
	Face opponent's goal line until football has emerged from scrum.
	Props keep both feet on the ground.
	No pushing, pulling or rotating.
	Football to go in the tunnel.
	Only the hookers may strike for the football.
	Football to emerge from behind the inside leg of the prop forwards.
Scrums – General	• Are completely de-powered and form up to satisfy the following instructions:
Notes	Form – Engage – Hold.
	• All players NOT in the scrum are to retire behind their last row of forwards.
	• The onside player can run from the base of the scrum without risking a changeover ie. Tackle 1.
Second Conversion	 When a try has been scored in the same play in which the act of misconduct occurred or in the immediate play thereafter, the penalty kick awarded for the offence will be deemed a 'second conversion' (place or drop kick). Refer to National Safe Play Code: Advantage Play & The Safe Play Code – Page 4, Item 3.
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