

RFL Community Game Rules and Fees Chart 2026

To support the introduction of consistent standards across the Community Game for the 2026 season, the following table brings together the key operational details for each age group and format. This includes match duration, tackle height, ball size, sin bin times, extra time procedures, substitutions, and the standardised match official fees. -time procedures, substitutions, and the standardised match official fees.

Male - Open Age and Youth and Junior										
	International Laws	Players	Duration played in equal halves	Tackle height	Ball size	Sin Bin	Extra time if needed	Substitutions	Referee fee	TJ fee
U12	All except 40/20	13	40 minutes	Armpit	4	5	5 e/w (GP)	Unlimited	25	18
U13	All except 40/20	13	50 minutes	Armpit	4	5	5 e/w (GP)	Unlimited	30	18
U14	All except 40/20	13	50 minutes	Armpit	5	5	5 e/w (GP)	Unlimited	30	18
U15	All except 40/20	13	60 minutes	Armpit	5	5	5 e/w (GP)	Unlimited	30	18
U16	All except 40/20	13	60 minutes	Armpit	5	5	5 e/w (GP)	Unlimited	30	18
U17	All except 40/20	13	70 minutes	Armpit	5	10	5 e/w (GP)	Unlimited	30	18
U18	All except 40/20	13	70 minutes	Armpit	5	10	5 e/w (GP)	Unlimited	30	18
U19	All except 40/20	13	70 minutes	Armpit	5	10	5 e/w (GP)	Unlimited	30	18
Open Age Tier 4	All except 40/20	13	80 minutes	Armpit	5	10	5 e/w (GP)	Unlimited	35	18
National League Tier 3	All except 40/20*	13	80 minutes	Armpit	5	10	5 e/w (GP)	Unlimited	40	20

* Unless touch judges are appointed

Female - Open Age and Youth and Junior										
	International Laws	Players	Duration played in equal halves	Tackle height	Ball size	Sin Bin	Extra time if needed	Substitutions	Referee fee	TJ fee
U12	All except 40/20	13	40 minutes	Armpit	4	5	5 e/w (GP)	Unlimited	25	18
U13	All except 40/20	13	50 minutes	Armpit	4	5	5 e/w (GP)	Unlimited	30	18
U14	All except 40/20	13	50 minutes	Armpit	4	5	5 e/w (GP)	Unlimited	30	18
U15	All except 40/20	13	60 minutes	Armpit	4	5	5 e/w (GP)	Unlimited	30	18
U16	All except 40/20	13	60 minutes	Armpit	4	5	5 e/w (GP)	Unlimited	30	18

U17	All except 40/20	13	70 minutes	Armpit	4	10	5 e/w (GP)	Unlimited	30	18
U18	All except 40/20	13	70 minutes	Armpit	4	10	5 e/w (GP)	Unlimited	30	18
U19	All except 40/20	13	70 minutes	Armpit	5	10	5 e/w (GP)	Unlimited	30	18
Open Age	All except 40/20	13	80 minutes	Armpit	5	10	5 e/w (GP)	Unlimited	35	18

Education										
	International Laws	Players	Duration played in equal halves	Tackle height	Ball size	Sin Bin	Extra time if needed	Substitutions	Referee fee	TJ fee
Year 7	All except 40/20	13	40 minutes	Armpit	4	5	5 e/w (GP)	Unlimited	25	18
Year 8	All except 40/20	13	50 minutes	Armpit	4	5	5 e/w (GP)	Unlimited	30	18
Year 9	All except 40/20	13	50 minutes	Armpit	4	5	5 e/w (GP)	Unlimited	30	18
Year 10	All except 40/20	13	60 minutes	Armpit	4	5	5 e/w (GP)	Unlimited	30	18
Year 11	All except 40/20	13	60 minutes	Armpit	4	5	5 e/w (GP)	Unlimited	30	18
Colleges	All except 40/20	13	70 minutes	Armpit	5	10	5 e/w (GP)	Unlimited	30	18
Open Age	All except 40/20	13	80 minutes	Armpit	5	10	5 e/w (GP)	Unlimited	35	18
Festival	As stated in festival rules							Unlimited	40	