



SENIOR CLUB LEADERS SEASON GUIDE

2024-2025 Season: Info, Tools and
Resources for Coaches, Players,
Administrators and Officials



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ON-FIELD CLUB RESOURCES

- **[Squad Size and Game-On Guidelines \(here\)](#)**

Quick reference tool for Premier + Men's D1 (no 'game-on')
Women's D1, Men's D2 and Men's D3 (game-on available)

- **[Game On \(limited numbers\) requests can be submitted here](#)**

Please fill this out at least 24 hours ahead of kickoff if you have fewer than 18 players available (WD1, MD2, MD3 only)

- **[Access our Key Focus Areas Video Guide \(here\)](#)**

Key Language and Common pictures to **align Players, Coaches, Officials, and Spectators** on what happens most often in our game

- **[Access our guide to 2024 Global Law Updates \(here\)](#)**

A quick reference tool to the THREE global law changes that will come into BC Rugby Competitions for 2024-2025

- **[Rules of Competition \(you can find the senior and junior ROC here\)](#)**

Full version of everything governing teams in BC Rugby Competitions



ON-FIELD SUPPORT (AT TRAINING OR PRESENTATION)

- **Referee at Training or Presentation Request:**
<https://forms.office.com/r/YRA7hDVzW2>

This is available to any member club team(s). Please try to submit request at least 1 week of the desired date of team training or presentation.

- **Training Sessions include set piece, breakdown, defensive/attacking patters (space), contextual understanding (score, time, location) etc.**
- **Presentations include Key Focus Area alignment, Video Review, On-Field leadership, etc.**





KEY FOCUS AREAS: CLICK EACH TITLE FOR VIDEO GUIDE

BREAKDOWN

[Tackler & Tackle-Assist](#)

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VIDEO SHARING AND REVIEW PLATFORM

- **Coach-Logic Platform (club options here)**

Previously all Men's and Women's Premier League teams were given access to their own Coach-Logic video sharing platform. We need not be able to provide this in 2024-2025. Clubs can arrange for their own platform by contacting info@coach-logic.com

- **Get Access to BC Rugby Hub here (access referee review clips, game footage, send clips etc.)**

Good for coaches and on-field leaders to stay in touch with Key Focus Area updates.

- **Share your team's video* (please share this link with your club's video personnel)**

Video footage can be sent to cassmus@bcrugby.com anyone on BC Rugby coach-logic hub will have access to footage. **Access to video footage from across BC Rugby competitions help keep Key Focus Areas up to date + provide educational materials for Players, Coaches and Officials.**

***Coach-Logic offers software for simplified uploads from VEO (here)**





GLOBAL LAW CHANGES (EFFECTIVE 1 JULY 2024)

**Law Change 1: “croc-roll” cleanout
(cleaner landing near lower limbs of jackler is liable to sanction)**

**Law Change 2: NO SCRUM OPTION FROM FREE KICK.
(Scrum from PK is still available)**

Law Change 3: offside in front of kicker (players must actively retire and are no longer put onside by opposition passing or running 5m; if they affect play, they are liable to sanction)

[FULL GUIDE AVAILABLE HERE](#)

CLOSED LAW TRIALS FROM WORLD RUGBY COMPETITIONS ARE NOT IN PLAY

- NO twenty minute Red Card
- NO offside line and new restrictions for “protecting halfback”
- NO 30 second scrum or lineout clock
- NO mark from a kickoff/restart
- NO one-stop maul “use it”
- NO changes to tackle height (we use shoulder-line and head contact process)



OFF-FIELD CLUB RESOURCES

- **[Sanctioning Requests \(non-scheduled fixtures\) here](#)**

Here is how to get a tournament or exhibition games approved and ensure Match Officials are appointed

- **[Roster submission](#)**

See Team Sheet Timelines (next page)

- **[Squad Size and Game-On Guidelines \(here\)](#)**

Quick reference tool for Premier + Men's D1 (no 'game-on')
Women's D1, Men's D2 and D3 ('game-on')

- **[Field Preparation \(here\)](#)**

A diagram that shows how to line a field and install non-playing personnel barriers

- **[Last minute Schedule Changes or Venue Issues](#)**

Contact cassmus@bcrugby.com AND aburley@bcrugby.com

- **[Rules of Competition](#)**
[\(you can find the senior and junior ROC here\)](#)

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- **[Code of Conduct \(here\)](#)**

Code of Conduct Complaints can be **[submitted here](#)**

- **[Discipline & Citing Policy \(here\)](#)**

Guide to Discipline process, policy and player welfare sanctions



TEAM SHEET TIMELINES

- Create Team Sheet Panel (September prior to start of first games)
- Submit Team Sheet Friday (2h prior to kickoff)
- Men's & Women's Premier Leagues (10am day prior)
- Update Team Sheet Monday (48h after final whistle)
- Contact aburley@bcrugby.com for Team Sheet support
- Refer to [Rules of Competition \(here\)](#) for Playoff Eligibility



SOCIAL MEDIA, BRANDING AND PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS

- Contact rbartlett@bcrugby.com for support with:
 - Club Social Media
 - Recruitment Campaigns
 - Branding Advice
 - Special Event Promotion



CONCUSSIONS

- BC Rugby's number one priority is player safety
- All Coaches, Officials and Administrators are required to renew their Concussion Management for General Public online certificates each year (**[access the online programme here](#)**)
- Players, Spectators and Parents are encouraged to complete Concussion Management for General Public (**[access the online programme here](#)**)
- We adhere to World Rugby's policy of 'Recognise and Remove' when dealing with concussions or suspected concussions. Any player suspected or suffering from. **THERE ARE NO IN-GAME HEAD INJURY ASSESSMENT SUBSTITUTIONS (HIA) permitted in any domestic competition in Canada.**
- **Any player removed for suspected concussion will not return to play for the remainder of the Game (team coaching and club admin responsible for Return to Play)**
- The Concussion Recognition Tool can be found here <https://completeconcussions.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/Concussion-Recognition-Tool-CRT-6.pdf>



REGISTRATION AND RISK MITIGATION

- All Players, Coaches, Officials, Therapists and Administrators should be registered
- Registration assures that minimum civil liability management measures are in place
- Contact cassmus@bcrugby.com or aburley@bcrugby.com for registration support
- Club Executive, Coaches, must ensure that all players who take the field are **registered** and **eligible**.
- If you are ensure of a player's Registration, Eligibility or Discipline status please contact aburley@bcrugby.com



DISCIPLINE

- **Red Card**
 - Player must appear at Discipline Committee hearing (with coach or manager) before being eligible to return
 - Tournament Discipline Committee will follow World Rugby Regulation 17's relevant sections for senior and age-grade players
 - It is the Club's responsibility to ensure no player sent off returns to play before a hearing or any suspensions (in any Rugby competition globally) are complete
 - **Discipline Decisions can be found here**
- **Yellow Card**
 - Temporary suspension from game play
 - 3 Yellow Cards in-season results in a Discipline Committee hearing



CODE OF CONDUCT

- **On-Field**
 - Coaches, Managers, Players, Officials and Spectators are required to comply with the standards set out in the Code of Conduct
 - Please reinforce expectations with your Club regularly
 - All persons involved at in BC Rugby competitions and Events are expected to understand behavioural standards
- **Off-Field**
 - BC Rugby Code of Conduct applies to all Athletes, Management, Spectators and Parents:
 - Throughout the day on the event grounds
 - On Social Media Before, During or After any BC Rugby Events
 - Respect for meal spaces, accommodations, local community and shared facilities
 - On private and public transport including Ferry, Air and bus travel.

[Submit Code of Conduct Complaints here](#)





BE PATIENT, BE KIND, & BE COLLABORATIVE

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- **Managers and Administrators from all clubs: Without them, there is no opposition**
- **Therapists and Medical personnel: Without them, players cannot return to play**
- **E-mail, phone and text as though you are face to face**
- **Any issues to report (aside from Code of Conduct) should go through your Program Lead**

Competition	Officiating	Player & Coach Pathway	Governance & Policy
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