

## Officiating Fifteens – Course Descriptors

	Rugby Ready	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Course descriptor	Introduction to safe coaching, playing and refereeing	Introduction to officiating in a safe, competent and enjoyable way	Development of officiating in a safe, competent and enjoyable way with a minimum standard of officiating skills	Enhancement of officiating skills based on sound refereeing experience and ambition to achieve a higher standard in officiating
Who is it for?	Anyone with an interest in coaching, playing or participating in Rugby Union	Match officials in local age grade competitions and senior Rugby	Match officials in regional/national age-grade and senior play in the club or school context in major Unions, and higher levels in less developed Unions	Match officials with the skills and knowledge needed to referee senior matches at national level in major Unions, and international levels and/or age-grade international competitions in less developed Unions
Attendance or accreditation?	Attendance	Attendance	Accreditation. Competency based assessment using formal transcript	Accreditation. Competency based assessment using formal transcript
On successful completion of the course, a match official will be able to:	Safely organise, supervise and officiate Rugby activities	Demonstrate basic officiating skills based on appropriate theoretical knowledge and evidence of preparation and planning, and be able to officiate aspects of the game in a modified context	Demonstrate technical and generic officiating skills Identify management skills and apply to own practise Use the principles of Rugby to analyse the game Plan and review her/his performance as a match official Use key factors analysis as a tool for skill improvement Demonstrate safe and skilled refereeing Demonstrate safe practise as an Assistant Referee (AR) Demonstrate high level of knowledge of officiating and the ability to discuss contemporary law issues Define the core values of Rugby Union Self-reflect on own performance as a match official	<ul> <li>Demonstrate technical and generic officiating skills at a higher level</li> <li>Apply management skills in all elements of officiating</li> <li>Use the game principles to develop a game plan relative to officiating aspects of competition</li> <li>Develop a team profile (strengths and weaknesses of their team) relative to officiating aspects of competition</li> <li>Plan and review the officiating season and use goal-setting strategies</li> <li>Plan for physical conditioning, nutrition and competition</li> <li>Use key factors analysis for skill improvement</li> <li>Demonstrate safe and highly skilled refereeing</li> <li>Demonstrate safe and skilled practise as an Assistant Referee (AR)</li> <li>Demonstrate high level of knowledge of officiating and the ability to discuss contemporary Law issues</li> <li>Self-reflect on own performance as a match official using performance review and coaching feedback</li> </ul>
Minimum duration:	3 hours	Course work: 8 hours	Notional hours: 30     Pre-course work: 10 hours     Course work: 15 hours     6 game diary     Live assessment visit	Notional hours: 150     Pre-course work: 10 hours     Course work: 26 hours     Season diary     2 live assessment visits
Prerequisites:	None	Over 14 years of age www.irblaws.com	Be actively officiating for a minimum of 2 years Over 16 years of age Complete self-check tests at rugbyready.worldrugby.org and laws.worldrugby.org Complete a season diary	Have refereed for a minimum of 3 years  Over 18 years of age Hold World Rugby Level 2 Officiating or equivalent Complete self tests at rugbyready.worldrugby.org, laws.worldrugby.org and sandc.worldrugby.org  Complete a season & training diary and PDP