## **TOURNAMENT RULES 2024**

## UNDER 16

RULES OF PLAY		
Players per Squad	12	
Players on Pitch	7	
Substitutions	5 subs - rolling subs during match during break in play	
Match duration	12 mins straight No half time No injury time or play stoppage time	
Pitch Size	65m x 45m	
Ball Size	5	
Contact/Tackle	Yes	
Start & Re-Start after scoring	Drop Kick, Scoring side re-start. If at start of game a team is not on the pitch or ready the referee can start the game. If Ball goes out on the full or dead then Restart Tap at halfway to opposition.	
Kicking general Play	NO- should player kick, turnover with Tap Start from mark where player kicked	
In Touch - Lineout	Turnover Ball, Min 2 man lineout - line up 3m from touchline where in touch	
Scrum	3 man contested, 1.5m push only	
On-side distance from lineout and scrum	5m	
Penalties as per standard laws	Tap Ball defending side 10m back	
Foul Play Yellow Card as per standard laws	2 mins off - no replacement, 2nd YELLOW in same game = RED, RED card - no further participation in tournament, tournament director decision is final	

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GENERAL TOURNAMENT RULES		
Overview	World Rugby are looking to grow the excitement of the game through Attacking Rugby. As such in this 7's Tournament linked to the HSBC 7's will be undertaking overall standings based on scoring of tries. The team with the most tries scored across all the Age Group pools will be classed Winner. The team with the second most tries scored will be classed as 2nd place. In the case of a draw for the first & second place, the team that has conceeded the least number of tries will be classed as first place. If still a draw 1st & 2nd place will be based on playing Record, if still a draw a coin toss will determine 1st & second place. If a team is not on the field or prepared to start when the hooter goes the team kicking off can start the game and score In the case of a Team pulling out a tournament last minute, the game is classed as a walkover and the score allocated for that game will be the average number of tries scored by the remaining team in it's other games and also the average number of tries scored against will be applied	
Referees	Referee's will be supplied by the SRU for the event and will be briefed before the tournament and available at the Q&A session	
Linesmen	Linesman will be a Coach / Manager from each team from the previous match. Game will continue even without linesman in place.	
Dress code	All players to wear their club uniform - short, shirt and socks (optional)	
Age Dispensation	No age dispensation allowed for the boys. Being a Contact/Tackle tournament - Girls automatically allowed to play down one age group. Example - U10's. Should a girl compete in the age group will she be allowed to be from a U11 age group.	
Coaches	2 coaches per team coaching from the designated areas during matches	
Point System	The Tournment will be run on a Top Number of Tries Scored which will determine who is First & Second place in an age group	
Finals	There are NO Semi Finals. First & Second place for Finals will be played @ UWC and will be based on most tries scored across this age group In the case of Finals between 1st & 2nd Place, in the case of a draw in the finals the team that scored first will win, if no try has been scored then the 1st Team will be declared the winner.	
Rain	Stoppage will only be on account of heavy rain and the decision thereof will be by discretion of the tournament committee alone.	
Lightning	Play will be stopped by discretion of the tournament committee and Referee oficials within the lightning/thunder Alerts. All participants to be sheltered. Play will only commence after 20 mins of no lightning or the Lightening Alert warning giving the all clear	
Insurance	Team managers/Clubs are to ensure ALL participants (Players and Coaches) have their own insurance coverage in place. Titans Ruck & Rumble, Titans RFC or any tournament volunteers/officials or otherwise shall not be held liable for any injuries sustained during the tournament or on tournament grounds.	
Medical	All Ambulance called by medical staff will dispatch from the field to Singapore Public Hospitals. For Under 16 Players it will be KKH, for players 16yrs + it will be SGH. Ambulances DO NOT go to Private Hospitals. In the case of Ambulance evacuation a consenting adult needs to travel with the injured player. This can be Coach, Manager, Parent or Known & Trustworthy adult who can undertake the duties of medical conscent of a minor injury. In the case of Ambulance evacuation the Coach / Manager must have in their possession copies of player ID (hard copy or digital) for medical in-processing.	
Coaches briefing	Coaches briefing generally 30min before Games start followed by a brief Q & A. Referees representatives will also attend these briefings. Only one Coach/Team Manager required to attend the coaches briefing.	
Supporter control & behaviour	Club Representatives are expected to control and manage any wayward or overly aggressive behaviour of Coaches, Managers, Parents or Supporters. The Event organisers and Referees have a zero tolerance stance on Verbal, Physical, Sexual or Gender abuse of players and spectators. Verbal & Gender abuse will be dealt with by the Tournament Director, Physical and Sexual Abuse will be referred to the police. The Event organisers reserve the right to ask people behaving inappropriately to leave the Tournament Venue. For Hygiene, Safety and respecting some cultures beliefs we ask no pets be brought to Titans Ruck and Rumble Events.	