

# **SCOTTISH YOUTH FESTIVAL OF RUGBY 2007**

## **LAW VARIATION CARDS**

### **UNDER 14 AGE GROUP (UK & Eire U13)**

These law variations provide the basis for the playing rules in the tournament and will be followed at all times. This copy is simplified to help all travelling teams understand the implications of the age grade qualifications and also simplifies the format of all matches which may differ to the playing rules you are used to in your home union.

The above stated age group use the Scottish age group qualifying dates (see Regulations for exact dates). For example, English, Welsh and Irish Under 13 teams as well as any Scottish teams who will play in their regular age group, will contest the Under 14 tournament.

This age group will use Normal Under 19 IRB rules for the tournament with following exceptions: -

#### **Scrum**

All scrums are contested but no scrum must move more than 1.5 metres.

The number 8 is not allowed to detach and pick up the ball.

The scrum half is allowed to follow the ball around to the back of the opposition scrum.

#### **Lineout**

All lineouts are contested and lifting is permitted at this age group.

Lifting is not essential for teams who are not used to lifting but as we are governed by SRU guidelines we cannot permit teams from lifting in the tournament.

#### **Kicking**

Kicks at goal are only permitted in the U14-U17 age groups inclusive and must be a drop at goal from where the try was scored along the try line immediately after a try. No place kicks at goal are allowed for conversions and kicks at goal from penalties and drop goals in open play are prohibited. This is designed to speed up play and not waste time in short matches.

Kick offs will be by the normal method of a drop kick at the start of each half but restarts after a score will be a tap and pass to the non scoring team.