

RFU REGULATION 11 – THE SEASON

Adult

11.1 In adult rugby the RFU Competition Season (during which all RFU Competitions, merit tables and local leagues must be played with the exception of representative rugby, play-offs and 7-a-side or similar competitions) shall be:

Season 2023-24 will run from Saturday 2 September 2023 until Monday 20 May 2024 save that in respect of:

- a. The Premiership, the Season will run until 8 June 2024 (unless otherwise notified to the Clubs);
- b. The Championship, the Season will run until 03 June 2024 (unless otherwise notified to the Clubs); and
- c. The Women's Premier 15s, the Season will run until 24 June 2024 (unless otherwise notified to the Clubs).

Season 2024-25 will run from Saturday 7 September 2024 until Monday 19 May 2025 save that in respect of:

- a. The Premiership, the Season will run until no later than the end of June (unless otherwise notified to the Clubs);
- b. The Championship, the Season will run until 16 June 2025 (unless otherwise notified to the Clubs); and
- c. The Women's Premier 15s, the Season will run until 2 June 2025 (unless otherwise notified to the Clubs).
- 11.2 In adult rugby, non-RFU Competition matches can be played at any time during the year.

Age Grade Rugby (U7s to U18s)

11.3 In Age Grade rugby the Season shall be:

Season 2023-24 will run from Saturday 2 September 2023 until Monday 6 May 2024.

11.4 Age Grade rugby activity must be played in accordance with RFU Regulation 15.

General

11.5 If the RFU Board of Directors consider that it is in the best interests of the game of rugby union in England (for example as a result of governmental health guidance), it may require that rugby activity, or parts of rugby activity, must cease in England or any part of it.