

NATIONAL PANEL / CURRIE CUP COACHES

WORKSHOP
8 JUNE 2010

OUTCOMES

BREAKDOWN

1. Tackler must release – Break contact
2. Tackler must roll away if he has influence on the ball being released.
3. Tackler needs to be on both feet before he may play the ball.
4. Tackler assist – to be treated same as a tackler
5. Maul defence – no collapsing in any way will be allowed
6. Sealing off the ball will not be allowed.
7. “Removing the threat” players are allowed to leave their feet in order to remove the threat as long as they enter through gate and do not stay in an area/position where they deny the opposition to contest.
8. “Hammer” Assistant players need to stay on their feet or if they fall they need to get back onto their feet immediately or roll out of the way.
9. 1st Arriving player on his feet at break down will have the right to win possession
10. Ruck – the call will only be said once.
11. Pillars – Players need to be onside or need to be bound to the ruck/maul. Defenders and attackers.
12. Preventing the quick throw will be penalized heavily.
13. “Quick tap” the defending team may not prevent the tap being taken and players not retiring 10m’s and deliberately playing the player that tapped the ball will be sanctioned.
14. “Offside at kicks” will be refereed consistently.
15. Players need to wait till the Assistant Referees has confirmed that the ball is out before advancing (this communication will be forwarded to the AR’s)
16. “Obstruction of chasers” when defenders change their running lines to obstruct a chaser will be penalized.
17. “Obstruction at the maul” the maul formation needs to be legal.
18. “Truck and trailer” Ensure the ball is in front of the pod breaking off from the existing maul if not, this constitutes obstruction.
19. A player on the ‘wrong side’ in a maul is not necessarily illegal, when he is bound or caught up in that position..
20. No player will be allowed to re-bind after the maul “jack knives” – he needs to rejoin through the gate.

SCRUMS

21. At the scrums all players are required to follow the referees engagement calls.
22. No individual angles will be allowed.
23. Props and loosies will bind as per the Law Book.
24. Zero tolerance to be applied for above.
25. Referees will manage the hand on the ground at the hit, should it become a constant action they will be penalized.

GENERAL PLAY

26. All coaches agreed to submit a ranking of the referees close to the end of the Currie Cup to provide feedback on the appointments for the semi’s and finals.
27. Communication between Currie Cup Coaches and Referees before and after the match is strongly encouraged but should not happen in the changing room after a game.
28. A decision regarding including the smaller Unions into the Super 14 Conference in November will be carried forward to the roll players for advisement by AW.
29. A lot of exposure will be given to the upcoming referees during the Currie Cup.
30. All coaches to give feedback on their view regarding the AR panel participation during the Currie Cup.
31. IRB – TMO protocol as per IRB.