



OTAGO COUNTRY RUGBY BOARD

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JAB Club Delegates

Who: All clubs that are registered with teams in the Central Otago Junior Advisory Board Competition

Responsibility: Clubs are responsible for appointing 2 representative delegates each season, whom are required to attend all Central Otago JAB associated meetings.*
Club Delegate to attend JAB meetings with a positive and constructive manner to ensure that their club/s are being fairly represented.
Meetings are generally held on the 1st Wednesday of each Calendar Month
Commencing March through till August each season.

Role: The primary role of a JAB delegate is to ensure **their** respective clubs committees / coaches are well informed of all aspects of Central Otago JABs Rulings /governance activities and events throughout the season

Club Key Responsibilities

Clubs JAB Delegate has a clear understanding of the wishes and objectives of their individual clubs prior to all JAB Meetings.
Delegates to represent the views of their clubs at JAB meetings in an effective and Constructive manner, and relay clearly any JAB outcomes and decisions.
To respect the democratic principles of the Central Otago JAB and to support decisions made by any current Committee / Board.

Voting Rights of Delegates

Each Club is represented by a max of 2 delegates, whom each holds a voting right
No proxy vote.

The JAB Chairman holds the casting vote

*Club delegates are required to be either present at a meeting to register a vote *or* *alternatively be represented by a current member* of their respective club, in their place.

Club / Player Registration

All club registrations required to be finalized and forwarded to JAB in time for the first meeting of each season –(1st Wednesday in March) – This includes any regrade or dispensation applications.

(Late registrations will be considered on a case by case basis on grounds of Player Transfer or a late Player Registration)

NB. –Any player who is age eligible for JAB rugby (ie. 13 years or under on January 1st of that season) is required to follow the Dispensation Application Process.(Forms on Website)

Regrades / Dispensation Yr9 Ruling;

Regrade - To regrade down to a lower grade other than their current year age.

The JAB will consider regrades on the following basis:

- Weight, Age and Ability of applicant
- Strength and Player numbers in team for whom the player has applied to join

Dispensation – Application for a dispensation via JAB Committee for a player attending year 9 to enter a primary grade competition

The following rulings apply for any dispensated players:

- Age as of the 1st of Jan needs to be 13 years or under
- Weight 50kgs or less @ 1st March
- Players Ability

For any regraded or dispensated players the following requirements should be met by club coaches:

- Maximum of 4 regraded/dispensated players per team
- 2 regraded/dispensated players on the field at any point.
- Opposition coach is made aware prior to match of which players are regrades or have been dispensated.

Half Game Rule

As per the NZRU ruling that every player is on the field for at least one half of every match.

Even Numbers on the Field

Where a team arrives without a full complement of players the opposition team is required to field an equal number of players unless the coaches can reach a mutually agreeable outcome such as lending some players to the other team.

Score Blowouts

Where there is a score differential at halftime in any game that is likely to result in a final score differential of more than 50 points the coach of the stronger team is required to take one or all of the following steps in order to result in a more even score.

- Remove his strongest players for the second half
- Provide his strongest players to the opposition in exchange for opposing players

Provision of Referees

At any JAB games where there is no appointed referees the home team is required to provide a referee. This referee needs to have attended a Small Blacks course at the beginning of that season, needs to be reasonably experienced in the basics of the game such as the off side rule and needs to be aware of the specific rulings for that grade.

Sub rule

Subs can be made at quarter time, half time and three quarter time, the exact timing of this is up to the referee, all players must play at least half a game.

Defaulting teams

Gentleman agreement- regulation 7b of the country Rugby regulations states “When a traveling team defaults in the first round, they will forfeit the right to a home game when playing the same team in the second round.

Coaching on the paddock

No coaches are permitted on the field during any tackle game; apart from the Under 8 grade. Coaches allowed on the field in ripa grades.

Cancellation process

To advise clubs the JAB endeavors to take into consideration all factors and affected area's before making the call to cancel.

It's not the place of individual clubs to make the call as the outcome can have detrimental effects causing confusion.

Cancellations will be made on the grounds of treacherous roads and inappropriate ground conditions...Cancellations will be made at the very last minute unless obvious road and weather conditions apply.

Concussion Ruling

A player that has had a concussion must stand down for a minimum of 3 weeks and should not return to playing or training until symptom free and with a medical clearance. Consult a doctor following a suspected concussion.

Disciplinary procedure

If the incident is minor then the coach should discuss with their junior club chairman, then contact the opposing junior club chairman to find a resolution. If no resolution is forthcoming the incident can be brought before the JAB for discussion and ruling.

If the incident warrants a more formal complaint, an official complaint form can be requested from the JAB secretary which must be lodged within 48 hours of the game being completed, a \$200 fee is to be paid upon lodging the complaint, if the complaint is upheld this fee will be refunded. The complaint will go before the Otago Country board, then if need be the Otago Rugby Union.

People on field of play

No one is allowed on the field of play except players and the referee. Coaches may be allowed on at the discretion of the referee. A parent may be allowed on if their child is seriously injured at the referee's discretion.

Code of conduct

A positive and supportive attitude to **all** players, referee's and supporters of both sides is non-negotiable, the JAB endeavors to make rugby enjoyable for everyone.