

2021 Membership Categories and Dues – COVID-19 Return to Play Registered Participant Dues

PHASES 1, 2 & 3

The Board of Directors of Rugby Ontario has reviewed the financial affairs of the organization and impact to the 2020 and 2021 rugby seasons resulting from the ongoing government restrictions on rugby activities which Registered Participants shall be permitted to participate in. The Board has determined that, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, it is in the best interest of Rugby Ontario and its membership to set the Registered Participant Dues payable by Participants for the above stated Return to Play Plan Phases for the current Fiscal Year 2021 only (valid to December 31, 2021), as follows:

Membership Category	Age Grades	Relevant Birthyears	Length of Membership	Rugby Canada Dues	Rugby Ontario Dues	Membership Definition
Minor Membership – Non-Contact	U8 – U12	2015-2009	Full Season (Date of Purchase – April 30 th , 2022)	\$30.00	\$30.00	This membership is for all activities and training permitted within the applicable Phases of the Rugby Ontario Return to Play Plan .
Junior Membership – Non-Contact	U14	2008-2007	Full Season (Date of Purchase – April 30 th , 2022)	\$45.00	\$30.00	
Junior Membership – Non-Contact	U16-U18	2006-2003	Full Season (Date of Purchase – April 30 th , 2022)	\$45.00	\$30.00	
U19 Junior Membership – Non-Contact	U19	2002	Full Season (Date of Purchase – April 30 th , 2022)	\$45.00	\$30.00	No contact, including tackling, rucking, mauling, scrummaging and lineouts shall be permitted in Non-Contact rugby.
Senior Membership – Non-Contact	20 and over	2001-1944	Full Season (Date of Purchase – April 30 th , 2022)	\$45.00	\$30.00	
Masters Membership – Non-Contact	35-77 years	1986-1944	Full Season (Date of Purchase – April 30 th , 2022)	\$45.00	\$30.00	
Coach Membership			Full Season (Date of Purchase – April 30 th , 2022)	\$66.04	\$0.00	
Team Manager or Administrator Membership			Full Season (Date of Purchase – April 30 th , 2022)	\$45.00	\$0.00	
Match Official Membership				N/A	N/A	* See note below.
Medical Staff Membership			Full Season (Date of Purchase – April 30 th , 2022)	\$45.00	\$0.00	
Board Member Membership			Full Season (Date of Purchase – April 30 th , 2022)	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Volunteer Membership			Full Season (Date of Purchase – April 30 th , 2022)	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Social Membership			Full Season (Date of Purchase – April 30 th , 2022)	\$0.00	\$0.00	

* **Match Officials** seeking to participate in sanctioned activities during Phase 1-3 of the Return to Play Plan are encouraged to register as a Junior, U19 Junior or Senior Membership – Non-Contact Player with a sanctioned Club.

Details of additional Membership Categories and Dues for all other Phases of the Return to Play Plan will be announced in accordance with the lifting of applicable government regulations. As Phases are opened to permit Contact Rugby, Registered Participants will be able/required to upgrade eligible memberships to the applicable Membership Category (e.g. Intro to Contact; Contact; Match Official).

Definitions of Athlete Memberships

Minor Rugby Player:

Any athlete participating in minor level competition and/or training. Please refer to the [Rugby Ontario Age Group by Birth Year Matrix](#) for clarification on type of rugby to be played at each age.

Junior Rugby Player:

Any athlete participating in junior level competition and/or training. Please refer to the [Rugby Ontario Age Group by Birth Year Matrix](#) for clarification on type of rugby to be played at each age.

U19 Junior Player:

Any athlete aged 19 years of age in the active season participating in junior level competition and/or training. U19 players have the ability to also play Senior Rugby. Please refer to the [Rugby Ontario Age Group by Birth Year Matrix](#) for clarification on type of rugby to be played at each age.

Senior Rugby Player:

Any athlete participating in senior level competition and/or training.

Masters Rugby Player:

Any athlete participating in master level competition and/or training (over the age of 35).

Non-Contact Membership:

Any senior, junior or masters athlete participating in touch or flag competition and/or training – participant must upgrade membership accordingly if playing in contact competition.

University/Collegiate Player: *(presently unavailable due to COVID-19 government and public health regulations)*

An individual, who is a full-time student, and participates in a competitive match or training on behalf of their college or university in a provincially sanctioned competition/event. This is a contact membership category

Definitions of Management Memberships

Board Member

An individual who is part of a group of people who jointly oversee the activities of a member club/organization.

Coach

An individual that leads and/or assists with the coaching of an athlete or team in either a training or competitive environment in accordance with World Rugby Laws of the Game and/or Rugby Canada National Law Variations.

Coach of Match Official *(presently unavailable due to COVID-19 government and public health regulations)*

An individual that coaches a match official in either a training or competition environment in accordance with World Rugby Laws of the Game and/or Rugby Canada National Law Variations.

Match Official *(presently unavailable due to COVID-19 government and public health regulations)*

An individual who is responsible for enforcing the World Rugby Laws of the Game, and/or Rugby Canada National Law Variations, during a competitive match or in a training environment.

Medical

An individual who is responsible for being the first responder to an injured participant in either a competitive match or training environment.

Social

A non-participation membership for any person who is a supporter of a club. This membership does not have any exposure to the National Insurance Program.

Team Manager

An individual who is assigned to a club/team for the purpose of facilitating administrative duties.

Volunteer

An individual who assists in club activities, which may include but not limited to game day parking volunteers, event volunteers and or minor festival volunteers. A volunteer cannot perform the role of a coach, assistant coach, match official or medical staff.

Definitions - Other

Non-Contact

This includes both training and competitive games where the Rugby Canada National Law Variations apply. Tackling, rucking, mauling, scrummaging and lineouts are not permitted in non-contact rugby. For the purposes of the Rugby Ontario Return to Play Plan, Phases 1,2 & 3 are restricted to Flag Rugby as a non-contact variation only; Touch Rugby is not permitted in these phases.

Contact *(presently unavailable due to COVID-19 government and public health regulations)*

This includes both training and competitive games where the World Rugby Laws of the Game apply and/or Rugby Canada National Law Variations. Contact may involve, tackling, rucking, mauling, scrummaging and line outs.

For any inquiries about Membership Categories and Definitions, please contact: Nicole Kovacs (nkovacs@rugbyontario.com)