**JUNIOR SIAM FESTIVAL 2025**

**SATURDAY 26 APRIL - JERSEY RFC**

Welcome to the Junior Siam Festival 2025!

1. **PROGRAMME & TIMING**

The Guernsey Academy teams and supporters arrive by air and sea throughout the morning.

Upon arrival at JRFC teams will be met by M&Js Committee / Age Group Managers.

Games will be played over 4 pitches - see Map (Enclosure 1) and schedule (Enclosure 2). Please make every effort to adhere to the timings given.

The Organising Committee will make every effort to accommodate changes due to travel delays or other unforeseen circumstances and ensure all games are completed within the time available. This may result in a late change of pitch or shortened game-time. If this happens, any changes will be agreed with the Match Officials and coaches of both teams before kick-off.

1. **FORMAT AND RULES OF PLAY**

There is one trophy per Age Grade. Our aim is to maximise players’ game time on the day, so development games will be played in addition to trophy matches in some age grades.

FULL DETAILS ARE IN THE APPENDIX.

The overarching Regulation is [Regulation 15 – Age Grade Rugby | Rugby Football Union](https://www.englandrugby.com/run/rules-governance/rfu-rules-and-regulations/regulation-15-age-grade-rugby). All coaches should familiarise themselves with the rules of play for their age groups in advance.

Medals will be awarded to participants at U11s and below. Medals and trophy presentations will take place pitch-side at conclusion of the match. The referee will choose the recipient of the Fair Play Award (one per age grade).

Each player must be a member of their respective club and registered with the RFU. If a player has already been cleared to play up or down by their Club and Constituent Body, they may participate in the age group in which they have been cleared to play, but this must be noted on the team’s registration form.

Team Managers are required to submit a completed registration form (Enclosure 3) by 17.00 hours on 24 April.

Any team found to have fielded an ineligible player may be disqualified from the competition.

1. **MATCH OFFICIALS**
	1. Hampshire Referee Society will officiate Colts, U16s and U15s.
	2. Jersey Rugby Union Referee Society will officiate U11-U14 inclusive and U14 and U16 Girls.
	3. Remaining games will be officiated by Club Coaches, with Jersey and Guernsey coaches officiating half a match each unless otherwise agreed between the respective Lead Coaches. Members of each coaching or support team will act as Assistant Referees.
2. **CHANGING FACILITIES**

4 changing rooms are available in the Rugby Club and additional changing facilities will be provided on Pitch 2 and the Marquee at the rear of the clubhouse. Space in each will be allocated to teams at in accordance with the schedule.

1. **FIRST AID & MEDICAL**

Each team should have an identified RFU First Aider in accordance with RFU Regulation 9. Additional support will be provided by the JRFC’s RugbySafe Lead and their team. Jersey Managers on each pitch will have radios to contact the First Aid Team if required.

The Referee has the right to ask for any player to be removed from the field of play if they are concerned for the individual’s wellbeing.

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| **Emergency First Aider contact details: Andy Clarke: 07797 724362 Jenny Leigh: 07797 727296** |

1. **SAFEGUARDING**

The provisions of the [JRFC Safeguarding Children Policy 2024-25](https://www.minisandjuniors.je/media/1214/jrfc-safeguarding-children-policy-2024.pdf) apply throughout the competition.

Under our [Photography and use of Imagery policy](https://view.officeapps.live.com/op/view.aspx?src=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.minisandjuniors.je%2Fmedia%2F1122%2Fjrfc-photography-and-use-of-imagery-policy-august-2022.docx&wdOrigin=BROWSELINK) it is assumed that parents/carers of all participants have given their consent for photographs to be taken. Should this not be the case, the coach or manager of the relevant team must inform the organisers.

Dogs are not permitted anywhere on the JRFC grounds.

Please use the rubbish bins provided around the grounds.

A Risk Assessment is available on the M&Js website [Safeguarding | JRFC Minis & Juniors](https://www.minisandjuniors.je/information-resources/safeguarding/).

1. **FOOD AND DRINK**

Players are encouraged to bring a packed lunch, including enough to drink. The following retail food outlets will be operating at the ground:

* Belles Bites, Pitch 2: burgers, best breakfast rolls in Jersey, chips, hot and cold drinks and snacks
* JRFC Clubhouse: hot food including our famous pulled pork rolls
* Jersey Bowl and Strive: see map (Enclosure 1)

A Hydration Station is available to refill water bottles on P2 and with thanks to Jersey Dairy there will be **free milk** (in a reusable cup) for all players in the Pavilion.

1. **SUPPORTERS**

Supporters must respect the fact that the officials, coaches and organisers are all volunteers.

Each club is responsible for the behaviour of their teams, players, officials and supporters. All individuals are expected to respect the [JRFC Code of Conduct](https://www.minisandjuniors.je/media/1215/jrfu-code-of-conduct.pdf).

Everyone using the JRFC facilities is responsible for all personal property and valuables at all times and no responsibility can be accepted by the organisers.

1. **GETTING TO JRFC**

JRFC is easily accessible via [**Liberty Bus**](https://libertybus.je/timetables/table/1) routes 9, 15 and 22.

If travelling to the Festival by car, please note the following:

* Parking in the **Aero Club** and on **Pitch 6** (entry via Rue des Sauvallaries) is available all day
* If parking in Strive, use the top end (gravel area) only
* No parking in Jersey Bowl or Wanderers FC
* Disabled parking only in the JRFC carpark
* **Kindly respect the parking attendants who are there to help you**
1. **COMPLAINTS**

Any complaint should be raised via the appropriate Age Group Manager to the respective Chairs of the JRFC Minis and Juniors and the Guernsey Rugby Academy. Complaints will be investigated as appropriate and determined in conjunction with the competition organisers and relevant match officials, whose decision will be final.

APPENDIX – FORMAT & AGE GRADE REGULATIONS

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|  | Players per team | Subs | Minutes per half | Details | RFU Regulations |
| **BOYS** |  |  |  |  |  |
| U18 Colts | 15 | 7 | 35 | Trophy match | [Regulation 15 – Appendix 9 - U15-U18 Variations to Laws of the Game | Rugby Football Union](https://www.englandrugby.com/run/rules-governance/rfu-rules-and-regulations/regulation-15-age-grade-rugby/regulation-15-appendix-9-u15-u18-variations-to-the-laws-of-the-game) |
| U16 | 15 | 7 | 35 |
| U15 | 15 | 7 | 30 |
| U14 | 15 | 7 | 25 | Trophy match | [Regulation 15 – Appendix 8 - U14s Rules of Play | Rugby Football Union](https://www.englandrugby.com/run/rules-governance/rfu-rules-and-regulations/regulation-15-age-grade-rugby/regulation-15-appendix-8-u14-rules-of-play) |
| U13 | 13 | 5 | 25 | Trophy match | [Regulation 15 – Appendix 7 - U13s Rules of Play | Rugby Football Union](https://www.englandrugby.com/run/rules-governance/rfu-rules-and-regulations/regulation-15-age-grade-rugby/regulation-15-appendix-7-u13-rules-of-play) |
| U12 | 12 | 5 | 20 | Trophy match | [Regulation 15 – Appendix 6 - U12s Rules of Play | Rugby Football Union](https://www.englandrugby.com/run/rules-governance/rfu-rules-and-regulations/regulation-15-age-grade-rugby/regulation-15-appendix-6-u12-rules-of-play) |
| **GIRLS** |  |  |  |  |  |
| U16 | 7 | *any* | 10 | Trophy match |  |
| U14 | 7 | *any* | 10 | Trophy match |  |
| U12 | 5 | *any* | 10 | Mixed friendly game |  |
| **MIXED** |  |  |  |  |  |
| U11 | 9 | 5 | 20 | Trophy match | [Regulation 15 – Appendix 5 - U11s Rules of Play | Rugby Football Union](https://www.englandrugby.com/run/rules-governance/rfu-rules-and-regulations/regulation-15-age-grade-rugby/regulation-15-appendix-5-u11-rules-of-play) |
| U10 | 8 | 4 | 15 | Trophy match followed by development games (4 teams) | [Regulation 15 – Appendix 4 - U10s Rules of Play | Rugby Football Union](https://www.englandrugby.com/run/rules-governance/rfu-rules-and-regulations/regulation-15-age-grade-rugby/regulation-15-appendix-4-u10-rules-of-play) |
| U9 | 7 | 3 | 15 | Round Robin for Trophy (2 teams each) followed by development games  | [Regulation 15 – Appendix 3 - U9s Rules of Play (Transitional Contact) | Rugby Football Union](https://www.englandrugby.com/run/rules-governance/rfu-rules-and-regulations/regulation-15-age-grade-rugby/regulation-15-appendix-3-u9-rules-of-play) |
| U8 | 5 | 2 | 10 | Round Robin for Trophy (3 teams each) followed by development games | [Regulation 15 – Appendix 2 - U8s Rules of Play (Tag Rugby) | Rugby Football Union](https://www.englandrugby.com/run/rules-governance/rfu-rules-and-regulations/regulation-15-age-grade-rugby/regulation-15-appendix-2-u8-rules-of-play) |
| U7 | 4 | 2 | 10 | Round Robin for Trophy (3 teams each) followed by development games | [Regulation 15 – Appendix 1 - U7s Rules of Play (Tag Rugby) | Rugby Football Union](https://www.englandrugby.com/run/rules-governance/rfu-rules-and-regulations/regulation-15-age-grade-rugby/regulation-15-appendix-1-u7-rules-of-play) |

Enclosures:

1. Site Map
2. Match Schedule
3. Player Registration Form