



LAWS OF THE GAME

Level I

**THEORY EXAMINATION
2013**

CANDIDATE SCRIPT AND ANSWER PAPER





NEW ZEALAND RUGBY LAWS OF THE GAME THEORY EXAMINATION 2013 LEVEL I

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- 1 Each correct answer is worth 1 mark.
- 2 **Note on Advantage**
You should assume that **no advantage** occurs following any of the situations described, unless advantage is clearly indicated in the question.
- 3 You are reminded to answer the paper as per **New Zealand Domestic Safety Law Variations (DSLVS)** where they exist, in place of International Law and according to the **Law Book**. **Candidates must also answer in accordance with the IRB Law Amendment Trials where applicable.**
- 4 Whenever you are asked, "What should the referee rule?" give a single answer such as - Scrum, Penalty kick, Lineout, Play continues, etc. It is not necessary to provide the reason for your answer, eg Offside, Foul Play, Advantage etc. The exam does not require you to provide a reason, only the ruling.
Answer only the question being asked.
- 5 **Yes / No Questions** – When answering a question requiring you to indicate **Yes** or **No**, please clearly circle your chosen answer.
- 6 **Multiple Choice Questions** – When answering a question providing a number of options, please write the letter of your chosen option on the line provided to the bottom right of the question.
- 7 **Pass Mark**
There are 100 marks available from the questions.
A pass is obtained by attaining at least 80 marks - 80%
- 8 **Gender**
Wherever words indicating masculine gender are used, this is to be interpreted to include both genders.

1	<p>No medically qualified person is available but the referee suspects a player has been concussed.</p> <p>Must the referee order this player to leave the field?</p>	Yes / No
2	<p>A player leaves the field after being substituted.</p> <p>May this player later be used as a permanent or temporary replacement ?</p>	Yes / No
3	<p>Prior to the game the referee is advised that one team is unable to provide competent front row players and the game will need to be played with uncontested scrums.</p> <p>Should this team forfeit the match?</p>	Yes / No
4	<p>The referee is injured and cannot continue. The match organiser has given no instructions for the replacement of a referee.</p> <p>May the injured referee appoint the replacement?</p>	Yes / No
5	<p>A player is sent off for foul play following a report by an Assistant Referee.</p> <p>Who must provide a written report to the Union?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Assistant Referee b) Referee c) Both Assistant Referee and Referee 	_____
6	<p>The ball is kicked into in-goal and chased by an attacker. The attacker is about to ground the ball when it rebounds off the legs of a spectator walking across the in-goal area.</p> <p>May the referee award a try?</p>	Yes / No
7	<p>A defender carrying the ball in-goal collides with the referee. The ball is lost and an attacker grounds the ball.</p> <p>What should the referee rule?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Award a try b) Award a touchdown 	_____

8	<p>The defenders are in possession when the referee stops play because a player has been injured. There has been no infringement.</p> <p>How does play restart?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Scrum attackers' ball b) Scrum defenders' ball 	_____
9	<p>A defender grabs the ball carrier from behind by the collar and pulls this player to the ground.</p> <p>What should the referee rule?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Play continues b) Scrum c) Free Kick d) Penalty Kick 	_____
10	<p>A defender is late tackled. The referee penalises the attacker. The defender then stands up and punches the attacker.</p> <p>How does play restart?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) PK to defenders b) PK to attackers 	_____
11	<p>A player who was temporarily suspended is later cautioned for another offence.</p> <p>Must this player be Red Carded?</p>	Yes / No
12	<p>At a scrum in a 1st XV game the No. 8 packs down between a lock and a flanker.</p> <p>Should the referee allow this?</p>	Yes / No
13	<p>At a scrum the front rows have come together but the scrum half delays throwing in the ball.</p> <p>What should the referee rule?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Play continues b) Re-set scrum c) Free Kick d) Penalty Kick 	_____

14	<p>At a scrum the referee calls “crouch” then “touch”. One prop makes no attempt to touch the opposing prop’s outside shoulder.</p> <p>What should the referee rule?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Play continues b) Restart the engagement sequence c) Free Kick d) Penalty Kick 	_____
15	<p>At a scrum the team in possession pushes over the mark before the ball is thrown in.</p> <p>What should the referee rule?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Play continues b) Re-set scrum c) Free Kick d) Penalty Kick 	_____
16	<p>A team is awarded a free kick. The ball is passed to the kicker behind the mark who steps forward as though to kick but stops. The opponents charge forward and prevent the kick being taken.</p> <p>What should the referee rule?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Play continues b) Advance the Free Kick 10 metres c) Scrum 	_____
17	<p>The referee awards a penalty kick. Without indicating to the referee an intention to kick at goal the kicker takes a quick drop kick which goes over the crossbar.</p> <p>What should the referee rule?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Award the goal b) Drop-out c) Scrum 	_____
18	<p>The attackers are awarded a penalty kick 15 metres from touch and 5 metres from the goal line. The kicker takes the ball back to the 22-metre line for a kick at goal. An attacker in mid-field is in front of the ball when the kick is taken and the referee awards a scrum.</p> <p>Where is the mark for the scrum ?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Original mark (15 x 5) b) Where the kick is taken (15 x 22) c) Where player is in front (mid-field on the 22) 	_____

19	<p>A serious injury occurs during the last play before half-time and there is a delay. The players leave the field so the referee decides to add extra time in the second half.</p> <p>Is this a correct action?</p>	Yes / No
20	<p>The referee is unsure how much time has elapsed. A spectator is consulted as to the run time, without reference to the touch judges.</p> <p>Is this permitted?</p>	Yes / No
21	<p>Time has expired and during the last play an advantage is played for a ball lost forward, and no advantage is gained.</p> <p>Must the referee set the scrum before the match ends?</p>	Yes / No
22	<p>Time has expired and a scrum that is being played has to be re-set due to an unintentional collapse.</p> <p>Should the referee end the match without re-setting the scrum?</p>	Yes / No
23	<p>At a conversion a reserve team-mate who has run out with the kicking tee then holds the ball on the tee.</p> <p>Is this permitted?</p>	Yes / No
24	<p>The ball rolls off the kicking tee as the kicker approaches for a kick at goal after a try. The ball remains in the field of play.</p> <p>Is the player entitled to kick the ball from the ground where the ball lies?</p>	Yes / No
25	<p>At a conversion, before the kicker begins to approach to kick the ball falls off the tee. The referee allows the player to replace the ball.</p> <p>May the kicker now change the type of kick?</p>	Yes / No
26	<p>A player passes the ball towards the opponent's dead ball line and it is blown back and received by a team-mate.</p> <p>Should the referee blow for a scrum?</p>	Yes / No

27	<p>In the act of intercepting the ball it is intentionally knocked down and travels forward.</p> <p>What should the referee rule?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) scrum b) penalty kick c) free kick d) play continues 	_____
28	<p>The ball is knocked on and goes into touch.</p> <p>What should the referee rule?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) scrum, b) lineout, c) quick throw-in d) option of a), b) and c). 	_____
29	<p>The ball is knocked on and goes into touch-in-goal.</p> <p>What should the referee rule?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) scrum, b) lineout, c) quick throw-in d) option of a), b) and c). 	_____
30	<p>A drop-out is taken quickly while a team-mate remains stationary on the 10-metre line.</p> <p>What should the referee rule?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) play continues b) another drop-out c) scrum d) penalty 	_____
31	<p>At a kick-off the opponents take up a position 8 metres from the half way line.</p> <p>What should the referee rule?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) play continues b) another kick-off c) scrum d) penalty 	_____

32	<p>At a kick-off the ball reaches the opponents 10-metre line and is blown back and goes directly into touch on the 10-metre line of the kicker's team. The kick is accepted.</p> <p>Is the place of the lineout at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) the half way line? b) the opponents 10-metre line? c) the kicking team's 10-metre line? 	_____
33	<p>At a kick-off the ball goes into the in-goal where after a delay the defender grounds the ball.</p> <p>Does play re-start with a drop-out?</p>	Yes / No
34	<p>An attacker is tackled before the goal line but momentum carries this player into in-goal. This player grounds the ball.</p> <p>Should a try be awarded?</p>	Yes / No
35	<p>A defender is tackled in front of the goal line.</p> <p>May this player reach out immediately and make a touch down?</p>	Yes / No
36	<p>A defender tackles an attacker. Another attacker gathers the ball and continues the movement.</p> <p>May this defender, while still on the ground, attempt to tackle the second attacker?</p>	Yes / No
37	<p>At a tackle an opponent is standing in a position to play the ball.</p> <p>May the tackled player immediately roll the ball 2 metres away from the tackle area?</p>	Yes / No
38	<p>The ball carrier is brought to the ground by an opponent who remains standing. This player releases the ball carrier and while standing directly behind the ball and the ball carrier, attempts to play the ball.</p> <p>Is this a permitted action?</p>	Yes / No

39	<p>At a tackle the ball becomes unplayable. The referee is uncertain as to which team caused the stoppage and neither team was moving forward prior to the stoppage.</p> <p>Which team throws into the scrum?</p> <p>a) Attackers b) Defenders</p>	_____
40	<p>A player standing in touch kicks the ball before it crosses the touchline.</p> <p>Is the ball in touch?</p>	Yes / No
41	<p>The ball is kicked out on the 10-metre line and is retrieved by a defender. This player moves back behind the 22-metre line and throws the ball into the field of play to a team-mate who kicks the ball directly into touch on half way.</p> <p>Where is the lineout?</p> <p>a) on the half way line b) on the 22-metre line c) in line with where the defender kicked the ball</p>	_____
42	<p>At a lineout the thrower steps into the field of play and throws the ball in.</p> <p>Is this permitted?</p>	Yes / No
43	<p>A player is tackled close to the touchline and remains in the field of play in possession of the ball. The tackler is still holding the tackled player and the tackler's legs cross the touchline.</p> <p>Is the ball in touch?</p>	Yes / No
44	<p>A player standing 5 metres outside the 22 kicks the ball directly into touch on the opponent's 10-metre line. A quick throw in is taken on the half way line.</p> <p>What should the referee rule?</p> <p>a) play continues b) another throw in c) scrum</p>	_____

45	<p>At a quick throw in a team-mate comes to the line of touch and then leaves.</p> <p>Should this player be penalised?</p>	Yes / No
46	<p>During a match the referee notices a player not wearing a mouth guard.</p> <p>What action must the referee take?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Send the player from the field to get a mouthguard and allow an immediate replacement b) Send the player from the field to get a mouth guard and not allow an immediate replacement c) Send the player to the Sin Bin 	_____
47	<p>At the pre match inspection a player is wearing boots with a seven stud configuration including a single stud at the front.</p> <p>Is this permissible?</p>	Yes / No
48	May a player start a game with a bandaged injury?	Yes / No
49	May a player wear shorts with a zip in the front?	Yes / No
50	<p>A player has a torn jersey.</p> <p>Is this player allowed to leave the playing area to replace the jersey?</p>	Yes / No
51	<p>A player from each team is standing in physical contact over the ball and not bound to each other.</p> <p>Has a ruck formed?</p>	Yes / No
52	<p>At a ruck the ball is available and the referee calls 'Use it'. The ball remains there for more than 5 seconds.</p> <p>What action should the referee take?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Repeat the call, 'Use it' b) Award a scrum c) Award a Free kick 	_____

53	<p>After a tackle a player standing has hands on the ball while it is still on the ground. A ruck now forms around this player who immediately picks up the ball and hands it back to a team-mate.</p> <p>Should this player be penalised?</p>	Yes / No
54	<p>At a ruck the ball is coming out and an opponent advances and falls on the ball.</p> <p>What should the referee rule?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Play continues b) PK c) FK 	_____
55	<p>At a ruck the defenders are pushing forward and the ball becomes unplayable. The referee awards a scrum.</p> <p>Which team throws in the ball?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Attackers b) Defenders 	_____
56	<p>A player is standing alongside and in line with the last player in the ruck, but not bound.</p> <p>Is this player off-side?</p>	Yes / No
57	<p>An attacker carrying the ball is held by two defenders and is being driven backwards. All three players are bound and on their feet.</p> <p>Has a maul formed?</p>	Yes / No
58	<p>A player is caught in a maul but not bound.</p> <p>What should the referee rule?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Play continues b) PK c) FK 	_____
59	<p>A player arrives at the back of a maul and takes up a crouched position alongside a team-mate with one hand on the other player's back.</p> <p>Has the arriving player joined the maul?</p>	Yes / No

60	<p>The attackers take the ball into a maul. The ball becomes unplayable and the referee awards a scrum.</p> <p>Which team throws in the ball?</p> <p>a) Attackers b) Defenders</p>	_____
61	<p>A maul stops moving forward and then moves forward again, before stopping a second time. The referee can see the ball.</p> <p>How long may the maul remain stationary before the referee awards a scrum?</p> <p>a) Reasonable time b) Immediately</p>	_____
62	<p>The attackers take the ball into a maul. A defending player wins the ball and goes to ground and makes the ball available. The referee calls 'Use it'. The maul remains stationary and the ball is not played. The referee awards a scrum.</p> <p>Which team throws in the ball?</p> <p>a) Attackers b) Defenders</p>	_____
63	<p>In general play a defender catches the ball direct from an opponent's kick and is immediately held by an opponent. A maul forms and the defenders move the ball forward before the maul collapses and the referee awards a scrum.</p> <p>Which team throws in the ball?</p> <p>a) Attackers b) Defenders</p>	_____
64	<p>The scrum begins when?</p> <p>a) The referee makes the mark b) The referee calls 'Set' c) The ball leaves the hands of the scrum half d) The ball first touches the ground inside the tunnel</p>	_____

65	<p>In a 1st XV match the attackers throw the ball into the scrum and the scrum wheels 45 degrees. The referee awards a new scrum.</p> <p>Which team throws in?</p> <p>a) Attackers b) Defenders</p>	_____
66	<p>In a 1st XV match the attackers push the scrum forward 2 metres.</p> <p>What should the referee rule?</p> <p>a) Play continues b) Another scrum at original mark c) Another scrum where previous scrum ended d) FK</p>	_____
67	<p>At a scrum when the scrum half is throwing in the ball, is the immediate opponent permitted to take up a position 1 metre behind the last team-mate in the scrum?</p>	Yes / No
68	<p>A player bound to the scrum returns the ball in to the scrum.</p> <p>What should the referee rule?</p> <p>a) Play continues b) PK c) FK</p>	_____
69	<p>At a scrum the flanker hooks the ball while it is in the tunnel.</p> <p>What should the referee rule?</p> <p>a) Play continues b) PK c) FK</p>	_____
70	<p>In a 1st XV game a team intentionally wheels the scrum.</p> <p>What should the referee rule?</p> <p>a) Play continues b) PK c) FK</p>	_____

71	<p>In general play a defender standing with the hindmost foot on the goal line catches a kick direct from an opponent and grounds the ball.</p> <p>What does the referee rule?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Play continues b) 5-metre scrum c) Drop-out 	<hr/>
72	<p>The attackers take the ball into a maul which moves into in-goal and collapses. The ball does not touch the ground and the referee awards a scrum.</p> <p>Which team throws in?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Attackers b) Defenders 	<hr/>
73	<p>An attacker knocks-on 2metres in-goal and 2 metres from touch-in-goal. The referee awards a scrum.</p> <p>Where does play restart?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) 5 x 2 b) 5 x 5 c) 5 x 15 	<hr/>
74	<p>An attacker 15 metres from touch and 6 metres from the goal line, kicks the ball into in-goal. The ball bounces over the dead ball line without being touched.</p> <p>What should the referee rule?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Drop-out b) Scrum where the ball was kicked c) Option of a) or b) 	<hr/>
75	<p>A defender receives the ball 5 metres from the goal line and is driven back in a tackle. The defender reaches back and brings the ball in contact with the ground and the padding at the front of the goal posts.</p> <p>What should the referee rule?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Play continues b) 5-metre scrum c) Drop-out d) Option of b) or c) 	<hr/>

76	<p>A defender makes a clean catch direct from an opponent's kick in general play and calls 'Mark'. The defender has the hindmost foot on the 22-metre line.</p> <p>Does the referee award the mark?</p>	Yes / No
77	<p>A player 1 metre behind the goal-line and 4 metres from the touch-in-goal line is awarded a 'Mark'.</p> <p>Where is the mark for the Free Kick?</p> <p>a.) 1 x 4 in-goal b.) 5 x 4 in the field of play c.) 5 x 5 in the field of play</p>	
78	<p>The match organiser has not appointed any assistant referees or touch judges.</p> <p>Must each team provide a touch judge?</p>	Yes / No
79	<p>May the Referee send a touch judge off if they believe the touch judge is guilty of misconduct?</p>	Yes / No
80	<p>May a touch judge report an offence of dangerous play or misconduct to the Referee?</p>	Yes / No
81	<p>Must the referee always allow an opportunity for advantage following an infringement?</p>	Yes / No
82	<p>Must an advantage gained by a team be territorial?</p>	Yes / No
83	<p>May the referee play advantage for a second offence committed by the same team?</p>	Yes / No
84	<p>In addition to acts of Foul Play can it also be anything a player does within the playing enclosure that is against the letter and spirit of the Laws of the Game?</p>	Yes / No
85	<p>A player and an opponent when running for the ball charge each other shoulder to shoulder.</p> <p>Is this permitted?</p>	Yes / No
86	<p>An attacking player moves in front of a team-mate who is about to receive the ball preventing an opponent from effecting a tackle.</p> <p>Should the referee award a penalty?</p>	Yes / No

87	<p>A player intentionally offends and advantage is applied.</p> <p>At the next stoppage must the referee now admonish, caution or send off the offender?</p>	Yes / No
88	<p>An attacker chip kicks and a defender who is on the 22m line 20m from touch intentionally knocks the ball into touch on the 22m line. The referee awards a penalty kick.</p> <p>Where is the mark?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) 22m x 5m b) 22m x 15m c) 22m x 20m 	
89	In general play must an offside player be penalised?	Yes / No
90	<p>In general play is a player offside if</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The player is in front of a team-mate who is carrying the ball? b) The player is in front of a team-mate who last played the ball? 	<p>Yes / No</p> <p>Yes / No</p>
91	Can a player be penalised for being offside in-goal?	Yes / No
92	<p>Which one action by a team-mate will NOT put an offside player onside in general play?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The offside player runs behind the team-mate who last kicked, touched or carried the ball b) A team-mate carrying the ball runs in front of the offside player c) The kicker, or a team-mate who was level with or behind the kicker when (or after) the ball was kicked, runs in front of the offside player d) Another offside team-mate immediately runs forward in front of the offside player 	

93	<p>Which one action by an opponent will NOT put an offside player onside in general play?</p> <p>a) When an opponent carrying the ball runs 5 metres across the field</p> <p>b) When an opponent kicks or passes the ball</p> <p>c) When an opponent unintentionally touches the ball</p>	
94	<p>A player is accidentally offside and that player's team gains an advantage.</p> <p>Does the referee award a scrum?</p>	Yes / No
95	<p>A player knocks-on and an offside team-mate intentionally plays the ball preventing an opponent from playing the ball.</p> <p>Should the referee award a penalty kick?</p>	Yes / No
96	<p>Can an offside player who is retiring during a ruck, maul, scrum or lineout be put onside by an action of a team-mate?</p>	Yes / No
97	<p>In general play a player falls on the ball and makes it unplayable.</p> <p>Must this player be penalised?</p>	Yes / No
98	<p>Are all the actions below permitted by a player with the ball on the ground if done so immediately?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Get up with the ball • Pass the ball • Release the ball 	Yes / No
99	<p>Are all the players listed below participating players in a lineout?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Player who throws-in and an immediate opposite • Two players waiting to receive the ball from the lineout • Lineout players 	Yes / No