



## AGE GRADE VARIATIONS OF THE LAWS OF THE GAME

applicable to

PRAGUE YOUTH RUGBY FESTIVAL 2016

**U16**

IRB U19 Variation of the laws of the game

**U14**

Pitch size: Regular size less 10m: 5m lines form touch lines

Ball size: 4

Numbers: 13-a-side

No scrums, no lineouts - free kick instead

**U12**

Pitch size: 40 m x 55 m, no "22m" line

Ball size: 4

Numbers: 9-a-side

Rolling substitutions is permitted and substituted players can be re-used at any time. Substitutions can only take place when the ball is "dead".

Tackles, rucks, mauls, hand-offs allowed; tackle must happen with or below arm pits; no hand-offs on neck or head.

Kicking: Drop kick is used to start the match and to restart after scoring

Players are allowed to kick, BUT if the ball goes to touch or touch-in-goal or to the dead ball line, a free kick is awarded to the non offending side at the place of the kick

No "mark"

No 22 m drop out - free kick 15 m from a goal line instead

No scrums, no lineouts - free kick instead

Free kick: Opposition distance: at least 10 metres

## U10

Pitch size: 30 m x 40 m, no "22m" line

Ball size: 3

Team numbers: 8-a-side

Rolling substitutions is permitted and substituted players can be re-used at any time.  
Substitutions can only take place when the ball is "dead".

Tackles, rucks, mauls, allowed; tackle must happen with or below arm pits; no hand-offs, no tunnel ball.

Kicking: Drop kick is used to start the match and to restart after scoring

Players are allowed to kick, BUT if the ball goes to touch or touch-in-goal or to the dead ball line, a free kick is awarded to the non offending side at the place of the kick

No "mark"

No 22 m drop out - free kick 10 m from a goal line instead

No scrums, no lineouts - free kick instead

Free kick: Opposition distance: at least 8 metres