

Central BOP Junior Rugby Dispensation Policy

17. Player Dispensations

17.1 The following policy for junior rugby player dispensations will apply in 2016

- a. Girls are dispensated to play one year below their age grade if they wish.
- b. Dispensations will apply to four clubs only i.e. Galatea, Reporoa, Mamaku and Rotoiti on the basis that rural clubs may have difficulty in some age grades forming complete teams and therefore rural based players would lose the opportunity to play rugby.
- c. Dispensation criteria and process will apply.

17.2 In 2016 CBOP JRC requires that:

- a. CBOP JRC Club Delegates are responsible for ensuring that the dispensation criteria are applied first by the club before dispensation application is made to CBOP JRC. This is to ensure applications for dispensation are made only for players that satisfy the dispensation criteria.
- b. The application of the dispensation criteria by clubs in the first instance is a potential reputational issue for the club and delegate. Care needs to be taken to ensure the club applies the dispensation criteria honestly.

17.3 Dispensation Criteria

- a. Weight restrictions (appended)
- b. No Representative players will be dispensated (even if they are within the weight restriction)
- c. If the Player safety and Regulations Sub Committee regard the player as highly skilled relative to players in the grade they are playing in, the player's dispensation will be reviewed.
- d. Dispensations can be reviewed at any time during the season.

17.4 2015 Dispensation Process

- a. Club CBOP JRC Delegates are responsible for seeing that the dispensation criteria are applied first by the club before dispensation application is made to CBOP JRC. This is to ensure applications for dispensation are made only for players that are highly likely to satisfy the dispensation criteria. This is a reputational issue for the club and delegate
- b. Application for Dispensation of Player forms (appended) can be downloaded from the BOP RU website.
- c. Applications for dispensation must be received by **5pm Weds 4th May 2016** and should be addressed to "CBOP JRC Dispensation applications" and emailed to dispensations@centralboprugby.co.nz or handed directly to the Chair of the Player Safety and Regulations Sub Committee which handles dispensations.
- d. **Dispensation applicants will present themselves to dispensation committee members at the area between Westbrook 1 and Westbrook 2 on the first non comp game day 7th May at either 10am or 11.30am for weigh in and checking of**

application papers. Dispensation applicants are to provide a copy of their birth certificate and a current 5cm x 5cm portrait photograph of themselves at that time.

e. Dispensated players will be observed by the dispensation sub committee (or the committee may co-opt suitable people for that purpose) who may grant the dispensation but may review and withdraw the dispensation at any time throughout the season. That review will be on the basis that the player is having too great an impact on the game.

f. Dispensated players are required to wear a bright easily distinguishable arm band on each arm above the elbow during the entire time of each game they play in (The arm bands will be different colors for different teams as they will have to stand out easily on the club jersey). This is so that all players, spectators and the dispensation committee can easily recognise the dispensated players. Failure to comply with this requirement will result in the player's dispensation being withdrawn.

g. A list of current dispensated players will be provided to all clubs via their delegates for their information and the list redistributed when changes occur.

h. The Dispensation Sub Committee will notify the respective club delegate if a player's dispensation has been reviewed.

i. The Team folder will include the approved dispensation application of the player and the players with dispensation highlighted on the Team Sheet for each game.

j. The Dispensation Sub Committee may convene from time to time throughout the season as is required and will raise any issues and solutions with the CBOP JRC Committee.

Dispensation application form

Central BOP JAB Dispensation Application Approval and Review

Players Full Name	
Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	
Gender (male or female)	
Central BOP Rugby Club	
Has Player played for a Rep team?	
Is Player under weight limit for team they wish to play in? (see table below).	

Age	Weight limits
Under 6	
5 Yrs and under on 1 st January	Open
Over age	N/A
Under 7	
6 Yrs and under on 1 st January	Open
Over age	N/A
Under 8	
7 Yrs and under on 1 st January	Open
Over age	N/A
Under 9	
8 Yrs and under on 1 st January	Open
Over age	30Kg and under
Under 10	
9 Yrs and under on 1 st January	Open
Over age	35Kg and under
Under 11	
10 Yrs and under on 1 st January	Open
Over age	40Kg and under
Under 12	
11 Yrs and under on 1 st January	Open
Over age	45Kg and under
Under 13	
12 Yrs and under on 1 st January	Open
Over age	50Kg and under

Dispensation approved (date)	CBOP Dispensation Sub Committee name and signature
Dispensation Reviewed (date)	CBOP Dispensation Sub Committee name and signature

Note: A player may not play down more than one grade