



# THE BREAKDOWN

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## Game Prep & Setup

Every team has played at least one game! Thank you to everyone for continuing to put in the hard work on behalf of these players. We've had a number of items come up that suggest a need for some important game preparation reminders.

- **Confirm game details with assigned referee and trainer.** Ref and trainer assignments, along with contact info, can be found on the [Spring 2022 LIVE master game schedule](#). This file is saved to the [Coaches Info](#) page of the Rugby Ohio website, under Reference Documents, and is updated multiple times a day. Please check back often.
- **Team Sheets.** Most teams are doing a great job with getting team sheets completed before kickoff. Make sure the jersey number on the team sheet is the number worn by the player in the game. If your team sheet is inaccurate it may lead to players being sanctioned by the Ohio Rugby Disciplinary Board for actions they didn't commit.
- **Technical Zones.** Technical zones are required to be in place by USA Rugby. Please refer to this [document](#) for various field setup requirements, depending on the type of venue you use. This document is also stored in the Reference Documents section of the Coaches Info page. If the referee indicates that TZs were not set up and/or used, the home team will be issued a warning. Subsequent offenses will be recorded as forfeits by the home team.
- **Ice for trainer.** The home team is required to provide ice in a cooler on the field for use by the athletic trainer.
- **Updated coach contact list.** Remember, only coaches without yellow highlighted cells, but who are on this list are eligible to be on the sidelines.

## Select Side Nominations



Please be on the lookout for an email requesting regional select side player nominations. Nominations are put forth by the head coach of each team.

The Regional Conference select sides will be an awesome experience for your players, as well as an excellent opportunity for exposure to college coaches, national level select side scouts, etc. and we are excited to be able to offer it to them.

Your players will not be able to participate without your nominations so please think about it and be ready to submit when contacted. Contact [bradfieldry@rugbyohio.com](mailto:bradfieldry@rugbyohio.com) with any questions.

Select Sides

## Playoffs & Graduation Conflicts

The Spring 2022 playoffs will look a little different this year. Regional quarterfinals will be hosted by Rugby Ohio in central locations. Semifinals will be played on both Saturday, May 28th and Sunday, May 29th so that all games can be played in the stadium. The Flex League will participate on June 4th and will play on the grass fields. We'll also be offering a 3rd/4th place game on June 4th for the Single School and

Club Division teams who lost at semis. Super Elite D1 will continue to have a JV playoff.

These weekends are always filled with graduation conflicts. If your team has graduation scheduled for one of the following days, please contact [info@rugbyohio.com](mailto:info@rugbyohio.com) with the details:

- May 21st: Regional Quarterfinals
- May 28th: Semifinals
- May 29th: Semifinals
- June 4th: Championships

Rugby Ohio will work to accommodate graduations as much as possible. Divisional assignments are being finalized now and will be published shortly. Remember that teams with 85% or greater players from the same school are considered single school teams.

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## Coaches' Corner Call

We ask you to find someone from your team to join for the call next Monday. It's a crazy busy time but we can answer any questions you have and cover a couple of other important topics. You should have an invite on your calendar but here are the details, just in case:

April 11, 2022, 8 to 9pm

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://rugbyohio.zoom.us/j/95820984067?pwd=VDIjL09yVm9pY2ZvVzRxU2hxdDN6Zz09>

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