



IRFU POLICY FOR DOMESTIC MATCH OFFICIALS OFFICIATING ABROAD.

Unless specifically authorized in writing by the IRFU, IRFU domestic referees (provincial branch & club and school affiliate) are NOT sanctioned by the IRFU to officiate outside of Ireland and are not covered by IRFU Insurances if they choose to do so. Accordingly, and for avoidance of doubt, unless so authorized they will be officiating at their own risk.

For example,

- A. Referee arranging / invited to officiate in a sevens tournament held outside of Ireland;
- B. Referee traveling / visiting / residing abroad for a short period and accepting appointments locally;

will **not** be covered by IRFU Insurances unless officially sanctioned by the IRFU and therefore deemed to be on IRFU business.

In rare circumstances the IRFU may sanction domestic referees to officiate abroad to aid development or for ambassadorial purposes. Permission must be sought directly from the IRFU. Queries in this regard should be made in writing to the IRFU Referee Department. Neysa.herity@irfu.ie or Julie.moran@irfu.ie