

Have your say on Adult Men's Competitions

If you care about men's rugby, are a current or former player, coach/Director of Rugby, club administrator, club member or supporter, please spend a few minutes completing [this survey](#) about adult men's competitions.

Review of men's competitions

The survey is the first stage of a review into the adult men's competition structure. The levels of game in scope for this work are the men's RFU leagues from National 1 (level 3) to Counties 5 (level 11), merit and social leagues. We want to ensure that views from the community game inform any changes that are proposed in future.

Why we're reviewing adult men's competitions

With players at the heart of the game, it is vital that the RFU develops the right competition structures for participants at all levels of rugby.

26/27 is the 40th men's league season and the introduction of the seamless pyramid that has underpinned our game. Contexts, changes in society and player expectations have changed significantly since those early days and the leagues have gone through numerous evolutions over the intervening years.

We last made changes to the Men's competition structures for the 2022/23 season following a wide-ranging review and consultation. In early 2025, in our commitments to the community game, we said we would work with the community game to simplify and modernise competition structures across all areas of the game. We recognise the complexity of this work, the competing demands on clubs and players, and the important role competitions play in attracting and retaining players.

Complete the survey now

Your views really matter. The more people we hear from, the more confidence we can have that any recommendations that are put forward from this review are as representative as possible of the community game.

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The outcomes of the review are part of a wider project, Rugby Competitions Landscape, that seeks to align our competitions model across the age grade, women's, men's and recreational game. They will be shared with the community game once the work has been completed.

Please take the opportunity to have your say.

Yours

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