

**Forfeit Policy.**

The local CR may recognize two different types of Forfeits. All forfeits must be recorded within CMS. Match Forfeits and Administrative Forfeits are defined below.

All Forfeits are recorded as a 28-0 (4 converted tries) win for the non-offending side and will receive the full 5 points in the CMS system. The offending side will receive a -1 penalty point in the CMS system.

**Match Forfeits** occur when the match is played but a team agrees to forfeit, or when the game is cancelled entirely for non-weather/field related reasons.

**Administrative Forfeits** are imposed on a club due to a policy violation, either USA Rugby Registration or CMS violations.

The local CR may decide how to structure sanctions around one or more Forfeits. Forfeits may be grounds for consideration for relegation to a lower division, and/or barring from playoffs in the current competitive cycle. The local governing union may also impose financial sanctions. Any local sanctions regarding Forfeits must be published and available at the start of the competition cycle by the local CR or governing union.

**Match Cancellation Policy.**

Cancelled matches are frequently determined well in advance of the scheduled match date and should be rescheduled in a timely fashion. If a field cancellation occurs for any reason within 24 hours of the originally scheduled match and another suitable and reasonable field within 30 miles cannot be located, the weather rescheduling policy should be followed.

Otherwise, If the original Home field was cancelled (more than 24 hours in advance), the Home team shall make any/all efforts to secure a suitable and reasonable field for the same date no further than 30 miles in additional travel distance from the original venue for the Away team.

If the Home team cannot secure a field as stated above, the teams will negotiate for a make-up date during the Competitive Season within the vicinity of the original Home team. If a reschedule decision cannot be reached by the two teams prior to 5 p.m. on the date of the originally scheduled match, the match may be rescheduled by the local CR.

If either team requests a match to be cancelled for any other reason, the teams will negotiate for a make-up date as stated above. The team requesting the cancellation risks forfeiting the match if a reasonable reschedule date cannot be determined.