

FOUL PLAY REVIEW COMMITTEE

DECISION

PARTICULARS OF OFFENCE			
Player's surname	Baker	Player's forename(s)	Randall
Player's Union	New Zealand		
Match	New Zealand v Italy		
Competition	World Rugby U20s Championship	Match Date	29 June 2025
Offence	9.20(a) – dangerous clearout	SELECT: Red card ☐ Citing ☒	
Finding of Committee <i>Foul play determined?</i> <i>Red card upheld?</i>	Foul play determined, citing upheld		
Summary of Sanction	6 weeks/matches reduced to 3 weeks/matches Player is given leave by the FPRC to apply for Coaching Intervention Sanction Mitigation programme; if successful, sanction may be reduced to 2 weeks/matches		
Matches/tournaments included in sanction	New Zealand U20s v Georgia, 4 July 2025 New Zealand U20s v Italy, 9 July 2025 New Zealand U20s v TBC, 14 July 2025 – should he apply for and successfully complete the Coaching Intervention Sanction Mitigation programme, he will be free to play in this match		
REASONS FOR DECISION			
The Player made direct contact with the victim player's head. By reason of the mandatory notation to Appendix 1 to WR Reg 17 (contact with the head) the entry point commences at Mid-Range. We find that the Player's offending is Mid-Range (6 weeks) not Top End. As to mitigation we are prepared to offer the Player the full 50% discount considering his early acceptance of breach, clean disciplinary record and his young age and inexperience. There are no aggravating features. Accordingly, we offer the Player an indication of sanction of 3 weeks (50% of 6 weeks = 3 weeks).			

Foul Play Review Committee Members	Adam Casselden SC (Aus) David Croft (Aus) Donal Courtney (Ire)		
Signature Chair	Adam Casselden SC	Date	30/06/2025