

World Rugby Goggles Global Law Trial



In January 2014, World Rugby launched the Rugby Goggles Global Law Trial to assess the potential for players who have a need to wear corrective lenses to do so while playing rugby and not increase the risks to them or to other players. In the 3 years since this launch, World Rugby have worked with experts and participants to determine the requirements that need to be addressed in developing a performance specification that can be adopted into law. This work has resulted in the development of a second phase of the project in which the adjustments made will be assessed for suitability.

The goggles continue to perform highly against international standards for the aspects in impact resistance and field of vision. In addition to this, the shape and retention criteria set out by World Rugby to minimise the risk to all players have not changed.

The launch of the new Rugby Goggles 2.0 sees increased performance in anti-fogging and scratch as well as the introduction of a smaller size device more suited to smaller players.

Rugby Goggles are also being used, as part of the trial, by people who suffer from chronic eye conditions. This includes people with monocular vision, restricted vision in one or both eyes and people with eye conditions that put them at a greater risk of vision loss than the general population. While the Rugby Goggles are not designed to provide extra protection for such individuals, they may be worn for that purpose if the individual considers that it is beneficial to do so.

This next phase of the project is being complemented by a robust research project to identify if any further work is needed before looking to bring the goggles into law. This project is being undertaken by the Ulster University and the University of Bradford who will be contacting all registrants regarding their experiences of using the goggles. World Rugby encourages all participants to assist in this process so that a true sense of the experiences of using the goggles can be achieved.

There are three steps in the process for participating in the trial:

- Register on the World Rugby Passport system and then complete the registration process for the Goggles Trial (see link below). This will provide you with a Unique Purchase Code (UPC).

- Go to the Raleri website and, using the UPC, purchase your goggles, indicating which size (smaller or larger) you would prefer. Note that goggles can only be sold to individuals with a valid UPC.
- Once the Rugby Goggles have been received, take them to your optician/optometrist and have plastic lenses inserted in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. If the player does not require corrective lenses, the player may remove the lens-insert in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and may use the Rugby Goggles as provided.

It is important to note that only those Rugby Goggles carrying the official World Rugby Trial Approved logo are permitted to be used in the trial, and all participants must demonstrate their need for the Rugby Goggles through a letter from their ophthalmologist/optometrist (or similar expert) stating that there is an ophthalmic or medical need for their use. Inspections and checks may be performed by match referees to ensure that all participants have complied with these conditions.

The use of the Rugby Goggles is permitted in any game of Rugby. Any player who considers the risks inherent in playing with or against someone wearing the Rugby Goggles to be outside of acceptable levels of risk is free to choose not to participate in the game. However, the use of the Rugby Goggles is not grounds for preventing the wearer from playing in the game.

The success or otherwise of the Global Law Trial will determine whether Rugby Goggles will be permitted to be worn beyond the trial period and enable World Rugby to provide a Rugby Goggles Specification. It is therefore essential that World Rugby receives feedback from all those who elect to become part of the trial by purchasing and using a pair of the Rugby Goggles.

Thanks again for your interest and participation in the World Rugby Goggles Global Law Trial.

I would like to remind that to buy our WR Rugby Goggles you have to obtain a valid IRB Purchase code that You can easily get from here:

<http://playerwelfare.worldrugby.org/goggles>

https://www.raleri.com/shop/catalog/index.php?language=en&osCsid=ab7979e6a9afe94285624e792d1b3a78&cPath=&cPath=57_96&products_id=&products_id=

Rugby Goggles - Prescription and Non Prescription

The range of our WR Rugby Goggles include two version called EVO and PRO.

The main difference between the two versions it's in the lens raw material, as the EVO it's in polycarbonate and the PRO in Nylon. The latter being so lighter and more impact resistant than the EVO. Moreover the PRO It's also supplied with a spare parts kit, that includes antifog inner lens, foam, strap and a couple of insert clip-on.

So we normally suggest the PRO version for professional players or for those who make "intensive" use of it.

Both of them have two sizes, size A (standard) and B, that we suggest for player with cranial circumference less than 51 cm.

Anyway also the size A is suitable for Young player (see the attached pictures).

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