



2018 Colts (U21) Competition Format and Playing Dates

1. The Colts (U21) Competition will start on **Saturday 7th April** with **8** teams entered in the grade.
2. The core kick-off time for the grade will be **1.00pm** (unless arranged/advised otherwise - with kick-off being strictly on time).
3. **Teams will play 2 full rounds of 7 weeks, with round 2 reversed of round 1**, which will lead into the Semi-Finals and Finals.

Teams will **PLAY** on Queens Birthday Saturday 2nd June.

Colts (U21s) - Competition Playing Dates:

Week 1	7 April	- Round 1 Commences	Week 9	2 June	- (Queen's Birthday) PLAY
Week 2	14 April		Week 10	9 June	
Week 3	21 April		Week 11	16 June	
Week 4	28 April		Week 12	30 June	
Week 5	5 May		Week 13	7 July	
Week 6	12 May		Week 14	8 July	
Week 7	19 May		Week 15	14 July	- Semi-Finals
Week 8	26 May	- Start of Round 2	Week 16	21 July	- Finals

4. Points are 4 points for a win, 2 for a draw, and 1 bonus point for scoring 4 tries and 1 bonus point for finishing within 7 or less points. A default win is 5 points. Round 1 points will carry over to round 2.
5. On the 14th July the Colts (U21) Grade Semi-Finals commence to establish finalists for the Championship and Plate sections. Teams will be ranked 1 to **8** from the finishing positions after the 14 weeks of play *.

The top 4 teams play in the **Championship** Semi-Finals.

Team 1 plays Team 4 in Semi Final 1

Team 2 plays Team 3 in Semi Final 2

The middle teams play in the **Plate** semi-final.

Team 5 plays Team 8 in Semi Final 3

Team 6 plays Team 7 in Semi Final 4

6. On the 21st July Semi-Final winners will play in the Championship (at QBE Stadium) & Plate Finals.

Trophies

- The Colts (U21) Team with the most points at the end of the first round is the winner of The Peter Thorburn Shield.
- The winner of the Colts (U21) Championship Final receives The Wynyard Cup.
- A trophy is awarded for the Plate winner.

(* Note: The Tied Team Formula should be viewed in conjunction with this format document.)