



## THE RUGBY FIVES ASSOCIATION

### AMERICAN DOUBLES COMPETITION FORMAT

This type of competition is a good way to mix players of all abilities and have some fun. It also gives the lower ability player to stand a chance of winning.

#### How do I set this Type of Competition up?

- Firstly, Rank the players according to ability. Then partner the players so that the top ranked player is partnered with the lowest ranked player, e.g. if there are 12 players, Number 1 being the top player and Number 12 being the lowest ranked, are partnered together.

Go down your list:

1+12; 2+11; 3+10; 4+9; 5+8; 6+7.

- Secondly, it is your choice on how you wish to organise the Competition at this point, with regards to a Round Robin format or a straight Knock-Out.

ROUND ROBIN ALTERNATIVE (With 12 Players):

(i) Split the Pairs into 2 Pools of 6 Pairs

	1	2	3	4	5	6
1						
2						
3						
4						
5						
6						

- That means you have a Total of 15 games to play
- Games To Play Formula: 6 Pairs, that means  $5+4+3+2+1 = 15$  Total Games.
- Time Formula? Allow approximately 20 minutes per game and short break:  $15 \times 20 = 5$  hours.

Have fun Organising in whatever way you choose.