

RUGBY REFEREES

Accreditation Changes 2022

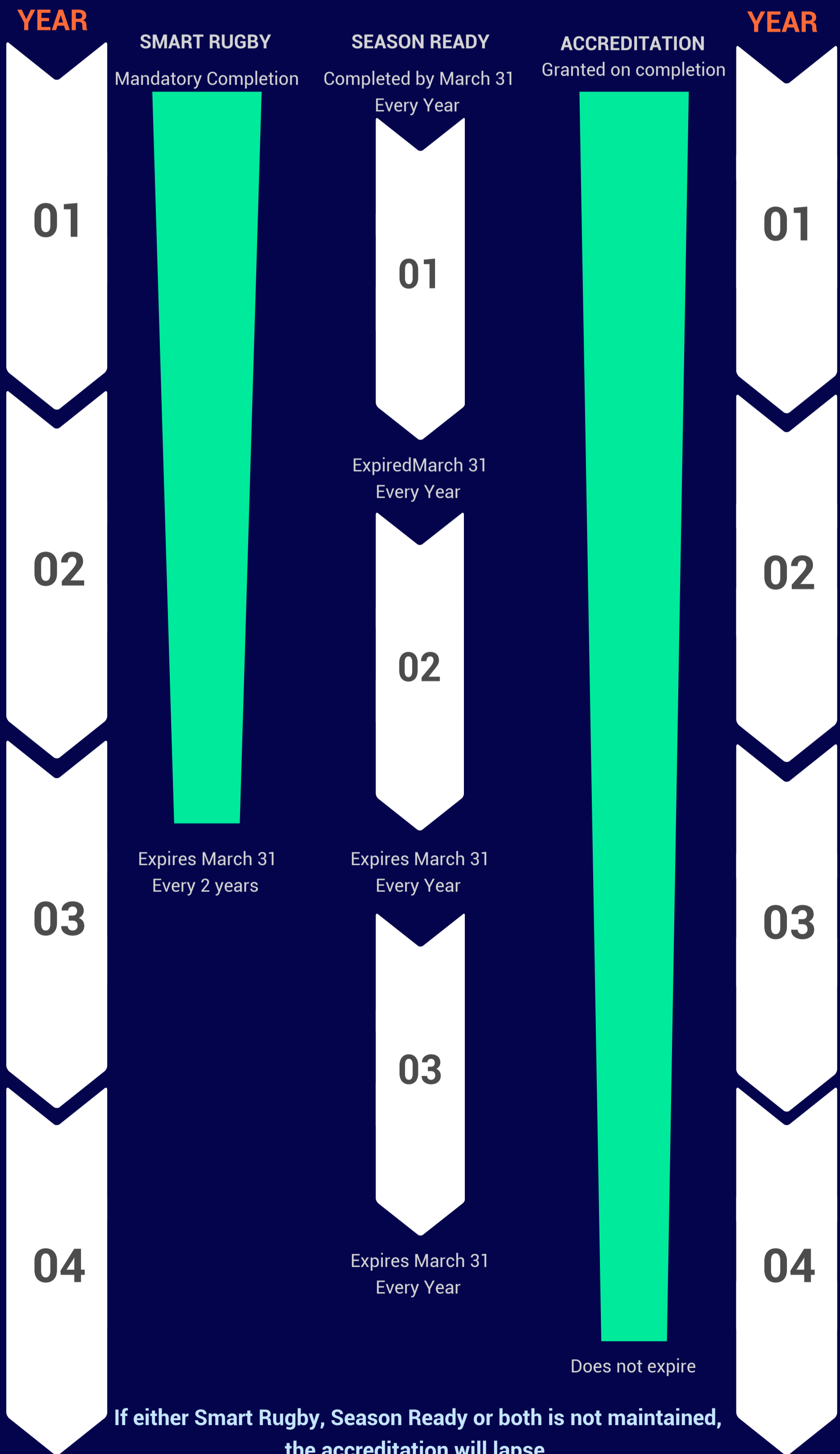
1. Initial accreditation does not expire once gained (**new**)
2. Season Ready must be completed every year (**new**)
3. Smart Rugby must be completed every two years (**existing**)
4. Not having current Season Ready or Smart Rugby will lapse your accreditation. Re-gaining current Season Ready and Smart Rugby will make your accreditation current again (**new**)
5. Gaining higher-level accreditation expires previous accreditation (e.g. Level 1 Referee expires Refereeing Kids Rugby)(**new**)

Season Ready - Referee

Season Ready has been introduced for 3 reasons:

1. Ensuring Match Officials maintain currency from year to year- e.g. updating new laws, interpretations and Game Management Guidelines.
2. Season Ready will replace the re-accreditation process. Match Officials will need to complete Season Ready on a yearly basis to retain their accreditation.
3. Allowing the Match Official to maintain accreditation in smaller increments compared to a large re-accreditation program prior to the expiring.

ACCREDITATION FLOW



If either Smart Rugby, Season Ready or both is not maintained, the accreditation will lapse.

When upgrading accreditations, this will cause the previous accreditation to expire.



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