

## **Promotion and Relegation Policy**

The FRU will pursue a goal to produce the highest caliber Union Rugby Football through its sanctioned events and competitions. Promotion and relegation of clubs to higher and lower divisions through competition is one of the mechanisms that will be used to accomplish this goal. The VP/ Competition Chair will recommend to the FRU Executive Board which teams are to be promoted and relegated based upon the previous season's final results (USAR) and FRU rankings.

- a. At the end of each season the VP/Competition Chair will contact teams he/she believes should be promoted or relegated based upon the final competition standings in the state.
- b. Clubs that do not wish to be promoted or relegated will then reply within 2 weeks
- c. In the case where a club does not accept the promotion/relegation, the Executive Committee will then hear the case of the competitions chair and the club within a month of original notification of club of recommended status. The Executive Committee will then decide upon promotion or relegation of the club
- d. If the outcome is not as the club had petitioned, they may stay in their division but may not advance out of the state in the next year's league competition. This is subject to appeal to USAR.