

**To:** Secretaries/CEO's of Unions and Regional Associations in Membership

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**Subject:** Law Ruling by Designated Members of Laws Committee

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**The WRU has requested a ruling with regard Law 14 – Ball on the Ground-No Tackle**

May a player lying on the ground during general play and not after a tackle, attempt to tackle a ball carrier?

**The Designated Members have ruled the following in answer to the question raised:**

**Ruling**

Law 14 states 'The game is to be played by players on their feet'. The action noted above is illegal.