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Memo

To: ASAA Member Schools
Date: May 21, 2024
From: Brad Van Raalte, Assistant Executive Director
cc: Shelbea MacLennan, Assistant Director
Angie Seaman, Girls Rugby Commissioner
Brent Gough, Boys Rugby Commissioner
Re: Rugby Balls at 2024 Provincial Championships

ASAA Member Schools,

The ASAA office is working on finalizing a contract with Rhino Rugby to be the official rugby ball of the ASAA as there is no sponsorship by Gilbert this year. While the deal with Rhino is being negotiated, Rhino has agreed to provide game balls to the Rugby Sevens and Rugby XV Provincial Championships. As such, the hosts will be supplying the Rhino Comet Match Ball, and not Gilbert, as the ball used at the 2024 Rugby Championships.

However, the ASAA respects that, at this time, Gilbert is the official ball in rugby policy and that schools have likely been using a Gilbert ball throughout this season. Therefore, teams may request to use a Gilbert ball at the Provincial Championships. If a team requests to use a Gilbert ball, that request will be granted (provided the teams supply new Gilbert Barbarian balls) regardless of if the other team prefers to use the Rhino.

If you have any questions please contact shelbea@asaa.ca.

