

Durham County Rugby Football Union Referees' Society

Referees' Grades – Season 2025-26

January 2026

Women's International Panel Nikki O'Donnell	RFU Match Officials Paul Fincken Brendan Fitzmaurice Nathan Howarth Alan Hughes		Level 5 Guy Alexander Louis Dinsdale (Will Lacey*)
Level 6 Andy Black Shaun Cox Matt Dunn* Nick Evans* Andrew Flisher* Lewis Lacey * Revis Phillips Alistair Sweetin*	Level 7 Mark Harrington Sam Hines Mark Piert Andrew Scott Andrew Temple	Level 8 Trevor Alley Jenny Carter John Forester James Gordon Ryan Hodges Tim Lang Joe Riddle Tony Rutherford Mark Smith Ray Sutherland David Swainson Nigel Thompson Michael Tonra Mark Wise	Level 9 (Daniel Addison) Simon Ashton Maciej Byles Derek English Kate Harrison David Hines John Knight Stuart Major Wilf How Alan Irvin Lee MacKeith Ollie Mckinstry Stuart Major Richard Morrison Derek Muirhead Steve Pounder Darren Price Gary Strong Richard Varle Isaac Wilkinson Steven Wilson
Level 10 Jonathan Attwood Henry Brace (Vicky Coates) Andrew Featherstone Nicola Hunter William Roberts Dave Swinbourne	Provisional/Level 11 (Vicky Bathrelou) Robert Blackburn Calvin Cushley Thomas Loftus Emma Pierce Graeme White		

* Federation Development Squad (TBC)

() indicates NOT available due to injury/other circumstances

Relative positions determined from reports to date.

Names within the grade are in alphabetical order.

Fitness requirements – Season 2025-26 Every referee is encouraged to pass the fitness test at the appropriate level.