

PROTOCOLS FOR PERSONS ENTERING THE PLAYING AREA

1 Up to two medical staff may enter the playing area at any time to attend to injured players. The medical staff must return to the technical area once they have completed the treatment of the injured player.

2 Water may be taken on to the pitch during breaks in play, including when tries have been scored but not during penalty kicks. Up to two water carriers may be used per team. The water carriers must not attempt to distract a goal kicker. The water carriers must return to their technical area before the referee restarts play.

3 At all other times, players must go to their designated technical area to take water. Bottles must not be thrown on and off the pitch.