



## JUDICIAL UPDATE

**Monday 4 March 2024**

### **NIGEL AH WONG ISSUED A WARNING**

**Player:** Nigel Ah Wong

**Team:** Moana Pasifika

**Position:** Wing

**Date of Incident:** 2 March 2024

**Nature of Offence:** Law 9.13: A player must not tackle an opponent early, late or dangerously. Dangerous tackling includes, but is not limited to, tackling or attempting to tackle an opponent above the line of the shoulders even if the tackle starts below the line of the shoulders.

**Elapsed time in match when incident occurred:** 53:50

#### **Nigel Ah Wong issued a Warning**

The Super Rugby Pacific Foul Play Review Committee reviewed the Red Card awarded to Nigel Ah Wong of Moana Pasifika for contravening Law 9.13: A player must not tackle an opponent early, late or dangerously, during a Super Rugby Pacific Match at the Weekend.

Ah Wong has been issued with a Warning for his actions. A Warning may be issued by the Super Rugby Pacific Foul Play Review Committee for foul play incidents that are very close to, but in their opinion do not meet the Red Card threshold.

The incident occurred in the 53rd minute of the match between Moana Pasifika and Fijian Drua at AAMI Park in Melbourne on 2 March 2024.

The Super Rugby Pacific Foul Play Review Committee of Stephen Hardy (Chair), Stefan Terblanche and Ofisa Tonu'u assessed the case.

In his finding, Foul Play Review Committee Chair Stephen Hardy ruled the following:

"Having conducted a detailed review of all the available evidence, including all camera angles and additional evidence, including from the player and submissions from his legal representative, Aaron Lloyd, the Foul Play Review Committee found the foul play did not breach the Red Card threshold."

"With respect to sanction the Foul Play Review Committee deemed the act of foul play merited aWarning as it was close to, but did not breach the Red Card threshold."

"In light of the above, the red card will be removed from the Player's record and it will be replaced with a Warning sanction for the offence which will remain on the Player's record."

"The player is therefore free to resume playing."

ENDS