

## Wednesday 6 March 2024

## FOUL PLAY REVIEW COMMITTEE NEWS RELEASE

Foul Play Review Committee: Stephen Hardy (Chairperson), Ofisa Tonu'u and Stefan

Terblanche

Player: Jordie Barrett

**Team**: Hurricanes **Position**: Centre

Date of Incident: 3 March 2024

Nature of Offence: Law 9.13 (A player must not tackle an opponent early, late or

dangerously)

Elapsed time in match when offence occurred: 56:01

## SANZAAR NEWS RELEASE

Jordie Barrett suspended for 3 weeks.

The SANZAAR Foul Play Review Committee (FPRC) has found Jordie Barrett of the Hurricanes guilty of contravening Law 9.13: A player must not tackle an opponent early, late or dangerously, after they received a red card during a Super Rugby Pacific Match at the Weekend.

Barrett has been suspended from all forms of the game up to and including 22 March 2024.

The incident occurred in the 56th minute of the match between the Hurricanes and Reds at AAMI Park in Melbourne on 3 March 2024.

The Foul Play Review Committee, comprised of Stephen Hardy (Chairperson), Ofisa Tonu'u and Stefan Terblanche, assessed the case.

In his finding, the FPRC Chairperson 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 upheld the red card given to the player under Law 9.13."

"Following the World Rugby Head Contact Process, the FPRC assessed the player's actions as having directly contacted the head, at high speed, with high force and while the player's body position was always upright into the collision."

"The FPRC considered the act of foul play was always-illegal. In those circumstances, no mitigation was applied."

"The FPRC concluded that the foul play warrants a mid-range entry point of 6 weeks, and after mitigating factors, the FPRC decided to reduce the sanction to 3 weeks."

"The player is therefore suspended for 3 weeks, up to and including 22 March 2024."

"The FPRC had also confirmed that, after reviewing the incident and the Player's record, the Player is eligible to apply for the "Head Contact Process - Coaching Intervention" with World Rugby."

**ENDS**