

POST MATCH REPORT



**JAPAN
RUGBY**

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**FRANCE
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**NATIONS
CHAMPIONSHIP**

Round 3 - - 18/07/2026 - Japan National Stadium - Referee: Ben O'Keeffe (New); Attendance: 52,632



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	0-5	Maxime Lamothe, try 1
	0-7	Maxime Lucu, conversion 2
Takuro Matsunaga, penalty goal 9	3-7	
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REPLACEMENTS

Michael Leitch for Esei Ha'angana	48:24	Killian Tixeront for Lenni Nouchi	6:07
Takato Okabe for Sojiro Otsuka	48:24	Hugo Auradou for Florian Verhaeghe	6:07
Mike Stolberg for Harry Hockings	52:42	Florian Verhaeghe for Hugo Auradou	17:17
Taira Main for Kippe Ishida	52:42	Lenni Nouchi for Killian Tixeront	17:17
Izi Sword for Keijiro Tamefusa	56:32	Hugo Auradou for Florian Verhaeghe	40:00
Kenji Sato for Hayate Era	61:57	Peato Mauvaka for Maxime Lamothe	55:14
Tiennan Costley for Jack Cornelsen	62:00	Reda Wardi for Jefferson Poirot	55:16
Shunsuke Uenobo for Ryunosuke Ito	62:00	Sipili Falatea for Regis Montagne	55:17
		Tom Staniforth for Emmanuel Meafou	55:18
		Kalvin Gourgues for Yoram Moefana	55:18
		Killian Tixeront for Lenni Nouchi	61:59
		Paul Graou for Maxime Lucu	67:34



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POSSESSION %		
49.24		50.76
PASSES		
167		116
KICKS		
22		24
CARRIES		
135		132
METRES		
475		491
DEFENDERS BEATEN		
18		21
LINE BREAKS		
5		13
OFFLOADS		
6		6
PENALTIES CONCEDED		
10		10
TACKLES		
144		160
MISSED TACKLES		
21		18
TURNOVERS WON		
7		4
LINEOUT SUCCESS %		
90.91		93.33
SCRUM SUCCESS %		
100		100
TURNOVERS CONCEDED		
11		15

JAPAN – PLAYER DATA

NO	NAME	TRIES	CONVERSIONS	PENALTY GOALS	DROP GOALS	POINTS	MINUTES PLAYED	YELLOW CARD	RED CARD	PENS CONCEDED	CARRIES	METRES	PASSES	OFFLOAD	LINE BREAKS	TACKLES	TURNOVERS WON	LINEOUTS WON
15	Takuro Matsunaga	0	1	1	0	5	80	0	0	0	9	58	3	0	1	3	0	0
14	Kazuma Ueda	0	0	0	0	0	80	0	0	0	2	21	2	0	0	5	0	0
13	Dylan Riley	0	0	0	0	0	80	0	0	0	9	40	4	1	0	4	0	0
12	Samisoni Tua	0	0	0	0	0	80	0	0	0	14	43	3	1	1	6	0	0
11	Kippeï Ishida	1	0	0	0	5	53	0	0	0	4	46	3	0	1	5	0	0
10	Ryunosuke Ito	0	0	0	0	0	62	0	0	0	7	44	16	0	0	2	0	0
9	Naoto Saito	0	0	0	0	0	80	0	0	1	7	17	87	0	1	7	0	0
1	Sojiro Otsuka	1	0	0	0	5	48	0	0	2	9	16	2	0	0	4	0	0
2	Hayate Era	0	0	0	0	0	62	0	0	2	8	11	4	1	0	14	0	0
3	Keijiro Tamefusa	0	0	0	0	0	57	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	8	0	0
4	Harry Hockings	0	0	0	0	0	42	1	0	1	9	30	7	0	0	5	0	0
5	Warner Dearn	0	0	0	0	0	80	0	0	0	6	26	5	0	0	12	2	1
6	Esei Ha'angana	0	0	0	0	0	48	0	0	0	10	5	3	1	0	11	0	0
7	Ben Gunter	0	0	0	0	0	80	0	0	0	13	40	2	0	0	16	3	0
8	Jack Cornelsen	0	0	0	0	0	62	0	0	1	5	19	3	0	0	8	0	5
16	Kenji Sato	0	0	0	0	0	18	0	0	0	2	2	1	0	0	4	0	0
17	Takato Okabe	0	0	0	0	0	32	0	0	0	1	2	2	0	0	5	0	0
18	Izi Sword	0	0	0	0	0	23	0	0	1	2	1	1	0	0	3	0	0
19	Mike Stolberg	0	0	0	0	0	27	0	0	1	2	3	1	0	0	2	0	0
20	Michael Leitch	0	0	0	0	0	32	0	0	1	3	13	3	0	0	11	2	0
21	Tiennan Costley	0	0	0	0	0	18	0	0	0	5	13	5	2	1	4	0	2
22	Taira Main	0	0	0	0	0	27	0	0	0	2	22	3	0	0	5	0	0
23	Shunsuke Uenobo	0	0	0	0	0	18	0	0	0	3	3	7	0	0	0	0	0

TOP TACKLES

Ben Gunter	16
Hayate Era	14
Warner Dearn	12
Michael Leitch	11
Esei Ha'angana	11

TOP METRES

Takuro Matsunaga	58
Kippeï Ishida	46
Ryunosuke Ito	44
Samisoni Tua	43
Dylan Riley	40

TOP DEFENDERS BEATEN

Samisoni Tua	3
Hayate Era	3
Ben Gunter	3
Tiennan Costley	2
Michael Leitch	2

TOP KICKS FROM HAND

Naoto Saito	9
Ryunosuke Ito	6
Dylan Riley	4
Takuro Matsunaga	1
Shunsuke Uenobo	1

TOP CARRIES

Samisoni Tua	14
Ben Gunter	13
Esei Ha'angana	10
Takuro Matsunaga	9
Sojiro Otsuka	9

TOP LINEOUTS

Jack Cornelsen	5
Tiennan Costley	2
Warner Dearn	1

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15	Matthieu Jalibert	2	0	0	0	10	70	1	0	1	13	104	9	0	3	1	0	0
14	Theo Attissogbe	0	0	0	0	0	80	0	0	0	10	83	4	1	3	10	1	0
13	Fabien Brau-Boirie	0	0	0	0	0	80	0	0	0	6	10	3	0	0	8	1	0
12	Yoram Moefana	0	0	0	0	0	55	0	0	2	11	50	6	1	2	3	0	0
11	Aaron Grandidier Nkanang	0	0	0	0	0	80	0	0	1	7	29	1	0	1	2	0	0
10	Romain Ntamack	0	1	0	0	2	80	0	0	0	7	31	15	0	0	17	0	0
9	Maxime Lucu	1	5	0	0	15	68	0	0	0	3	9	49	0	1	11	0	1
1	Jefferson Poirot	0	0	0	0	0	55	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	10	0	0
2	Maxime Lamothe	2	0	0	0	10	55	0	0	0	5	16	0	0	0	6	0	0
3	Regis Montagne	0	0	0	0	0	55	0	0	0	8	15	0	0	0	8	0	0
4	Florian Verhaeghe	0	0	0	0	0	29	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	8	0	3
5	Emmanuel Meafou	0	0	0	0	0	55	0	0	0	12	17	5	1	0	7	0	0
6	Lenni Nouchi	0	0	0	0	0	51	0	0	0	5	6	0	0	1	8	0	4
7	Marko Gazzotti	0	0	0	0	0	77	1	0	1	10	19	3	0	0	16	0	0
8	Alexandre Roumat	1	0	0	0	5	80	0	0	0	7	55	5	2	1	10	0	2
16	Peato Mauvaka	0	0	0	0	0	25	0	0	0	5	20	0	0	1	3	0	0
17	Reda Wardi	0	0	0	0	0	25	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	2	0	0
18	Sipili Falatea	0	0	0	0	0	25	0	0	0	4	0	1	1	0	4	1	0
19	Hugo Auradou	0	0	0	0	0	51	0	0	0	4	1	1	0	0	6	0	4
20	Tom Staniforth	0	0	0	0	0	25	0	0	1	4	5	0	0	0	8	1	0
21	Killian Tixeront	0	0	0	0	0	29	0	0	1	2	2	3	0	0	7	0	0
22	Paul Graou	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	1	2	14	8	0	0	1	0	0
23	Kalvin Gourgues	0	0	0	0	0	25	0	0	0	2	2	1	0	0	4	0	0

TOP TACKLES

Romain Ntamack	17
Marko Gazzotti	16
Maxime Lucu	11
Theo Attissogbe	10
Jefferson Poirot	10

TOP METRES

Matthieu Jalibert	104
Theo Attissogbe	83
Alexandre Roumat	55
Yoram Moefana	50
Romain Ntamack	31

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