



Stars including Australia and England captains **James Tedesco** (1) and **Sam Tomkins** (2)



Rugby League World Cup 2021

OCTOBER 15 - NOVEMBER 19

England hosts the delayed 2021 tournament, with defending champions Australia aiming to maintain their traditional dominance. For the first time, the women's and wheelchair events will run parallel to the men's competition



Competition schedule

0 International Rugby League world rankings (Oct 2022)

Oct	A			
15	England	Samoa	Newcastle	
17	France	Greece	Doncaster	
22	England	France	Bolton	
23	Samoa	Greece	Doncaster	
29	England	Greece	Sheffield	
30	Samoa	France	Warrington	

Oct	B			
15	Australia	Fiji	Leeds	
16	Scotland	Italy	Newcastle	
21	Australia	Scotland	Coventry	
22	Fiji	Italy	Newcastle	
29	Fiji	Scotland	Newcastle	
	Australia	Italy	St. Helens	

Oct	C			
16	Jamaica	Ireland	Leeds	
	N. Zealand	Lebanon	Warrington	
22	N. Zealand	Jamaica	Hull	
23	Lebanon	Ireland	Leigh	
28	N. Zealand	Ireland	Leeds	
30	Lebanon	Jamaica	Leigh	

Oct	D			
18	Tonga	PNG*	St. Helens	
19	Wales	Cook Isl.	Leigh	
24	Tonga	Wales	St. Helens	
25	PNG	Cook Isl.	Warrington	
30	Tonga	Cook Isl.	Middlesbrough	
31	PNG	Wales	Doncaster	

Quarter-finals

Nov 4 Huddersfield

B1	
C2	

Player to watch: Victor Radley, England (right).
Sydney Roosters forward makes England debut after deciding to represent country of Sheffield-born father

Semi-final

Nov 11 Leeds

FINAL

Nov 19 Manchester

Semi-final

Nov 12 London

Quarter-finals

Nov 5 Wigan

A1	
D2	

Nov 5 Hull

C1	
B2	

Jamaica and Greece making World Cup debuts as format expands to 16 teams

RECENT FINALS

▼ Winner		▼ Runner-up	Host
1995 Australia	16-8	England	Wembley Stadium
2000 Australia	40-12	New Zealand	Old Trafford
2008 New Zealand	34-20	Australia	Lang Park
2013 Australia	34-2	New Zealand	Old Trafford
2017 Australia	6-0	England	Lang Park

Top two from each group progress to knockout stage – and qualify directly for 2025 tournament