



Parent's and Spectator's Code of Conduct

- Do not force an unwilling child to participate in rugby.
- Educate your child always to play by the Laws of the Game.
- Acknowledge the value and importance of all volunteer coaches and referees. They give freely of their time and resources to provide rugby for children.
- Recognise that children play rugby for their own fun. They are not there to entertain you and they are not miniature internationals!
- Emphasise respect for referees by not publicly questioning the referee's honesty or decision making - have you refereed without error?
- Encourage a child who has made a mistake during a game - never ridicule.
- Applaud good play by your team and by members of the opposing team. Children learn best by example.
- Teach children that honest effort is as important as victory, so that defeat is accepted without undue disappointment.
- Condemn bad behaviour and bad language.
- Try not to shout continually and at the children, shout occasionally and for them.
- Remember: it is only a game!
- Parents must not enter the changing rooms unless asked to do so by a club official.
- Parents are expected to travel to away games with their child.
- Please remember the club is not a crèche.



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Parents are encouraged to

- Be familiar with the teaching and coaching methods used by observing the sessions in which your child participates.
- Be aware that the club has a duty of care and therefore, where appropriate, offer to assist coaches with the supervision of the young players, particularly where numbers are large.
- Be involved with club activities and share your expertise, help when needed or asked to do so.
- Share concerns, if you have them, with club officials.