



Code of Conduct for Parents

- Remember, young people play rugby for their enjoyment, not only yours.
- Teach young children that honest endeavour is as important as winning, so that the result of each game is accepted without disappointment.
- Ensure that you are appropriately qualified by gaining the relevant coaching accreditation for your particular level.
- Help young people to work towards skill improvement and good sportsmanship
- Set a good example by applauding good play on both sides.
- Never ridicule, humiliate or shout at young players for making a mistake or losing a match.
- Support the IRFU Child Welfare Policy and all policies regarding Children in Sport.
- Do not place emphasis on winning at all costs.
- Do not leave your child unattended, they are your responsibility, not the coaches or the clubs
- Encourage your child always to play by the Laws of the Game.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal & physical abuse from rugby
- As a spectator do not use profane language or harass referees, coaches or players
- Do not publicly question the referee's judgement and never their honesty
- Recognise the value and importance of volunteer referees and coaches.
- Remember you and your child's contribution to the Game of Rugby is very important to the IRFU and be proud of your contribution
- Understand the value of team sport and its importance
- Do not force an unwilling child to participate in the playing of rugby. If the child is to play, he/she will do so in good time through your encouragement.

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