

Codes of Conduct – Parents

Always encourage your child to:

- Enjoy their rugby
- Play by the laws of the game
- Be honest in the game – it is as important as winning
- Work towards skills improvement and good sportsmanship

Set a good example:

- Applaud good play on both sides
- Do not ridicule, humiliate or shout at age grade players for making a mistake or losing a match
- Do not place emphasis on winning at all cost
- Do not use profane language or harass referees, coaches or players
- Do not publicly question the referee's judgement and never their honesty

Acknowledge and uphold the good qualities of the Game of Rugby

- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from rugby
- 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
- Recognise the value and importance of volunteer coaches and referees
- You and your child's contribution is very important to the IRFU, be proud of your contribution
- Understand the value and importance of team sports