



CODE OF CONDUCT

PARENTS AND SPECTATORS

- Do not force or cajole an unwilling child to participate in rugby.
- Teach the child to always know and play by the Laws of the Game.
- Instill in the child an understanding and enjoyment of the value of coaching - always keep off the pitch and let the coach 'call the shots'
- Recognize the efforts and importance of coaches and referees - they give freely of their time to provide rugby for the children.
- Learn that children play rugby for their own fun, not to entertain you. They are not miniature internationals.
- Stress the need to respect referees - Don't abuse them yourself by publicly questioning their honesty or decision-making.
- Never ridicule or scold a child for making a mistake - Always offer positive support and encouragement.
- Applaud good play by both teams (they will hear this) - Don't shout continuously (they won't be listening).
- Encourage honest effort - Teach children that this is as important as victory.
- Set a good example to everyone else by YOUR behavior - Always condemn the use of bad language.