

The Good Parent's Code

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FAIR PLAY CODES OF CONDUCT

PARENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO:

- Be familiar with the coaching and training programme in order that you can ensure that your child is fully involved and the coaches are aware of their availability. (We Our a Club for All but we do have a Number of child on waiting list, So we need to make Sure that your Child Attends or you contact the TC to inform why if you do not make contact for 6 weeks you could lose your child's place .)
- Be familiar with the teaching and coaching methods used by observing the coaching and training sessions in which your child participates.
- Be aware that the club has a duty of care to ensure the safety of players and young players, particularly where numbers are large and there is a need to transport players to away games.
- Be involved with club activities and share your expertise.
- Support their team and the club by volunteering to help out as and where necessary to ensure the smooth running of the junior squad – including helping out after matches, at festivals etc.
- Be familiar with the Good Coaches Code. In particular, be aware that coaches should recognise the importance of **FUN** and **ENJOYMENT** when coaching players, coaches should keep winning and losing in perspective, encouraging players to behave with dignity in all circumstances.
- It is important that parents support coaches in instilling these virtues.
- Share concerns, if you have them, with club officials. Raise any concerns you have in the first instance with the Head Coach. If you feel unable to do this, contact the Coaching Co-ordinator or the Chairman, Treasurer or Secretary of the Club. Contact details for all Committee Members and Volunteers are on the Junior Section noticeboard.

Parent's Initials _____ Date _____
Childs Name _____ Age Group U ____

PARENTS SHOULD:

- Remember that young people play rugby for their own **ENJOYMENT**, and not that of their parents.
- Remember that all Coaches, co-ordinators and helpers at the club are volunteers and give up their time freely and should be **RESPECTED**, thanked and supported in this.
- Park away from the club on Sundays. (Fair view Car park is free on a Sunday and Civic centre is very Cheap), this will allow away teams to be able to park (we only have 70 SPACES).
- Encourage young people to play – do not force them.
- Focus on the player's **TEAMWORK** and effort rather than winning or losing.
- Use social media responsibly, posting only pictures of players within the team on the Facebook pages or privately with minimal presence of children other than your own.
- Be realistic about the player's abilities, do not push them towards a level that they are not capable of achieving.
- Provide only positive verbal feedback, both in training and during games.
- Remember that persistent negative messages will adversely affect the players and referee's performance and attitude.
- Always support the rugby club in their efforts to eradicate loud, coarse and abusive behaviour from the game. Any parent or supervisor found to be abusive may be asked to leave the side lines and/or Club grounds.
- Remember young people learn much by example. Parents are asked to provide a good example at all times.
- Always show appreciation of good play by all players both from your own club and the opposition.
- Respect decisions made by the match officials, even if they appear to make a mistake and encourage the young players to do likewise.
- Support the Club Volunteers in all their endeavours to provide a competitive but safe and enjoyable environment for playing rugby. Treat them with **RESPECT** at all times.
- Accept that the Management Committee will not condone any inappropriate behaviour. Any incident of inappropriate behaviour brought to the notice of the Management Committee will be dealt with in accordance with the Junior Section's Disciplinary procedures. The Management Committee will enforce sanctions as laid down by England Rugby.

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To accept the Code of Conduct, please sign below and return to your Team Co-ordinator:

I accept the above Code of Practice and will abide by the Code whilst I am a parent/guardian of a player with a Barnstaple RFC Junior Section Team.

I understand any serious breach of the Code of Conduct may result in a ban from Barnstaple RFC, either on a temporary or permanent basis.

I will encourage the core Values set out by England Rugby

**TEAMWORK
RESPECT
ENJOYMENT
DISCIPLINE
SPORTSMANSHIP**

Signed: _____

Print Name: _____

Parent of: _____

Team: _____

Date: _____