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## *THE GOOD PLAYER'S CODE*

*Young players should recognise that we are working to provide a safe and enjoyable game in which they can develop both as a player and as an individual.*

*In Rugby Union young players are encouraged to:*

- *Recognise and appreciate the efforts made by coaches, parents, match officials and administrators in providing them with the opportunity to play the game and enjoy the rugby environment.*
- *Understand the values of loyalty and commitment to adults and team mates.*
- *Recognise that every young player has a right to expect their involvement in rugby to be safe and free from all types of abuse.*
- *Understand that if an individual or group of young players feel that they are not being treated in a manner that is acceptable, then they have a right to tell an adult either at the rugby club or outside of the game.*

*In Rugby Union, as a young player, you should:*

- *Play because you want to do so, not to please coaches or parents.*
- *Remember skill development, fun and enjoyment are the most important parts of the game.*
- *Be attentive at all training/coaching sessions.*
- *Work equally hard for yourself and your team and both will then benefit.*
- *Recognise good play by ALL players on your team and by your opponents.*
- *Be a good sportsman - win or lose.*
- *Play to the laws of the game and accept, without question, all the referee's decisions.*
- *Control your emotions. Verbal or physical abuse of team-mates, opponents, or match officials is not acceptable.*
- *Treat all players, as you would like to be treated. Do not interfere with, bully or take unfair advantage of any player.*