



ST DAVIDS MINI JUNIOR AND YOUTH RUGBY CODE OF CONDUCT

In accordance with the guideline laid down by the Welsh Rugby Union (WRU) the Coaching Staff Players and Parents are required to adhere to a code of conduct. Whilst we have not covered every aspect we have outlined below what we feel are the most important points. These codes set out the foundations for the sport of Rugby and the manner in which it should be played. At St Davids Rugby Club our aim is to bring these codes to everyone's attention to ensure that all parties embrace our "Best Practises"

Coaching Staff: They will respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person and treat everyone equally within the context of their sport. They will also place the well being and safety of the child above the development of performance and ensure the activities they direct or advocate are appropriate for the age, maturity, experience and ability of the individual. They will also follow all guidelines laid down by the Welsh Rugby Union Ltd. Coaches will encourage and guide participants to accept responsibility for their own behaviour and promote the positive aspects of their sport e.g. fair play. All Coaches hold up to date nationally recognised Welsh Rugby Union Ltd coaching qualifications and hold appropriate insurance cover. Coaches will consistently display high standards of behaviour and appearance.

Players: They must play Rugby within the Laws and the sporting spirit of the game. They must support and cooperate with fellow team members to ensure the team plays to its maximum capability. They must respect the opposition and the Referee, whose decision is final. They must never use foul language and the must maintain their discipline both on and off the pitch.

Parents: They have the ultimate responsibility of setting an example to the children. They must encourage them to play by the Laws and teach them the importance of effort and teamwork. They will applaud good play from both sides and be friendly to parents of the opposition. They must never question the Referees decisions nor use foul and abusive language or behaviour. They must not force an unwilling child to participate in Rugby, remember their enjoyment is paramount. They should help their child to improve skills and learn a positive attitude to the game. They are also responsible for the safe collection and delivery of their children to and from matches and training sessions.

Everyone who participates in Rugby is entitled to do so in an enjoyable and safe environment. St Davids Rugby Club has a moral and legal obligation to ensure that it provides the highest possible standard of care. The Club will ask those people who don't adhere to the above code to withdraw themselves and their child from the sport. One of the most important points to remember is that we are here to promote, develop and introduce children into the good sport of Rugby.

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