



Weston-super-Mare Mini and Junior Rugby Football Club (RFC) Constitution

1. Name

The section will be called the Weston-super-Mare Mini and Junior RFC and will be affiliated to the Rugby Football Union being a section of Weston-super-Mare RFC referred to as the club.

2. Sub-Committee

The sub-committee shall be known as The Mini and Junior Sub-Committee.

3. Purpose

- a. Promote and foster the values of Rugby Union Football which are - Teamwork, Respect, Enjoyment, Discipline and Sportsmanship.
- b. Represent the interests of the Weston-super-Mare Mini and Junior RFC at Management Committee Meetings.
- c. Abide by the rules of the club.
- d. Abide by RFU Guidance and Regulations.
- e. Support the club in its endeavours to promote an inclusive and family friendly environment.
- f. To manage the Mini and Junior Section in an open and transparent manner.
- g. Will raise and administer it's own funds through it's memberships and events, associated with the club.

4. Affiliation

The Club shall be affiliated to and play the games in accordance with the rules and by-laws of the Rugby Football Union and shall also be affiliated to the Somerset County Rugby Football Union.

5. Colours

Royal Blue Shirts, Navy Blue Shorts and Navy Blue Socks.

6. Membership (see Club Rules)

A. Mini and Junior Player

- a. A Mini and Junior Member is any player registered with Weston-super-Mare Mini and Junior RFC for the current season.

B. Mini and Junior Membership Fee

- a. The Mini and Junior Membership Fee will be set by the Mini and Junior Committee prior to registration day and advertised on the club website. This will entitle the parent/guardian to full membership of the club and its benefits. The fee will be credited to Weston-super-Mare Mini and Junior RFC.
- b. There will be an additional fee payable for each additional child registered with the section. The fee will be credited to Weston-super-Mare Mini and Junior RFC.

7. Voting

The members are entitled to vote at the clubs Annual General Meeting, or any special General Meeting of members shall be limited to Patrons, Vice Presidents, Members, Senior Players, the Club Trustees, Life Members and Honorary Lady Vice Presidents who have paid the relevant full membership fee. Each member shall be allowed one vote. Members cannot appoint a proxy.

8. Management of the Executive Sub-Committee

The Executive Sub-Committee will comprise of

- Junior Section Chair
- Mini Section Chair
- Mini-Junior Secretary,
- Mini-Junior Treasurer
- Mini-Junior Club Welfare Officer
- Mini-Junior Coach Co-ordinator
- Mini-Junior Fixture Secretary
- plus any other co-opted member.

Full membership is a requirement to be eligible for election to the committee.

The day to day management of the section is vested in the Committee. All elected members of the Committee shall retire annually and be eligible for re-election.

Nominations for Sub-Committee Positions (except the Mini & Junior Chair) must be received by the Sub-Committee Chair not later than 1 April in each year. Each nomination must state the position for which they are nominated. In the event of there being more than one nomination, election by ballot shall take place; the voting members being those set out in accordance with club rules (Rule 7 (i)).

All mini and junior activities under the banner of Weston-super-Mare Rugby Football Club must comply with RFU Regulation and Guidance.

A quorum of the committee will consist of 51% or more sitting, proxy votes will not be allowed. In the event of a tie the chair will have the casting vote.

If the chair permits it, decisions can be made by the committee with a vote by email as long as the decision is and brought before the next meeting for ratification in the minutes.

C. Financial

The commencement of the Club financial year shall be 1st May. Accounts for any one year shall be made up to 30 April in each year. Mini & Junior Section accounts shall be made available to any full member to inspect on request.

Both Mini & Junior Chairmen and the Treasurer will be the only Sub-Committee members with authorised access to any Weston-super-Mare Mini and Junior RFC bank accounts.

D. AGM

The section will provide an annual report to the club for its AGM which will be held before the 31st of May each year. Fourteen days notice will be given of the AGM. It will be posted on the club website. Only Full Members can attend. A list will be provided on entry to the AGM.

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