



Crowborough RFC

Code of Conduct for Mini & Youth Players

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1.0: Code of Conduct for Mini & Youth Players:

All Mini and Youth Players should:

- 1.1 Recognise and appreciate the efforts made by Coaches, Parents/Carers, Match Officials and Administrators in providing the opportunity to play the game and enjoy the rugby environment.
- 1.2 Understand the value of loyalty and commitment to the Club, their Coaches and their team mates.
- 1.3 Recognise that every player has a right to expect their involvement in rugby to be safe and free from all types of abuse
- 1.4 Understand that if an individual or group of young players feels that they are not being treated in an acceptable manner, then they must share their concerns with their parents, an adult, their Head Coach or the CRFC Safeguarding Officer whose contact details can be found on the Club website (www.crowboroughrugby.com) under (**CONTACT**), on the clubhouse notice board and in the CRFC Fixture Booklet.
- 1.5 Play rugby because they want to, not to please other people (e.g. Coaches or parents).
- 1.6 Always remember that fun, enjoyment and skill development are the most important parts of the game.
- 1.7 Be attentive at all training and coaching sessions.
- 1.8 Work equally hard for themselves and their team – both will then benefit.
- 1.9 Recognise good play by all players on your team and by your opponents.
- 1.10 Be good sportsmen - win with dignity, lose with good grace.
- 1.11 Comply with the IRB Laws of the Game and accept, without question, all referees' decisions even if they appear to make a mistake.
- 1.12 Control their emotions. Verbal or physical abuse of Coaches, team mates, opponents, Match Officials or spectators will not, under any circumstance, be tolerated.
- 1.13 Treat all players as they would like to be treated. They must not interfere with, bully or take advantage of other players regardless of gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
- 1.14 Keep the Head Coach informed of their availability to play in matches and tournaments.
- 1.15 Keep to the agreed times for training sessions and competitions.
- 1.16 Inform their Coach or Team Manager if they are going to be late for, or unable to be present at, a training session or competition.
- 1.17 Wear suitable kit for training sessions and matches.
- 1.18 Pay subscriptions and match fees promptly.
- 1.19 Not drink alcohol on Club premises or whilst representing the club if they are under the age of 18.
- 1.20 Not smoke or use electronic cigarettes on Club premises or whilst representing the club if they are under the age of 18.
- 1.21 Not take illicit substances on Club premises or whilst representing the club.