



## Players' Code of Conduct

### Mini and Junior Section

Rugby is a sport for everyone. As a player and member of Knutsford Rugby Club's Mini & Junior Section you have a responsibility to act as a 'sportsman' before, during and after each game or training session. Competitiveness and a determination to perform well are important, but not as important as enjoying the game.

Please observe your responsibilities to the Club, to your parents and your team-mates as outlined in this simple Code of Conduct.

- Be attentive during training sessions and matches and listen to your coach.
- Acknowledge and respect the coaches'/referee's decision even if you disagree.
- Treat all players - both your team-mates and opponents as you would like to be treated.
- Understand that all team-mates bring something to the game. Be polite and encourage everyone at all times.
- Never criticise a team-mate - they are trying to win just as hard as you.
- Rugby is a team game. Work equally hard for yourself and for your team-mates.
- Show respect to all players, coaches, officials and parents.
- Participate for the enjoyment of the game - if you do not enjoy yourself then please do not continue for the sake of your parents or your coach.
- Try to ensure you are on time for all matches and training sessions.
- Wear the proper equipment and clothing as advised by your parents and coach.
- Learn to understand and respect the Laws of the Game. Rugby can be a dangerous sport. Be aware that the rules of the game and the instructions from the coaches and the referee are there to help all players stay safe.
- Applaud, shake hands and thank your opponents and referee after each match - win, lose or draw.
- Respect all property and equipment belonging to Knutsford Rugby Club.
- Understand that all coaches, helpers support staff and parents give their time freely to help you enjoy yourself - take time to thank them occasionally!