

Missouri Youth Rugby Coaches Code of Conduct

Missouri Youth Rugby coaches commit themselves to a positive, player-centered approach in their coaching. A MYRugby Coach strives to continuously improve on and off the field just as they ask of their players. A MYRugby coach in good standing pledges:

1. To be a positive role model for Rugby and its players.
 - Coaches will encourage their support staff, fans, players, and parents to also be positive role models for Rugby and other players.
2. To respect the rights, dignity, and worth of every player within the context of their involvement in Rugby.
 - Coaches will refrain from any discriminatory practices on the basis of gender, race, religion, sexual orientation, ethnic background, or special ability/disability.
3. To represent themselves and their clubs appropriately.
 - Coaches are responsible for their actions and will display high standards through language, manner, punctuality, and presentation.
 - Coach's display control, dignity, and respect for all involved with Rugby - including players, opponents, coaches, officials, administrators, the media, parents, and spectators.
4. To comply with USA Rugby membership requirements for themselves as well as their players.
 - Coaches will ensure all players are CIPPed prior to contact practices or games.
 - Coaches will familiarize themselves with and enforce the laws, guidelines, regulations and policies of the World Rugby Board, USA Rugby, and its MYRugby.
5. To provide a safe environment for training and competition.
 - Coaches will ensure that players have been properly trained for contact.
 - Coaches will ensure equipment; rules, training, and the environment are appropriate for the age and ability of the player.
 - Coaches will not place players in competitive or training situations until they are sufficiently prepared or sufficiently recovered from injury.
6. To refrain from any form of harassment of players or colleagues.
 - Coaches will refrain from any form of personal, verbal, physical, or emotional abuse of players, officials, supporters, and other coaches.
 - Coaches will accept responsibility for informing all players, support staff, and fans of their responsibility to refrain from any form of personal, verbal, physical, or emotional abuse of other players, officials, supporters, and other coaches ON and OFF the field.
 - Coaches will refrain from, and prevent, any form of sexual harassment towards players or colleagues.
7. To accept that the failure of any coach to adhere to this Code of Conduct may place the coach in jeopardy of sanctions and disciplinary proceedings, including, but not limited to, disqualification from competition, monetary fines, and/or additional related sanctions from the MYRugby Executive Board, Discipline Committee, or Coaches Committee.

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Signature _____ Date _____