



Valley Fort

Parent Code of Conduct

- 1.** Do not force an unwilling child to participate – young people are involved for their enjoyment, not yours.
- 2.** Encourage your child to understand and play within the rules.
- 3.** Teach your child that taking part and trying their best is more important than winning.
- 4.** Focus your child on practising skills, sportsmanship and being part of a team. Winning isn't everything and not everyone can score the winning try.
- 5.** Support and encourage your child – never criticise them for making mistakes. Console them for losing but encourage them to try harder next time.
- 6.** Turn defeat into victory by helping your child work towards skill improvement and good sportsmanship.
- 7.** Do not publicly question the referee's judgement and never his/her honesty. There is no place for 'touchline rage' in Youth Rugby.
- 8.** Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from Youth Rugby.
- 9.** Young people learn best by example. Applaud good play by your team and by members of the opposing team.
- 10.** Recognise the value and importance of volunteer coaches, referees and administrators. They give of their time and resources to provide recreational activities for your child.