## **PARENTS**

- Remember, Age-Grade Players play rugby for their enjoyment, not only yours.
- Encourage your child always to play by the Laws of the Game.
- Teach Age-Grade Players that honest endeavour is as important as winning, so that the result of each game is accepted without disappointment.
- Help Age-Grade Players to work towards skill improvement and good sportsmanship.
- Set a good example by applauding good play on both sides.
- Never ridicule, humiliate or shout at Age-Grade Players for making a mistake or losing a match.
- Do not place emphasis on winning at all costs.
- Do not force an unwilling child to participate in the playing of rugby. If the child is to play, he/she will do so in good time through your encouragement.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal & physical abuse from rugby.
- As a spectator do not use profane language or harass referees, coaches or Age-Grade Players.
- Do not publicly question the referee's judgement and never their honesty.
- Recognise the value and importance of volunteer referees and coaches.
- Identify and acknowledge the good qualities of the Game of Rugby and uphold these values.
- Remember you and your child's contribution to the Game of Rugby is very important to the IRFU and be proud of your contribution.
- Understand the value of team sport and its importance.

## **SPECTATORS**

- Remember that although Age-Grade Players play organised rugby they are not 'miniature internationals'.
- Be on your best behaviour and lead by example. Do not use profane language or harass referees, players or coaches.
- Applaud good play by the visiting team as well as your own.
- Show respect for your team's opponents. Without them there would not be a match.
- Condemn the use of violence in all forms at every opportunity.
- Verbal abuse of Age-Grade Players or Sports Leaders cannot be accepted in any shape of form.
- Age-Grade Players or Sports Leaders are not fair targets for ignorant behaviour.
- Encourage Age-Grade Player to play by the Laws of the Game.
- Spectators can contribute to the enjoyment of the event and all involved.
- Be proud of your club and the Game of Rugby.