RUGBY ONTARIO REPRESENTATIVE PROGRAM

Coaches and Administrators Code of Conduct

The administrator/coach/athlete relationship provides unique opportunities for the development of values and personal growth for provincial representative athletes.

Administrator / Coach Responsibilities

Administrator and Coaches agree as follows:

- Treat everyone fairly and equally regardless of gender, race, sexual orientation, religion or economic status.
- Consistently display high personal standards and project a positive image of rugby.
- Refrain from any public criticism of Ontario athletes, other Ontario coaches or Rugby Ontario.
- Abstain from personal use of tobacco in the presence of athletes and discourage its use.
- Abstain from any alcohol consumption in the presence of athletes or while responsible for athletes while on tour.
- Refrain from use of profane, insulting, harassing or any offensive language or behavior while in a coaching role.
- Ensure that all activities for players are safely organized and are appropriate for the age level, experience level, and level of fitness for each athlete
- Communicate and cooperate fully with registered medical personnel in the diagnosis, treatment and management of injuries incurred by athletes.
- Consider the athlete's future health foremost in decisions regarding an injured player continuing to participate in an activity.
- Treat opponents and game officials with respect and ensure athletes to do the same.
- Communicate with parents about behavioral expectations of them towards opposition and game officials.
- Actively encourage athletes to uphold the rules of rugby and demonstrate sportsmanship.
- At no time become intimately and/or sexually involved with athletes.
- Discourage any use of drugs or banned performance enhancing substances.
- Refrain from any actions that could inappropriately influence athlete decision-making about future participation at post-secondary or club rugby levels.

I understand the above required conduct and expectations, and I agree to conduct myself accordingly.

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Signature	**Printed Name**
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Date	**Team**

Form must be submitted to the Rugby Ontario office attention Andrew Hall prior to the coach or administrator being involved in team activities