

WITNEY RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

Code of Conduct for Coaches and Officials

At Witney RFC Coaches and Officials are expected:

- To arrive on time to ensure they are ready to carry out activities on schedule
- To be supportive of all Club policies
- To meet their commitment to the Club and make suitable arrangements for any absences
- To prepare adequately for the activities they run
- To submit a CRB application promptly when requested
- To be a positive role model – display consistently high standards of behaviour and appearance
- To ensure all Junior players wear collar and Club tie to all home and away games or whilst representing Witney RFC
- To keep winning and losing in perspective – encourage players to behave with dignity in all circumstances
- To provide positive verbal feedback in a constructive and encouraging manner to all players, both during training sessions and matches
- To ensure all players are coached in a safe environment, with adequate first aid readily to hand
- Never to allow a player to train or play whilst injured
- To avoid the overplaying of the best players by using a squad system, which gives everybody a satisfactory amount of playing time
- To attain the appropriate qualifications for the activities
- To ensure good supervision of players, both on and off the field
- To ensure all players under 18 in their charge comply with Club rules on smoking, alcohol, and drugs on Club premises or whilst representing Witney RFC
- Never to exert undue influence over players for personal benefit or reward
- To be aware of and abide by the policies and procedures outlined in the Policy and Procedures for the Welfare of Young People in Rugby Union
- To coach to the rules laid down in the Rugby Continuum
- Never to knowingly play a player outside designated age group

Please note that Witney RFC has a disciplinary procedure, which will be used in the event of non-compliance by any member.