

**Eastern Pennsylvania Rugby Union**  
**Players Code of Conduct**  
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USA Rugby and the Eastern Pennsylvania Rugby Union (EPRU) expect all teams and players to abide by the following code of conduct:

- 1) Players who represent their teams are ambassadors of their club, Local Area Union, Territory and USA Rugby, as well of the game of rugby in general. As such, each player is expected to be on good, responsible behavior at all times, both on and off the field.
- 2) Players should not exhibit obnoxious, impolite or antisocial behavior (dangerous play) of any sort that would adversely affect the image of the game as a serious and disciplined endeavor. This includes verbal abuse of opponents by players or their supporters.
- 3) A player must not before, during or after a match under the jurisdiction of an affiliated Union threaten or address a referee or touch judge in insulting terms, or act in a provocative manner towards a fellow player, referee or touch judge.
- 4) Referees and touch judges must likewise treat players with equal respect.
- 5) All players and supporters must respect the ground rules that are in effect at any particular match, such as prohibitions against having alcohol on school grounds and in public parks.
- 6) AT NO TIME WILL ALCOHOL OR DRUGS BE ALLOWED AT ANY HIGH SCHOOL MATCH EITHER BY PLAYERS OR TEAM SUPPORTERS.

Violations of this Code of Conduct will be immediately addressed by the EPRU Disciplinary Committee. All sanctions by the EPRU Disciplinary Committee will be enforced by the committee and appropriate coaching staff.

***I understand that my participation in EPRU competition is dependent upon my signature on this document and by my actions at all matches and team functions.***

Signed by Player:

Signed by Parent:

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Signature

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Signature

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Printed Name

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