



Junior Registration

Conditions

Code of Conduct

In association with the CCRU Code of Conduct
In association with the ARU Member Protection Policy

1. Terrigal Rugby Club Core Values

Pride Enjoyment Respect

Are the underpinning values of all we do, all we say and all we aspire to achieve

2. Who is bound by the Code of Conduct?

This Code of Conduct applies to;

- Any person sitting on the TRC Committee or Sub Committees
- Coaches, managers, trainers or assistants
- Club referees and any person officiating in a match appointed by TRC
- Any person that holds a TRC Club Membership
- Parents, guardians, spectators and sponsors

The TRC Code of Conduct includes behaviour which occurs within and outside the playing enclosure that may reflect on the image of the Club or game or on the character of the participants and spectators. The Core values of the Club and the Code of Conduct also extends to all persons gathered for a cause to promote support and camaraderie of the Club. This includes all club related tours, rugby trips, social tours and weekends away.

3. Code of Conduct.

All participants in the game are bound:

- (a) to promote the reputation of the Club & game and to take all reasonable steps to prevent the Club & game from being brought into disrepute.
- (b) to uphold the laws of the Club and the game, to play the game with a spirit of fairness, and to avoid repeated intentional breaches of the laws of the Club and the game.
- (c) to show respect and courtesy for match officials (referees and touch judges) at all times. The referee's decisions should be accepted by players without argument. Players, coaches and supporters should not abuse, threaten or intimidate match officials. It is appropriate for the team captain to ask the referee about a decision during a break in play or at the end of a half.
- (d) to show respect and courtesy towards other match and ground officials, spectators, visiting officials, or Club House staff.
- (e) to conduct themselves in a manner, and engage in any activity, whether on or off the field, that promotes public confidence in the honest and orderly conduct of the Club or matches, and the integrity and good character of the members or participants.



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- (f) all players, coaches and officials must, if possible, wear authorised TRC uniform whilst playing.
- (g) all players, coaches and officials must, if possible, wear authorized and current TRC apparel whilst travelling to and from the games. In the event apparel cannot be, predominantly Club colours are to be worn.
- (h) CCRU or CCJRU representative uniform or apparel is not to be worn at Club matches or trials. In addition, no other CCRU or CCJRU affiliated club colours or apparel is to be worn.
- (i) To assist with the request of any Club official in the preparation or packing up of ground equipment, bar or canteen facilities, or to assist at the canteen or any other point of sale of Club equipment or service.

4. Duty to Comply

All participants will sign below indicating their duty to comply with the set by laws. Should a participant fail to comply with the Code of Conduct they will front an official panel of TRC officials, where they may incur the following penalties decided by the panel;

1st breach - Caution, suspension from attending matches and Club functions;

2nd breach - Automatic suspension as above for up to 12 months;

3rd breach - Revocation of Membership and right to attend matches and Club functions

Should a participant be sent home whilst travelling with a touring team, whether they are travelling within or outside of the CCRU zone, they will incur all costs associated with being sent home.

Photography Consent and Release For Minor Children (Under 18)

I hereby grant permission to Terrigal Rugby Club representatives, to take and use photographs and/or digital images of my child for use in:

1. Media releases, media articles (including newspapers, radio, television) printed publications and/or educational materials
2. Electronic publications and communications such as the club's Facebook site and website
3. I agree that my child's name and identity may be revealed in descriptive text or commentary in connection with the image(s).
4. I authorise the use of these images without compensation to me.



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Junior Team Allocation Policy

This policy is based on the NSWRU Respect Rugby principals - Upholding the values, behaviours and mandatory practices of Rugby Union.

Purpose

This policy has been adopted to provide fairness and equality to all Junior Terrigal Rugby teams (U6-U17) where player numbers dictate that more than one side will be registered in an age division and where a single ungraded CCJRU competition exists.

Restrictions Within The Policy

All requests for a specific team allocation will be given due consideration in accordance with the allocation policy, however TRC cannot guarantee that all such requests will be granted.

It should also be remembered that the Club caters for all members of the community. As a committee we believe it can be beneficial to a child's overall development to mix with children from different schools and other backgrounds.

Whilst the committee values input from coaches and parents, in the end the committee will need to make a final decision. Parents and coaches should not make any promises to their children about team allocation prior to the final team lists being published. Problems only tend to occur when children have unmet expectations.

Returning Members

Returning members from the previous season will be given priority in relation to friend preferences. Requests made to remain in the same team as per the previous year will be considered only if:

- teams are judged to be of roughly equal skill, size and experience***. This will generally be based on the previous years results.
- numbers are fairly distributed between teams within an age group.

***Please Note: This is an important requirement for player safety, and the necessity for coaches to fill a range of positions, and the fact there is only one ungraded CCJRU competition.

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New Players/Existing Players Changing Teams

Existing players who wish to change teams from the previous season are asked to submit their request, in writing, at the time of registration. All requests for changes will be considered but in no way guaranteed.

New members will be allocated to teams based on team numbers with a view to maintain an even standard between teams within an age group. New members may also submit friend allocation requests, in writing, at the time of registration. These requests will be considered within the same framework outlined above for returning players.

No team from last season, school or other outside group should consider that any team is their exclusive domain. Players may not be promised a place in any team prior to allocations being conducted by the committee. Whilst groups of friends who may be from a particular school etc. will be kept together if possible, players are strongly encouraged to mix with other players from the wider community in line with our club being a community group.

Procedure

Players subject to this allocation policy will be asked to fill out the Welcome to Rugby form to assist in the process. This form is designed to provide information for coaches and/or the committee to allocate players to meet the objectives of the policy. Filling in the form is entirely optional, however failure to do so will result in the child's team allocation being completed at the committee's discretion.

Team allocations will be communicated by email to parents and coaches by the Club as soon as possible to allow pre-season training and planning to commence.

Team allocations are unable to take into consideration other factors such as the location and times of training sessions as set by coaches.

Parents Placing Conditions Upon Registration

Junior sport is run by a team of volunteers who are there for the purpose of providing a social and sporting activity for children. Coaches and managers are volunteers and have been kind enough to nominate for their position, and in some cases do so where there is no alternative person nominating. A minimum requirement is that all coaches are Smart Rugby accredited to ensure children are coached correctly and safely.

Under **no circumstances** are parents allowed to place any conditions or subjectivity on the appointment of a coach to their child's team. Similarly a child attending school cannot expect to have a teacher based on the request of a parent, the same applies to rugby. As always the committee will listen to requests but can never make up teams based upon who



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the coach or manager will be.

This is not in the spirit of the Terrigal Rugby Club and parents placing conditions on their child's involvement need to know that the only alternative is to not register their child.

Conclusion

All parents are asked to respect this policy and the process within, in order to provide a fair and equitable outcome for all players. Complaints regarding any aspect of the policy or process should be made to the TRC committee and will be considered with utmost respect.

By registering your child with Terrigal Rugby Club you are agreeing to our Code of Conduct, Photography Consent & Junior Team Allocation Policy.