

MEDICAL INSURANCE AGREEMENT AND USA RUGBY RULES

I acknowledge that I have a medical insurance policy in my name that has a minimum of \$100,000 in medical coverage WITH NO RESTRICTIONS FOR ACCIDENTS WHILE PARTICIPATING IN SPORTS. I understand such insurance will be my primary source of payment should medical treatment be necessary as a result of my participation in the activity.

1. I agree to abide by all International Rugby Boar, USA Rugby, territorial and local area union rules and regulations, including to be bound by arbitration procedures therein, that I am aware of and understand, for any dispute regarding my right to participate in the Activity, as set forth in the bylaws of USA Rugby, as they are amended on a periodic basis, which I understand are available on the USA Rugby website (www.usarugby.org)
2. I affirm that I am not suspended or banned from play or participation by any club local area union, territorial union or national union, and I authorize USA Rugby to verify my citizenship status with the appropriate governmental agencies.
3. I am aware that USA Rugby has the right to revoke my CIPP enrollment, and therefore my eligibility to play or coach, in the event of any violation of the aforementioned statement.

WAIVER & RELEASE, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND PARENTAL INDEMNIFICATION

In consideration of me being permitted to participate in any way in USA Rugby, it's member unions, clubs, organizations and individual sponsored Activities ("Activity"), I agree:

1. I understand the nature/danger of USA Rugby activities and believe that I am qualified to participate in such Activity. I further acknowledge that I am aware the activity will be conducted in facilities open to the public during the Activity. I further agree/warrant that if at any time I believe conditions to be unsafe, I will immediately cease further participation in the Activity.
2. I FULLY UNDERSTAND that: (a) USA Rugby Activities involve risks and dangers of SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, INCLUDING PERMANENT DISABILITY, PARALYSIS AND DEATH ("Risks"); (b) these Risks and dangers may be caused by my own actions, or inaction's, the actions or inaction's of others participating in the Activity, the condition in which the Activity takes place. Or THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE "RELEASEES" NAMED ON THE SIGNATURE SHEET; (c) there may be other risks and social and economic losses either not known to me or not readily foreseeable at this time; and I FULLY ACCEPT AND ASSUME ALL RISKS AND ALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR LOSSES, COSTS, AND DAMAGES incurred as a result of my participation in the Activity.
3. I HEREBY RELEASE, DISCHARGE, COVENANT NOT TO SUE, AND AGREE TO INDEMNIFY AND SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS USA RUGBY, their member unions, territorial unions, clubs, respective administrators, directors, agents, officers, volunteers, and employees, other participants, any sponsors, advertisers, and if applicable, owners and lessors of premises on which the Activity takes place (each account caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the "Releasees" or otherwise, including negligent rescue operations and further agree that if, despite this release, I or anyone on my behalf makes a claim against any of the Releasees name above, I will INDEMNIFY, SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS EACH OF THE RELEASEES FROM ANY LITAGATION EXPENSES, ATTORNEY FEES, LOSS LIABILITY, DAMAGE OR COST ANY MAY INCUR AS THE RESULT OF ANY SUCH CLAIM.

I HAVE READ THIS AGREEMENT, FULLY UNDERSTAND IT'S TERMS, UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT AND HAVE SIGNED IT FREELY AND WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT OR ASSURANCE OF ANY NATURE AND INTEND IT TO BE A COMPLETE AND UNCONDITIONAL RELEASE OR ALL LIABILITY TO THE GREATEST EXTENT ALLOWD BY LAW AND AGREE THAT IF ANY PORTION OF THIS AGREEMENT IS HELD TO BE INVALID THAT THE BALANCE, NOTWITHSTANDING, SHALLC ONTINUE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

PARENTAL CONSENT AND INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT

I, the minor's parent and/or legal guardian, understand the nature of the above referenced activities and the minor's experience and capabilities and believe the minor to be qualified to participate in such "Activity". I hereby release, discharge, covenant not to sue and AGREE TO INDEMNIFY AND SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS each of the Releasees from all liability claim, demands, losses or damages on the minor's account caused or alleged to have been caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the Releasees or otherwise, including negligent rescue operations and further agree that if, despite this release, I, the minor or anyone on the minor's behalf makes a claim against any of the above Releasees, I WILL INDEMNIFY, SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS EACH OF THE Releasees from any litigation expenses, attorney fees, loss liability, damage or cost any Releasees may incur as the result of any such claim.

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EXTRA – CURRICULAR CONSENT FORM

The West Chester Area School District High School Code of Conduct has been read and understood by the undersigned, and we acknowledge the receipt of a copy of the same for the school year 2011 – 2012. The WCASD High School Code of Conduct can be obtained by visiting www.wcasd.net/pdfs/Code_of_Conduct_Activities.pdf or a copy can be supplied upon request.

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WCASD RELEASE FOR PHOTOGRAPHS, VIDEOS, OR AUDIO RECORDINGS ON THE WEB

Each school in the West Chester Area School District has established a school website. From time to time the WCHSRFC will take photographs to use on our website and for other team publications (e.g. yearbook). We will be featuring activities which may include photographs of students and samples of their work.

The School District allows extracurricular groups and booster clubs to link to their websites to the school sites. This form specifically addresses whether or not you will allow the photographs or work of your child to appear on these sites that are linked directly to the school site. This form offers a variety of approvals for the use of images, likenesses, and student stories specifically Booster Club Web Sites. An approval given on this form does not replace, nor does it supersede any approvals on record with the school district which continue to apply only to district-controlled websites.

Photos and rosters of school groups or teams may include full names.

You may choose to grant permission for your player’s appearance in photographs only, student work only, both or neither.

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EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA RUGBY UNION – CODE OF CONDUCTs 2011 – 2012

The Good Supporters

Parents, friends and fans supporting the game should be encouraged to:

1. Recognize and appreciate the efforts made my coaches, match officials, and administrators in providing the opportunity to play the game and enjoy the rugby environment.
2. Understand the values of loyalty and commitment to adults and teammates.
3. Recognize that every player has a right to expect their involvement in rugby to be safe and free from all types of abuse.
4. Remember that skill development, fun and enjoyment are the most important parts of the game.
5. Recognize good play by all players on their team and by their opponents.
6. Be a sportsman – win with dignity, lose with grace.
7. Control their emotions. Verbal or physical abuse or players, opponents, coaches, match officials or spectators is not acceptable.
8. Treat officials with respect.
9. Supporters are encouraged to support their teams. Shouting our opinions on decisions does not help the players and may distract them and cause them to lose advantages being offered by the referee.
10. Under no circumstances is it acceptable to boo or jeer the opposition or the match official.
11. There will be no spectators allowed on the sidelines with the players at any time.

The Good Player’s Code

Players should be encouraged to:

1. Recognize and appreciate the efforts made my coaches, match officials, and administrators in providing the opportunity to play the game and enjoy the rugby environment.
2. Understand the values of loyalty and commitment to adults and teammates.
3. Recognize that every player has a right to expect their involvement in rugby to be safe and free from all types of abuse.
4. Recognize that they are part of the safety equation and have a role in decreasing the chance of being hurt while participating in rugby.
5. Understand that if an individual or groups of players feel they are not being treated in a manner that is acceptable, then they should tell an adult either at the Club or School or outside of the game.
6. Play because they want to do so, not to please coaches or parents.
7. Remember that skill development, fun and enjoyment are the most important parts of the game.
8. Be attentive at all practice and coaching sessions.
9. Work equally hard for themselves and their team – both will then benefit.
10. Recognize good play by all players on their team and by their opponents.
11. Be a sportsman – win with dignity, lose with grace.
12. Play in a fair and sporting manner in accordance with the IRB Laws of the game and accept, without question, all referees’ decisions even if they appear to be incorrect. Once the match is over, have a friendly and constructive decision with the referee regarding decisions made.
13. Control their emotions. Verbal or Physical abuse of teammates, opponents, coaches, match officials or spectators is not acceptable.
14. Treat officials with respect.
15. Treat all players as they would like to be treated themselves. Do not interfere with, bully or take advantage of any players.
16. There will be no spectators allowed on the sidelines with the players at any time.

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.

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West Chester High School Rugby Football Club

Parent Agreement

I. RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS

Whereas the releasers are the parents or guardians of the child named above and it is the wish of the said parents or guardians that he or she play youth Rugby under the auspices and control of the Eastern Pennsylvania Rugby Union and the West Chester HS RFC (the Club), its representatives, officers, successors and assigns; therefore, the parents intending to be legally bound do hereby covenant as follows:

- a. We do hereby release and forever discharge the Eastern Pennsylvania Rugby Union and the West Chester HS RFC, its representatives, officers, successors and assigns from any and all liability.
- b. We do hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Easter Rugby Union and the West Chester HS RFC, its representatives, officers, succesors and assigns from any claims enumerated in paragraph (a) above.
- c. We agree to carry adequate medical insurance for our child.
- d. We further state that we have carefully read the foregoing release and know the contents thereof and that we sign the same as our own free act and deed.
- e. We understand that the West Chester HS RFC is in no way sponsored by the West Chester Area School District.

II. CLUB PARTICIPATION

The West Chester HS RFC and its Boosters expect all parents to abide by codes of conduct and participation in the following events:

- a. We agree to respect ground rules that are in effect at any particular match such as prohibitions against having all drugs or alcohol on school grounds or in public parks.
- b. We agree not to exhibit obnoxious, impolite, or any behavior that would adversely affect the image of the game. We understand that any repeated unacceptable behavior that would adversely affect the image of the game. We understand that any repeated unacceptable behavior by a parent could result in our child being dismissed from the team without any recourse or refund of fees.

The following offenses will result in immediate suspension of a player and/or parent pending a final board decision:

1. Fighting or any physical abuse of the coach, manager, club official, other parent or game official.
 2. Repeated verbal abuse of any of the above.
 3. Providing any member of any team with alcohol or any controlled substance.
 4. Failure to meet financial obligations in a full and a timely manner. A service charge will also be assesses for any returned checks.
 5. Repeated berating of player(s) or coach(es) to the detriment of the team.
 6. Under NO CIRCUMSTANCES are parents allowed to interact with coaches and referees during the course of the game.
 7. Under NO CIRCUMSTANCES is it acceptable to boo or jeer the opposition or the match official. All payers and match officials are to be treated with respect.
- c. We agree to participate in booster club committees and volunteer to help with fundraising activities, car washes, sales of concessions at home games, after game social events, car pooling to games, etc.

III. MAINTENANCE OF ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY

The policy of the West Chester HS RFC is that academic standing comes first and that all players must follow the academic eligibility requirements of the West Chester Area School District. Players who fail to meet those requirements shall be suspended from attending practice or playing in any matches until they are in compliance. However, as an outside organization not affiliated with West Chester Area School District, the Club does not have access to confidential academic information that is necessary to enforce its policy. Therefore, the parents do hereby agree to inform the Club's coaches if their child needs to be suspended from practice or matches because of a failure to meet the academic eligibility requirements.

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Informed Consent for Athletics
West Chester Area School District

SERIOUS, CATASTROPHIC, AND PERHAPS FATAL INJURY MAYH RESULT FROM ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION.

By its very nature, competitive athletics may put students in situations in which serious, catastrophic, and fatal accidents and illnesses may occur. Many forms of athletic competition result in violent contact among players. The use of athletic equipment may result in accidents, injury or death. Strenuous physical exertion and numerous other exposures that increase the risk of injury occur while participating in interscholastic athletics. Students and their parents must assess the risks involved in such sports participation and make their choice to participate despite those risks. No amount of instruction, precaution, or supervision will totally eliminate the risk of injury or illness associated with participation in athletic activities. Just as driving an automobile involves assumption of risk, athletic participation by middle or senior high school students also may be inherently dangerous. The obligation of parents and students in making this choice to participate cannot be overstated. There have been accidents resulting in death, paraplegia, quadriplegia, and other very serious permanent physical impairments as a result of athletic competition.

By granting permission for your son/daughter to participate in athletic competition, you, the parent or guardian, are acknowledging that you fully understand and comprehend that such risks exist.

Students will be properly instructed in the proper techniques to be used in athletic competition and in the proper utilization of all equipment worn or used in practices and competitions. Students must always adhere to that instruction and utilization and must refrain from improper use or techniques.

As previously, stated, NO amount of instruction, precaution and supervision will totally eliminate all risk of serious, catastrophic or fatal injury or illness.

If any of the foregoing is not completely understood, please contact the school's Principal, Athletic Director or Certified Athletic Trainer for further information and clarification.

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