WINCHESTER RFC

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR

SPECTATORS



OUR GOOD SPECTATOR’S CODE

OUR SPECTATORS ARE ENCOURAGED TO:

* Act as positive role models to all young players.
* Be familiar with, and abide by, the RFU Child Protection Guidance in relation to verbal and emotional abuse.
* Respect the rugby club with regard to spectator behaviour.

OUR SPECTATORS SHOULD:

* Remember children play sport for their enjoyment not yours.
* Acknowledge good individual and team performance from all youngsters irrespective of the team for whom they play.
* Respect match officials’ decisions. Remember ‐ they are volunteers providing an opportunity for youngsters to play rugby.
* Never verbally abuse young players, match officials, fellow spectators or coaches. Such behaviour can create a negative environment for young players and their behaviour will often reflect this.
* Acknowledge effort and good performance rather than ‘win at all costs ‘ethic.
* Verbally encourage all youngsters in a positive way. If you do want to shout make sure it is ‘for’, not ‘at’ the players.
* Encourage all youngsters irrespective of their ability ‐ never ridicule any individual player, regardless of the team for whom they play.