

National Collegiate Rugby Policy for Under 18s Playing College Rugby



Within this policy the following phrases have the following meaning:

College Rugby: Rugby played by players who are in college for a team registered with National Collegiate Rugby as a Collegiate Team.

Under 18: Being under 18 years of age as of August 1 of the year that the competition begins.

Introduction:

This Policy pertains to players who are **Under 18** who wish to play in, or be involved in training for, all College Rugby matches.

Records:

The College Club for whom the player wishes to play must:

- keep a full and permanent record of the process undertaken and the consents, confirmations and agreements sought and obtained in relation to each Under 18 player who plays in any in College Rugby match; and
- if so reasonably required by the player's College Conference or by National Collegiate Rugby, provide certification or evidence of the process that has been undertaken and the consents, agreements and confirmations obtained in accordance with the paragraphs above.

Front Row Players:

Because of the particular nature of the front row from other positions different criteria apply before an Under 18 player may play in the front row in College Rugby. This specific requirement does not apply to players that may play in the front row in rugby sevens. An Under 18 player should not play in any College Rugby match in the front row unless the following are obtained:

- written agreement from the player in writing to play College Rugby in the front row and acceptance of any associated risk of playing with Adults who may be stronger and more physically developed than the player; and - if the player is **Under 18**, written parental or guardian's consent; and
- written confirmation from a coach with an appropriate understanding of the physical attributes required of and the risks to players in the front row in College Rugby and to whom the player is known that the player has the requisite skills and experience to play College Rugby in the front row; and
- such other consents or confirmations (if any) as may be required by the player's College Conference or Local Governing Union to comply with the local jurisdiction.

Positions other than front row (but including all positions in rugby sevens):

An Under 18 player should not play in any College Rugby match unless the following are obtained:

- written agreement from the Under 18 player to play College Rugby and acceptance of any associated risk with playing with Adults who may be stronger and more physically developed than the player; and
- written parental or legal guardian's consent; and
- written confirmation from a coach with an appropriate understanding of the physical attributes required of and the risks to players in College Rugby and to whom the player is known that the player has the requisite skills and experience to play College; and
- such other consents or confirmations (if any) as may be required by the player's College Conference or Local Governing Union to comply with the local jurisdiction.

COMPLETED FORMS NEED TO BE SUBMITTED TO LUCY@NCR.RUGBY

WRITTEN AGREEMENT FOR U18 PARTICIPANT TO PLAY COLLEGE RUGBY

No player, who according to the National Collegiate Rugby Eligibility Regulations is required to complete this written agreement; shall train, practice, play, nor be eligible to play, college or adult/club rugby without having first completed all applicable portions of the written agreement below. Completed written agreements shall be kept in the records of the player's club and available for review upon request of any match opponent or administrator.

As per National Collegiate Rugby Eligibility Regulations, the Undersigned consent to allow the player listed below to play "College Rugby", including front row positions; and also agree to accept all responsibility and risks associated with playing "College Rugby", including front row positions; and accept any and all associated risks of playing with adults, who may be stronger and more physically developed than the player. The Undersigned confirm that the player has an appropriate understanding of the physical attributes required of, and the risks to players, playing "College Rugby", including front row positions, and that the player has the requisite skills and experience to play "College Rugby", including front row positions.

We, the undersigned player, parent or guardian, and coach, by signing this written agreement, agree that this document constitutes the required written agreements and consents required by the **National Collegiate Rugby Policy for Under 18s Playing College Rugby**, thereby allowing the following player to play **College Rugby**.

Print Player Name	Membership#	Player Signature	Date
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Print Coach Name	Membership#	Coach Signature	Date
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Print Parent/Legal Guardian Name	Signature	Date
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