

## **The Manchester Rugby Club Officiating Promise**

At Manchester we want Rugby games to be fun for all and this includes the Referee and Officials.

At Manchester we will not accept any continual questioning, shouting or abuse aimed at officials, from players, coaches or supporters. Coaches, or the playing captain, should be allowed to seek clarity for a decision at a suitable break in play but must at all times respect the decision of the official and continue with the game.

Should an Official feel they are receiving any of the above, then they have the power to stop any game, ask the person to cease their behaviour, or remove themselves from the playing area and wait in the clubhouse until the game is over. The game will not restart until the offending person has made and adhered to their decision.

Manchester coaches are mandated and have the authority to help enforce this from their Rugby Committee. We want to encourage only positive comments come from the side lines for all officials, as without officials no game would go ahead.

All visiting coaches will be made aware of this prior to coming to play at Manchester and will be asked to communicate this to their players and supporters.

The Rugby Committee

The Mini & Junior Committee

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