

## COMMUNITY GAME TRAVELLING OVERSEAS CODE OF CONDUCT

All players and club officials should be aware that when travelling abroad, they are ambassadors for the club and the Rugby League. All individuals and facilities should be treated with RESPECT.

When travelling abroad to Matches, all Players and Team Officials agree to represent themselves and those listed above, to the best of their ability, on and off the field, by complying with the following:

- Players and Team Officials shall show respect and be courteous to hotel staff, coach drivers, and airport/airline staff at all times.
- Players and Team Officials shall respect all facilities used throughout their stay. Hotel rooms must be treated with respect and left tidy when they are vacated. Regarding shared facilities, it is a collective responsibility for the cleanliness and state of any team rooms.
- Players are to bear in mind that there are other paying guests in the hotels and these guests are entitled to expect a peaceful and quiet stay in their hotel, and not be subject to excessive noise or upset by rowdy behaviour of any kind, either inside or outside the hotel. All Players and Club Officials should be willing to remind fellow travellers of this if necessary.
- Alcohol consumption is not recommended and prohibited by some travelling teams, however, if permitted, and for those above the legal drinking age (in the country visited) must be taken in strict moderation. Drinking to excess is prohibited and all Players must be made aware in advance of the Club's disciplinary procedures to which they will be subject should they disregard this instruction.
- Use of any drugs, other than those prescribed before, or on the overseas trip, is strictly prohibited. All players and staff are reminded of the RFL Anti-Doping Rules. No drugs shall be brought on the trip, without the prior approval of the Club Doctor, including those prescribed by a doctor and able to be purchased over the counter at a chemist.
- Members of the travelling group must be dressed appropriately at all times and wear training/team clothing wherever possible in public areas so that they can be identified as part of the travelling group.
- All Persons Subject to the Operational Rules are bound by this Code of Conduct and ultimately unacceptable behaviour whilst playing abroad may result in any such party being charged with Off Field Misconduct.
- It is recommended that each travelling club/team have an individual code of conduct for travel, setting out any further requirements, and providing further clarification on club rules i.e. no alcohol.
- Players not selected for the starting lineup should remain positive, support their teammates, and prepare as if they were starting.

This Code of Conduct is designed to ensure that all players and staff contribute positively to the team's environment, uphold the values of the RFL, and represent their club, country, and themselves with dignity and respect.