



## 2018 High School Girls Rugby National Invitational Championship Event Information Packet

### Welcome!

We are pleased to welcome you to the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual High School Girls Rugby National Invitational Championships taking place the weekend of May 18<sup>th</sup>- 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at the *Middle Tennessee State University Sports Complex* in Murfreesboro, Tennessee.

We are excited about the growth of the girls' game at the High School level and are pleased to have the support of the Middle Tennessee State University, the MTSU Rugby Alumni Association, and MTSU Rugby in hosting what will be a spectacular weekend of competition that includes both the Girls High School Single Schools and the Girls High School Club National Invitational Tournaments. Our goal is to assist in providing a safe, enjoyable, and professional-grade weekend of competition for all athletes, coaches, match officials, and supporters. **Please review and distribute the following information so all participants and fans are informed of important policies, procedures, and amenities that are critical to the success of this event.**

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### Venue Information

#### Field location:

2111 East Main Street  
Murfreesboro, TN 37128

**Host Club:** MTSU Rugby

**Tournament Director:** Jody Hensley

**Contact #:** 615-289-9742

## Facility Rules

- **NO ANIMALS** - dogs, cats, etc. at any time.
- **NO ALCOHOL OR DRUGS**
- **NO VULGAR LANGUAGE**
- **No Grills or Fires**
- **CHILDREN UNDER 12 MUST BE SUPERVISED**
- **Middle Tennessee State University, the MTSU Rugby Alumni Association, and MTSU Rugby and its Sponsors will not be held liable for Damage, Property Loss, Injury or Death.**

## Accommodations:

We are pleased to offer a wide selection of local hotels this year for accommodations. Hotels are listed below.

Each team should call the hotel of their choice from the list below to make their reservation-ask for the "2018 National High School Girls Rugby Championships" block. The reservations must be made by Friday, April 16 2018-after that time the blocks will be dropped. However, in order to get a specific hotel, it would be a good idea to make reservations as soon as possible, as the blocked rooms will be reserved on a first come, first serve basis. If you are having problems finding available rooms, please call Donna Klemppow at the Convention and Visitors Bureau at 615-278-2014.

**(Block Dates: Friday, May 18- Sunday, May 20, 2018)**

### Clarion Inn & Suites I-24, Exit 78

Telephone: 615-896-2420

2227 Old Fort Parkway, Murfreesboro, TN 37129  
Full Service Hotel, Complimentary Full-American Breakfast Buffet, Restaurant & Lounge, Fitness Center, Indoor/Outdoor Heated Pool, Meeting/Banquet Facility, Interior and Exterior Corridors, Microwave, Refrigerator, Atrium with Games, Whirlpool, Hairdryers, Electronic Locks, Voice Mail, Iron/Ironing Boards, Dataports, Coffee Makers, 32 inch Flat Screen TV, Cable TV, Free Wi-Fi, Small Pet Policy, Credit Cards & Travelers Checks Accepted.

**Rooms:** 9 rooms with one king bed - 70 rooms with two beds

**Rate:** \$120.00 plus tax

### Comfort Suites I-24, Exit 78

Telephone: 615-869-0950

226 N Thompson Lane, Murfreesboro, TN 37129  
Free Hot Breakfast, Outdoor Pool, Meeting Room, Interior Corridors, Heated Whirlpool, Fitness Center, Hairdryers, Electronic Locks, Voice Mail, Iron/ Ironing Boards, Dataports, Coffee Makers, Refrigerators, Microwave, All Suites, 32" Flat Screen TV, Credit Cards & Travelers Checks Accepted.

**Rooms:** 5 rooms with one king bed - 15 rooms with two queen beds

**Rate:** \$120.00 plus tax

### Courtyard by Marriott

**Rooms:** 15 rooms with 2 beds - 2 night stay required

**Rate:** \$132.00 plus tax

### Days Inn & Suites I-24, Exit 78

Telephone: 615-893-8170

182 Chaffin Place, Murfreesboro, TN 37129  
All Suites, free high speed internet, Deluxe Complimentary Continental Breakfast, Interior Corridors, Heated Indoor Pool with Sauna & Spa, Coffee Makers, Irons / Ironing Boards, Hair Dryers, Satellite TV with 25 Channels, free local calls, free USA Today, Credit Cards & Travelers Checks Accepted.

**Rooms:** 5 king room and 26 rooms with 2 double beds

**Rate:** \$110.00 plus tax

### Fairfield Inn I-24, Exit 78

Telephone: 615-849-1150

175 Chaffin Place, Murfreesboro, TN 37129  
Complimentary Deluxe Continental Breakfast, Indoor Pool, Hair Dryers, Coffee Makers & Mini-Refrigerators Irons/Full Size Ironing Boards, 32" Flat Screen TV and CD Player, Voice Mail, Data Ports, Meeting Room, Interior Corridors, Credit Cards & Travelers Checks Accepted.

**Rooms:** 9 rooms with a king bed and a sofa sleeper - 16 rooms with two queen beds

**Rate:** \$139.00 plus tax

**Hilton Garden Inn, I 24 Exit 76**

Telephone: 615-225-2345

Conference Center Blvd., Murfreesboro, TN 37129

*Full Service Hotel, Restaurant & Lounge, 5 Hole Putting Green, Outdoor Pool, Meeting / Banquet facility, Interior Corridors, Whirlpool, Hairdryers, Electronic Locks, Laundry Facility, Voice Mail, Iron / Ironing Boards, Dataports, Business Center, Free High Speed Internet, Coffee Makers, Refrigerators, Microwaves, Suites, Cable TV, Credit Cards & Travelers Checks Accepted.*

**Rooms:** 2 rooms with king bed - 26 rooms with 2 queen beds

**Rate:** \$149.00 plus tax

**Holiday Inn Express I-24, Exit 78**

Telephone: 615-849-9000

165 Chaffin Place, Murfreesboro, TN 37129

*Free Hot Breakfast; Outdoor Pool; 32" Flat Screen TV in Every Room; Extra Large Rooms; Coffee Makers; Mini-Refrigerators; Interior Corridors; Fitness Center & Spa; Cordless Phones; Cable TV; Credit Cards & Travelers Checks Accepted; Free High Speed Internet; Express Automated Check Out*

**Rooms:** 11 rooms with a king bed and a sofa sleeper - 14 rooms with two queen beds

**Rate:** \$139.00 plus tax

**Holiday Inn, I 24 Exit 76**

Telephone: 615-751-5300

1453 Silohill Lane, Murfreesboro, TN 37129

*Full Service Hotel, Blue Note Restaurant & Lounge, Outdoor Heated Pool, Meeting /Banquet facility, Fitness Center, Business Center, Interior Corridors, Whirlpool, Outdoor Smore Pit, Hairdryers, Electronic Locks, Voice Mail, Iron/Ironing Boards, Dataports, Coffee Makers, Refrigerators, 40" Flat Screen TV in all rooms, Credit Cards & Travelers Checks Accepted.*

**Rooms:** 5 rooms with king beds and 45 rooms with two double beds

**Rate:** \$139.00 plus tax

**Residence Inn by Marriott, I-24 Exit 76**

Telephone: 615-225-9250

1409 Conference Center Boulevard, Murfreesboro, TN

*New Hotel, All-Suites with full kitchen, Interior Corridors, Fitness Center, Hairdryers, Electronic Locks, Voice Mail, Iron/ Ironing Boards, Dataports, Coffee Makers, Dishwasher, Laundry Facility, Barbecue Grills, Business Center, On-site Convenience Martet, 32" Flat Screen TV with Cable, Free High Speed Internet, Free Movie Library, Extended Stay Property, Complimentary Newspaper, Pet Policy, Credit Cards & Travelers Checks Accepted.*

**Rooms:** 15 rooms with king bed and a sofa sleeper  
2 night stay required

**Rate:** \$139.00 plus tax

**Sleep Inn I-24, Exit 78**

Telephone: 615-396-3000

193 Chaffin Place, Murfreesboro, TN 37129

*Free Hot Breakfast, Interior Corridors, Outdoor Pool, Fitness Center, 2 Line Phones, Free Continental Breakfast, HBO, Cable TV, Free Local Calls, Coffee Makers, In-room Safe, Free Inbound Fax Service and Laundry Facility. Credit Cards & Travelers Checks Accepted*

**Rooms:** 15 rooms with 2 beds.

**Rate:** \$89.99 plus tax

## **National Girls High School Club Rugby Championship Committee**

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### **Coaches/Captains/Referee Meeting**

This meeting will be held at the MTSU Rec Center, 1848 Blue Raider Drive, Murfreesboro, TN on Thursday evening at 7pm.

### **Welcoming Ceremony**

The Ceremony will be at 7:30pm at the MTSU Rec Center.

### **Team Check-in Info**

**Official Team Check in:** Check-in will be done Thursday evening for Club teams starting at 8pm and will be done at the MTSU Rec Center.

### **Forms, Rosters, etc.**

1. Media Release – we are waiting to hear from the streaming company on this. If one is needed it will be sent to you ahead of time.
2. USA Rugby Participation Waiver - All players must present a signed and dated Waiver. This form must be signed and dated by the player, as well as by the player's parent or legal guardian if the player is less than 18 years old. A copy of this form for each player must be turned in at team check-in. You will not get these back so make sure you are giving us copies so you retain a copy for yourself for the remainder of the season.  
[Participation Waiver - Minor](#)  
[Participation Waiver – Adult \(18 & over\)](#)
3. Players who are in high school but who are not yet 15 must have a signed [U15 Waiver](#)
4. Team CIPP Roster - Teams must print and bring a copy of their CIPP Roster from USA Rugby. All players playing in the event must be CIPP'd with your team on or before April 18, 2018. Please indicate on the roster any players NOT attending or playing in the event.
5. School ID's – preferably with a photo. If no school ID, need verification of enrollment from High School Registrar or bring a copy of your school transcript.
6. [Code of Conduct](#) - Each player must present this form signed - by the player and a parent/guardian. Coaches must also present a signed Code of Conduct form.
7. Roster size per game is limited to 23 players. Overall squad size you bring to the event is not limited. We will have game roster forms to give you at check-in
8. We strongly urge coaches or managers to have a copy of each player's medical insurance card and medical history with them. This will be helpful in the event of an injury requiring a trip to the hospital and no parent is there.

If there are any issues with obtaining any of the forms listed above, please contact Pam Laura ([plaura@verizon.net](mailto:plaura@verizon.net)) or at 973-801-6662 prior to Wednesday, May 17, 2018.

**Rugby gear:** Rugby Imports will be on-site.

**Event gear:** will be available on-site.

**Trainers-Doctor-Hospital:** to follow

### **MTSU Venue Information**

**Concessions:** There will be food at the field as well as across the street and within 1 mile of the fields. 4 vendors are coming on-site and there are about 5 more options across the street from the fields. There are another 50 options within 1 mile of the field.

**Ice and Water:** To follow

**Team Camp Sites:** To follow

**General Trash & Clean up:** Please keep the grounds clean by using the trash bins. As stated above, your site is your responsibility to keep clean. Your union may lose a seed next season if your site is not clean each day when you leave the grounds.

**Venue:** The MTSU rugby fields are located at 2111 East Main Street Murfreesboro, TN 37128

**Parking:** to follow

### **Driving Directions to MTSU:**

#### **For Your GPS**

**Address:** 2111 East Main Street Murfreesboro, TN 37128

#### **Match & Event-Discipline:**

Match officials and respective disciplinary committees have the final say on all on-field issues. Local police will be on site as well as special security so please obey their requests. Teams are expected to control all fans, players, and coaches at all times, and act in a manner reflecting the ethos of the game. Individuals not complying with these policies may be asked to leave the facility and grounds.

#### **Ropes & Restraints:**

The Technical Zone will be enforced. Players/coaches are to remain behind the ropes along the sidelines, except for those granted technical zone access. No players are to be in front of the ropes at any time. Two coaches from each team will be allowed in front on each sideline (4 total coaches from each team). We ask for your assistance in encouraging good sportsmanship, use of language, and conduct. Coaches are expected to control players, fans and fellow coaches at all times. You must demand good sportsmanship, use of language, and behavior standards. **Teams should occupy opposite sides of the fields during all matches.**

Spectators may not enter the playing enclosure - please respect the athletes.

# **EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN**

**To follow**

**- ADULT (PARTICIPANTS OVER 18) –**

**USA RUGBY PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT AND WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY**

**PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING. THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND WAIVER OF CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS AND ASSUMPTION OF THE RISKS AGREEMENT.**

This Participation Agreement and Waiver and Release of Liability is entered into between the undersigned "Participant" and USA Rugby, it's member unions, clubs, organizations, affiliates, partners, sponsors, vendors, directors, officers, employees, volunteers, members, agents, contractors, contracted entities and facilities and the owners and lessors thereof, hereinafter referred to as "USA Rugby" or collectively as "Releasees").

In consideration for the privilege of participation of the Participant in USA Rugby activities, Participant, Parent or Guardian acknowledge and agree as follows:

1. Participation in the activities of USA Rugby, including but not limited to warm-up, training, practice, games, clinics, travel, and social events (referred to herein as the "Activities"), includes participation in a full-contact sport, requires good health and fitness and can be HAZARDOUS AND PRESENT A DANGER TO PARTICIPANT. Participant believes he/she is qualified to participate in Activities, and if at any time the Participant believes conditions to be unsafe, he/she will immediately discontinue further participation in the Activities \_\_\_\_\_ INITIAL HERE

2. Participation in Activities exposes Participant to RISKS OF SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, INCLUDING PERMANENT DISABILITY, PARALYSIS AND DEATH. Risks may arise out of contact and/or participation with other participants, spectators, equipment, field, facility and/or fixed objects; falls, collisions, rough play, and other mishaps; exposure to adverse weather conditions and/or high altitude; flaws and defects in equipment and facilities; irregular field conditions; and negligent field maintenance, negligent officiating, negligent coaching and negligent participation. Risks may be caused by the Participant's own actions, or inaction, the actions or inaction of others participants, the condition of the facilities in which the Activities take place, and/or THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE "RELEASEES." Some Risks cannot be predicted or controlled. There may be other risks and social and economic losses either not known to me or not readily foreseeable at this time. \_\_\_\_\_ INITIAL HERE

3. Assumption of the Risks. I CONSENT TO PARTICIPATION IN THE ACTIVITIES AND FULLY ACCEPT AND ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS AND ALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR LOSSES, COSTS, AND DAMAGES incurred as a result of such participation. \_\_\_\_\_ INITIAL HERE

4. Waiver and Release of Liability. In consideration for the privilege of the Participant's participation in the Activities, the undersigned hereby RELEASES, DISCHARGES, COVENANTS NOT TO SUE, AND AGREES TO INDEMNIFY AND SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS RELEASEES from any and all liability, demands, losses, medical expenses, lost opportunities, damages or attorneys fees and costs stemming from any or all claims for negligence, expressed or implied warranty, contribution, and indemnity, and/or claims of negligent rescue operations, first aid, and emergency care, to the broadest extent permitted by applicable law suffered by the Participant incurred on his/her account with respect to the Participant's personal injury and other injury or harm, disability, and/or death, or property damage, arising directly or indirectly from the Participant's participation in Activities, as caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the Releasees or any of them, and further agrees that if, despite this release, the Participant or any other person makes a claim on the Participant's behalf against any of the Releasees, THE UNDERSIGNED WILL INDEMNIFY, SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS EACH OF THE RELEASEES FROM ANY LIABILITY, LITIGATION EXPENSES, ATTORNEY FEES, LOSSES, DAMAGES OR COSTS ANY MAY INCUR AS THE RESULT OF ANY SUCH CLAIM, WHETHER ASSERTED BY THE UNDERSIGNED, THE PARTICIPANT, OR ANOTHER PERSON. \_\_\_\_\_ INITIAL HERE

5. Governing Law, Venue and Jurisdiction: The undersigned understands and agrees that this document is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted under applicable law and shall be governed by Colorado law. In the event of a dispute, the exclusive venue and jurisdiction for any lawsuit arising out of such dispute shall be the state court of Boulder County, or the federal courts located in Denver, Colorado. \_\_\_\_\_ INITIAL HERE

6. Severability: If any provision of this document is determined to be invalid for any reason, such invalidity shall not affect the validity of any of the other provisions, which other provisions shall remain in full force and effect as if this document had been executed with the invalid provision eliminated. \_\_\_\_\_ INITIAL

HERE THE UNDERSIGNED PARTICIPANT HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT I HAVE COMPLETELY READ AND UNDERSTAND THIS AGREEMENT AND ITS TERMS. THAT PRIOR TO SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT, I HAVE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO ASK ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS AGREEMENT. I AM AWARE, BY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT I ASSUME ALL RISKS AND WAIVE AND RELEASE CERTAIN RIGHTS THAT I AND EACH OF MY HEIRS, NEXT OF KIN, FAMILY, RELATIVES, GUARDIANS, CONSERVATORS, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, TRUSTEES AND ASSIGNS MAY HAVE AGAINST RELEASEES.

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Signature	Printed Name	Date
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Witness Signature	Printed Name	Date
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**- ADULT (PARTICIPANTS OVER 18) –**

**USA RUGBY RULES ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

1. I understand and agree to abide by all International Rugby Board, USA Rugby, territorial and local area union rules and regulations, including the arbitration procedures therein, for any dispute regarding my eligibility or right to participate in, USA Rugby-sponsored and -sanctioned activities and events, 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 web site ([www.usarugby.org](http://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.

**I HAVE READ THIS ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, AND UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT. I HAVE SIGNED IT FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY AND WITHOUT ANY WRONGFUL PRESSURE OR ASSURANCE OF ANY NATURE AND INTEND IT TO BE A COMPLETE AND UNCONDITIONAL AGREEMENT. I AFFIRM I AM 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER.**

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Participant Signature	Printed Name	Date
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**All clubs are required to maintain the signed waivers & releases in their possession for a minimum of three (3) years and provide to USA Rugby at any time upon request. For more information about USA Rugby's Liability Insurance protection, please visit: [www.usarugby.org](http://www.usarugby.org).**



**- MINOR (PARTICIPANTS UNDER 18) –  
USA RUGBY PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT AND WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY**

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2. Participation in Activities exposes Participant to RISKS OF SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, INCLUDING PERMANENT DISABILITY, PARALYSIS AND DEATH. Risks may arise out of contact and/or participation with other participants, spectators, equipment, field, facility and/or fixed objects; falls, collisions, rough play, and other mishaps; exposure to adverse weather conditions and/or high altitude; flaws and defects in equipment and facilities; irregular field conditions; and negligent field maintenance, negligent officiating, negligent coaching and negligent participation. Risks may be caused by the Participant's own actions, or inaction, the actions or inaction of others participants, the condition of the facilities in which the Activities take place, and/or THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE "RELEASEES." Some Risks cannot be predicted or controlled. There may be other risks and social and economic losses either not known to me or not readily foreseeable at this time. \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ INITIAL HERE

3. Assumption of the Risks. I CONSENT TO PARTICIPATION IN THE ACTIVITIES AND FULLY ACCEPT AND ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS AND ALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR LOSSES, COSTS, AND DAMAGES incurred as a result of such participation. \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ INITIAL HERE

4. Waiver and Release of Liability. In consideration for the privilege of the Participant's participation in the Activities, each undersigned hereby RELEASES, DISCHARGES, COVENANTS NOT TO SUE, AND AGREES TO INDEMNIFY AND SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS RELEASEES from any and all liability, demands, losses, medical expenses, lost opportunities, damages or attorneys fees and costs stemming from any or all claims for negligence, expressed or implied warranty, contribution, and indemnity, and/or claims of negligent rescue operations, first aid, and emergency care, to the broadest extent permitted by applicable law, including C.R.S. § 13-22-107, suffered by the Participant, Parent or Guardian or incurred on his/her account with respect to the Participant's personal injury and other injury or harm, disability, and/or death, or property damage, arising directly or indirectly from the Participant's participation in Activities, as caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the Releasees or any of them, and further agrees that if, despite this release, the Participant or any other person makes a claim on the Participant's behalf against any of the Releasees, THE UNDERSIGNED WILL INDEMNIFY, SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS EACH OF THE RELEASEES FROM ANY LIABILITY, LITIGATION EXPENSES, ATTORNEY FEES, LOSSES, DAMAGES OR COSTS ANY MAY INCUR AS THE RESULT OF ANY SUCH CLAIM, WHETHER ASSERTED BY THE UNDERSIGNED, THE PARTICIPANT, OR ANOTHER PERSON. \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ INITIAL HERE

5. Governing Law, Venue and Jurisdiction: The undersigned understands and agrees that this document is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted under applicable law and shall be governed by Colorado law. In the event of a dispute, the exclusive venue and jurisdiction for any lawsuit arising out of such dispute shall be the state court of Boulder County, or the federal courts located in Denver, Colorado. \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ INITIAL HERE

6. Severability: If any provision of this document is determined to be invalid for any reason, such invalidity shall not affect the validity of any of the other provisions, which other provisions shall remain in full force and effect as if this document had been executed with the invalid provision eliminated. \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ INITIAL HERE

**THE UNDERSIGNED PARTICIPANT AND PARENT AND/OR GUARDIAN HEREBY CERTIFY THAT PARTICIPANT IS UNDER 18 YEARS OLD, THAT I HAVE COMPLETELY READ AND UNDERSTAND THIS AGREEMENT AND ITS TERMS. THAT PRIOR TO SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT, I HAVE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO ASK ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS AGREEMENT. I AM AWARE, BY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT I ASSUME ALL RISKS AND WAIVE AND RELEASE CERTAIN RIGHTS THAT I AND EACH OF MY HEIRS, NEXT OF KIN, FAMILY, RELATIVES, GUARDIANS, CONSERVATORS, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, TRUSTEES AND ASSIGNS MAY HAVE AGAINST RELEASEES.**

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Participant Signature

Printed Name

Date

**I AM A PARENT/GUARDIAN OF THE PARTICIPANT, AND I ATTEST THAT I HAVE LEGAL RESPONSIBILITY OVER THE PARTICIPANT, AND, MY SIGNATURE IS SUFFICIENT TO CONSENT TO THE PARTICIPATION OF THE PARTICIPANT IN THE ACTIVITIES AND TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE PARTICIPANT.**

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Parent/Guardian Signature

Printed Name

Date

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Witness Signature

Printed Name

Date

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**USA RUGBY (MINOR) USA RUGBY RULES ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

1. The Minor will abide by all International Rugby Board, USA Rugby, territorial and local area union rules and regulations, including the arbitration procedures therein, for any dispute regarding the Minor’s eligibility or right to participate in, USA Rugby-sponsored and –sanctioned activities and events, as set forth in the Bylaws of USA Rugby, as they are amended on a periodic basis, which are available on the USA Rugby web site ([www.usarugby.org](http://www.usarugby.org)).

2. I affirm that the Minor is 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 the Minor’s citizenship status with the appropriate governmental agencies.

3. I am aware that USA Rugby has the right to revoke the Minor’s CIPP enrollment, and therefore his/her eligibility to play or coach, in the event of any violation of the aforementioned statement.

**I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND BY SIGNING BELOW AGREE TO ALL OF ITS TERMS. I SIGN THIS DOCUMENT VOLUNTARILY AND WITH FULL UNDERSTANDING OF ITS TERMS AND LEGAL SIGNIFICANCE. I AM A PARENT/GUARDIAN OF THE MINOR, AND I ATTEST THAT I HAVE LEGAL RESPONSIBILITY OVER THE MINOR, AND FURTHER ATTEST THAT, IF I AM THE SOLE PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNING BELOW, MY SIGNATURE IS SUFFICIENT TO CONSENT TO THE PARTICIPATION OF THE MINOR IN THE ACTIVITIES AND TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE MINOR.**

**PROVIDE NAME OF MINOR:**

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Print Participant’s Name

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Parent/Guardian Signature

Printed Name

Date

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Parent/Guardian Signature

Printed Name

Date

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# USA Rugby U15 Waiver

## USA RUGBY WAIVER FOR UNDER 15 PLAYERS ENROLLED IN HIGH SCHOOL TO PARTICIPATE IN HIGH SCHOOL OR UNDER 19 RUGBY (Effective May 2013)

THIS WAIVER MAY NOT BE USED FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL PLAYERS TO PLAY ON HIGH SCHOOL OR UNDER 19 RUGBY TEAMS. USA RUGBY'S ELIGIBILITY RULES PROHIBIT ANY PLAYER THAT IS NOT ENROLLED IN HIGH SCHOOL OR OF HIGH SCHOOL AGE TO PLAY FOR A HIGH SCHOOL OR UNDER 19 TEAM OR CLUB.

**High School Rugby and Under 19 Rugby is defined as:** Rugby played between players enrolled in High school or of high school age. These teams must be registered with USA Rugby as 'High School Teams/Clubs'. This includes high school single school, multi-school, community club teams and teams made Primarily of High School Players.

### Policy:

No high school player, under the age of 15 shall train, practice, play, or be eligible to play High School or Under 19 Rugby without having first completed all applicable portions of this agreement. Completed agreements must be submitted to player's club and available for review upon request of any match opponent or administrator.

As per USA Rugby Eligibility Regulations, the Undersigned consent to allow the player listed below to play High School or Under 19 Rugby (other than in front row positions); and also agree to accept all responsibility and risks associated with playing in High School or U19 Rugby with players 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 High School or Under 19 Rugby, and that the player has the requisite skills and experience to play High School or Under 19 Rugby.

We, the undersigned player, parent or guardian, and coach, by signing this agreement, agree that this document constitutes the required written agreements and consents required by the USA Rugby Policy for Under 15s Playing High School or U19 Rugby, thereby allowing the following player to play High School or U19 Rugby.

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Player Name (Must be in High School)	USA Rugby Registration#	Signature	Date
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Coach Name	USA Rugby Registration#	Signature	Date
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Parent or Legal Guardian Name		Signature	Date
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# Parent/Player Code of Conduct Sheet



For Players: I pledge the following....

1. I will demonstrate good sportsmanship regardless of the score.
2. I will show respect to all game officials, coaches, players, and parents.
3. I will not argue with or question decisions made by the on-field game officials.
4. I will not use drugs, tobacco or alcohol at practices, games and tournament Hotel sites and venues. I will remind my team not to do so as well.
5. I will not curse at or threaten any opponent, teammate, coach or game official
6. I will shake hands with the other team at the conclusion of all games.
7. I will shake hands with the officials at the conclusion of all games.

I understand that I can be suspended from the game and or tournament play or that my actions may cause my team to have to forfeit the game for violation of this Code.

Player Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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For Parents: The essential elements of character building and ethics in sports are embodied in the concept of sportsmanship and six core principles: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and good citizenship.

I therefore agree: I (and my guests) will

1. Remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youth, not adults.
2. Learn the rules of the game and the policies of the league.
3. Be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy.
4. Demonstrate positive support for all players, coaches, officials and spectators at every game.
5. Not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent
6. Not engage in tactics such as booing, taunting, threatening or cursing.
7. Teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
8. Demand that my child treat other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect.
9. Promote the emotional and physical well-being of athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for my child to win.
10. Respect the officials, game administrators and their authority before, during and after games.
11. Never question, discuss, or confront coaches at the game – either during or after the game.
12. Demand a sports environment that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and refrain from their use at all sports events.
13. Refrain from coaching my child or others during games and practices, unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.

**I also agree that if I fail to abide by the aforementioned rules and guidelines at practices, games, & Tournament Hotel sites and venues, I will be subject to disciplinary action that could include, but is not limited to, the following:**

- ⊗ **Verbal warning by game official, head coach, and/or head of league organization**
- ⊗ **Parental game or season or tournament suspension**
- ⊗ **Game Unsportsmanlike Conduct penalty assessed against team**
  - **Sin-Bin Team Captain**
  - **Red Card Team Captain**
- ⊗ **Team game forfeit through the official or coach**

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_