

# RUGBY INDIANA ANNUAL CLUB/TEAM AGREEMENT

## 2024-2025



Rugby Indiana (RI) Affiliate Clubs/Teams have an ongoing responsibility to comply with the standards and policies that RI sets to ensure that youth rugby in Indiana is safe, fun, accessible, and true to the spirit of the game. As the Club Administrator/Leader, I am responsible for ensuring that our Club/Team policies & culture support these goals and that we are compliant with RI standards, policies and procedures.

In consideration for participation in Rugby Indiana, with my initials and signature below, our club applies to be part of the Rugby Indiana programs for the year and I agree to ensure that:

\_\_\_\_\_ All athletes participating with our Club are properly and fully registered within the RI registration system for the correct season before practicing or competing with us. Further, all athletes participating in any competition will be listed on the team's official match roster.

\_\_\_\_\_ All Club coaches are properly trained, certified as required, and registered and in good standing with USA Rugby, and only coaches with USA Rugby L1 or higher certification may coach contact/tackle (Non-Contact for Flag) players, and trained always to put the welfare and safety (*Including "SafeSport"*) of the athletes above performance outcomes. Also that **all** Club Coaches have signed and submitted the Coach Agreement specific to the season they are coaching (ie. Spring, Travel, Fall, etc.).

\_\_\_\_\_ As the Administrator I am currently registered and in Good Standing with USA Rugby as an Administrator. Additionally, all adults interacting with players on a regular basis must be a USA Rugby Coach, USA Rugby Administrator, or USA Rugby Referee in good standing for the current year, as this includes regular background checks and SafeSport training.

\_\_\_\_\_ Our Club is responsible for the behavior of our coaches, administrators, athletes, and supporters/spectators and we will work to create a positive culture that celebrates compliance with the RI Code of Conduct and take immediate corrective action when violations occur.

\_\_\_\_\_ Our Club will follow all RI Policies & Procedures (P&Ps) to the absolute best of our ability, and we will abide by rulings made by the Disciplinary Committee, the Executive Director, and/or the appropriate Commissioners Committee if we should fail to follow the P&Ps. Our Club is responsible for ensuring that our coaches, administrators, athletes, and supporters are aware of all RI Policies & Procedures, including policies governing competition, player safety & welfare, nondiscrimination and diversity, and RI's Youth Variations. We agree that "I didn't know" is not an acceptable reason for noncompliance.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am responsible for ensuring that our Club's key contact information is accurate and up to date with the League Administrator prior to each season. I will ensure that the following positions are clearly named with the League Administrator, and in the RI System including all contact information: Club Administrator, Club Secondary Contact, the Head Coach and Assistant Coaches of *every* one of our Club's teams. I understand that RI now will be using this contact information to convey official notices to Club Administrators and Coaches and that if our data is not accurate and up to date, we are responsible for missing out on key information updates.

Club Administrator/Leader Name (Printed): \_\_\_\_\_

Club Administrator/Leader Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_