 **Coolmine RFC Self-Declaration of Intent**

# Declaration of Intent

This Declaration of Intent is for adults travelling with an Age-Grade Team, and/or vulnerable adults, on an event organised by Coolmine RFC, who are not designated as a “Parent Supervisor on Tour” or “Chaperone”.

Parents/Guardians (or Adults appointed by Parents/Guardians to act in-loco-parentis on their behalf) should familiarise themselves with IRFU’s Safeguarding Policy and agree to abide by its terms.

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# I agree that I should

* Be positive at all times, praise and encourage effort as well as results
* Put Player Welfare first, strike a balance between this and winning and/or results, player needs are paramount
* Encourage fair play and treat Players equally
* Inform the Coaching Staff if problems arise
* Report any concerns to the Club Welfare Officer in accordance with confidentiality

**I understand that I should not:**

* Use any form of physical punishment or physical force on any Player, ridicule or intimidate Players in any way
* Exert undue influence over any Players in order to obtain personal benefit or reward
* Neglect my ‘position of trust’ irrespective of age of consent
* Engage in rough physical games, sexually provocative games or allow or engage in inappropriate touching of any kind, and /or make sexually suggestive comments about, or to a Player. This includes innuendo, flirting or inappropriate gestures and terms

**Where the player is not my own child, I will avoid:**

* Spending excessive amounts of time with Player(s) away from others
* Being alone with Player(s), without adequate supervision and unsighted
* Communication with individual Age-Grade Player(s) by mobile phone, email, social media forums etc
* Taking Age-Grade Player(s) on journeys alone without parental permission



# Self-Declaration I agree that

* I will abide by the guidelines contained in the IRFU Safeguarding Policy
* I have not been asked to leave a sporting organisation or organisation while working with young people and/or vulnerable adults
* There is no reason why I should not be working with young people and vulnerable adults
* I have not been convicted of a criminal offence or been the subject of a caution or a Bound Over Order, nor am I at present the subject of criminal investigations

Where I cannot agree to all statements above, I have discussed the relevant details with the Club or Branch Welfare Officer to allow an appropriate risk assessment to be made relevant to my role.

# Declaration of Intent by Parent/Guardian to Irish Rugby

I, , of Coolmine RFC, hereby acknowledge that I have received a link to the IRFU’s Safeguarding Policy. I acknowledge that I understand the Policy and I hereby declare my intention to adhere to the Safeguarding Policy and related guidelines. I agree to attend and complete any necessary safeguarding training as directed by IRFU and Branch/Club Welfare Officer.

Signed by Parent Date:

Signed by Head Coach Date: