

CAROLINA RUGBY

University of South Carolina
Men's Rugby Football Club (Est. 1967)
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Coach Mason's Challenge

As we continue to build on the successes of seasons past, we all need to pull together this Spring and show how much we **CARE** about the future of USC Men's Rugby:

C - Commitment to the team, to each other, and to yourself

A - Active, as part of the team. To come to all practices & to be an involved member of the club

R - Responsibility to improve yourself, to be serious about the game, and to help your fellow teammates through paying your dues, attending all club events, & actively recruiting

E - Energy to maintain a healthy lifestyle, as well as engage in additional weight training & conditioning outside of weekly practice sessions.

To be successful, this requires the efforts of every Club member. Depending on a select few will not make the difference we need. If we all pull together and work hard, we can make this an even more successful club that we can all enjoy.

Club & Individual Participation Program, or "CIPP"

All players must have an active CIPP account by Friday, January 22nd.

All players must have a renewed CIPP account through USARugby in order to participate with Men's Rugby. CIPP is USARugby's third party liability insurance coverage that protects you, the team, and the University from lawsuits that may arise from accidents that occur throughout the season. Please keep in mind that this **IS NOT** medical insurance, but liability insurance provided to all USARugby members.

Any member who has not renewed their account since 08/15/09 is currently ineligible for official play. If you are a new player, you will simply be creating this account for the first time. All renewed/activated accounts will last through September 1st of 2010. An active CIPP account is not only important for Division I matrix competition, but it is a requirement to participate with Men's Rugby. In order to register for USAR CIPP, please follow the instructions below:

- 1.) Log on to <https://membership.usarugby.org/IndividualDefault.aspx>
- 2.) Fill out the contact information.
- 3a.) If you have CIPP'ed before, click on "current/former member", confirm information, choose your name from the list, and proceed.
- 3b.) If you are a new player, check off "never been a member", and confirm information.
- 4.) Read & agree to the waiver statement.
- 5.) Insert your personal information.
- 6.) Everyone must register as a "player" at the "college" level in the "Univ. South Carolina Rugby Football Club" and click "save".
- 7.) Click on "Checkout", enter your payment information, and click on "pay".

USC Men's Rugby Registration System & Player Dues

***A player must have an active CIPP account to Register with the Club.
All players must complete the registration process by Friday, January 29th.***

The USC Men's Rugby online registration system is designed to allow you to provide us with necessary information by uploading it into a highly secure electronic database, as well as allowing you to pay your player dues (**\$125/semester**), all in the comfort of sitting at your desk. Personal information will only be viewed by team officials, and will be used to better serve you. This information is especially important for the Spring season, as we will be engaged in Division I matrix competition.

Before you may register, it is important that you take the time to renew your CIPP account through USARugby if you have not already done so. Be sure to remember your ID# as you will need it to register. If you forget your CIPP ID#, you may access it at www.usarugby.org under membership.

Have your debit/credit card, as well as your insurance information accessible once you access the registration system. The entire process takes no more than 5 minutes if you have your information on hand. You also have the ability to print out USC & USARugby waivers if you have not already completed these.

A link to the registration site has been uploaded onto the team website, www.uscrugby.org, as well as in the "Posted Items" portion of the team facebook page, though you may access it directly at the following link: <https://www.rockymountainregister.com/enroll/usc/login.asp?programid=2>

Player Participation Points System

Men's Rugby will be using a new points system based on player participation to reward players who work hard throughout the season. Everything we do as a team will have a +/- point value assigned to it, to award those who participate and to mark off those who are not fully committed. There will be two quarterly prizes and one seasonal prize for the player with the most points. The break-down goes as follows:

January/February: **\$50**
March/April: **\$50**
Spring Season: **\$100**

Points will start over at the end of each quarterly segment to allow everyone a chance to start new again, though there will also be a separate running tally for the overall Spring Season prize. Your current point status is available upon request through Facebook every Monday.

The number of points you obtain has no bearing against your status as a member of Men's Rugby, nor does it determine where you start on any given weekend. This is simply a way to reward those who give it their all each week and represent the best in USC Men's Rugby.

Team Contacts

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