

Code of Conduct for Cricket Club Members and Guests

KEGWORTH TOWN CRICKET CLUB

PLAYERS & MEMBERS

Our Codes of Conduct require the highest standards of conduct from everyone involved in cricket to ensure that their behaviour and actions meet the values and standards expected at all times.

Everyone must conduct themselves in an honest, fair, impartial and transparent manner.

I will respect:

- The rules, regulations and requirements of the Sport, including, but not limited to, any Competitions in which I participate either directly or indirectly
- The rights, dignity and worth of all people involved in cricket, regardless of any protected characteristic (age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, and sexual orientation)
- The rights, dignity and worth of Children, Young People and Adults at Risk and ensure that I am aware of the Safeguarding best practice guidelines and procedures when interacting with them
- Confidentiality and the sensitivities of information I hold on other individuals
- Cricket and the individual's reputation and not take any action or make inappropriate comments, including on social media, about a fellow participant, coach, official, volunteer or member of ECB staff that will bring the Sport or those associated with delivering the Sport into disrepute*. I will respect ECBs guidance and policies on Social Media technology
- The position I hold within cricket and always conduct and dress myself in an appropriate manner
- The result of the game and will not attempt to offer or accept either directly or indirectly any consideration whatsoever in return for influencing or attempting to influence the result. I will not seek to achieve personal gain on a result which I can influence by betting on any match or event where I am participating, either by playing, coaching or officiating, or through direct or indirect involvement.
- On match day, all matters relating to team management, coaching and team planning are the responsibility of the team manager and coach

I will:

- Not abuse or misuse any relationship of trust or position of power or influence held by me in my team, be that my playing team, Club, County, or England Cricket
- Be on time, dressed appropriately and ready to give my full attention to the role I am carrying out within cricket
- Recognise that individuals bring different qualities and attributes
- Welcome new members, volunteers, and connected participation and cooperate with Members, Connected Participants, colleagues, coaches, officials and administrators already in the Sport

- Recognise the achievements of others and applaud their performance and not just the result.
- Endeavor to ensure that all involved in the Sport optimise their potential by promoting the positive aspects of the sport and never condoning the use of inappropriate or abusive language, inappropriate relationships, bullying, harassment, discrimination, or physical violence.
- Discourage unfair play and arguing with officials.
- Welcome visiting teams and their supporters.
- Never engage in discriminatory abuse or anti-social behaviour which could include but is not limited to racism, sexism, antisemitic, Islamophobic, homophobic or transphobic behaviour.
- Not impinge on others enjoyment of the Sport or my performance by consuming alcoholic drinks, smoke or vape immediately prior to or while participating in the sport, or while safeguarding children, young people, or vulnerable adults.
- Ensure that everyone has the opportunity to participate in a fair, honest environment by rejecting cheating, abiding by the Anti-Doping policies and not taking illegal substances immediately prior to or while participating in the Sport.
- Display modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat; be sporting – whether I win or lose; always acknowledge the other team and the umpires at the end of the game with a hand shake or three cheers.
- Never argue with an official or participant during a game and listen to and cooperate with officials' decisions.
- I will respect the scorers at all times and not approach them at any time.
- Control my temper; I understand that verbal, emotional and physical abuse of officials, coaches, spectators, or participants, or deliberately distracting or provoking a participant, coach or official is not acceptable or permitted behaviour in cricket.
- Enjoy the game and ensure other can also enjoy it. I will endeavour to abide by this code of conduct and promote it to others. I understand that if I fail to follow the code, the ECB Cricket, the County Association may take action against me under the Disciplinary Regulations which may result in Sanctions including suspension.
- I will make myself aware of the clubs two Welfare officers.

PARENTS & CARERS

The enjoyment and safety of your child when involved in a cricket activity is of paramount importance to England Cricket.

Every child will be encouraged and asked to ensure that their behaviour and actions meet the values and standards expected of them at all times.

As parents, you are asked to support our Codes of Conduct and embrace the spirit of our game.

Once at the venue, please keep your distance from the squad changing /viewing area. If for any reason you need to talk to your son/daughter, then please liaise with the coach /manager.

Please refrain from approaching the boundary edge to coach or converse with players from either side. Feel free to clap/encourage positively from your viewing distance.

We would appreciate it if the players do not use phones/electronic devices during the hours of play, but rather encourage and support their team mates on the field of play.

The coach/manager will be contactable at all times.

I will:

- Encourage my child to play within the rules and respect officials' and coaches' decisions
- Support my child's efforts and performance, give positive comments that motivate and encourage continued effort and learning
- Understand that Competition is about winning and losing, so results are always accepted without undue disappointment
- Be a positive role model to my child by helping them work towards skill improvement and good sportsmanship
- Remember that children learn best by example; I will applaud good play by both my child's team and their opponents
- Thank the coaches, officials and other volunteers who give their time for my child and not interfere with their decisions
- Help when asked by a coach or official.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all people involved in the game, regardless of gender, marital status, race, colour, disability, sexuality, age, occupation, religion or political opinion
- Never engage in discriminatory abuse or anti-social behaviour which could include but is not limited to racism, sexism, antisemitic, Islamophobic, homophobic or transphobic behaviour.
- Read the rules of the Sport to understand better what I am watching and discussing with my child
- Promote this code of conduct to other parents, carers and supporters
- Be aware of my child's club safeguarding policy and ensure that any concerns are reported to the club's safeguarding officer or ECB's Lead Safeguarding Officer

As a parent/carer,

I will not:

- Pressure my child in any way; I know that this is their Sport not mine
- Use inappropriate language, harass athletes, coaches, officials or other spectators
- Criticise or ridicule my child for making a mistake or losing after the game
- Force my child if they are unwilling to participate in the Sport
- Use social media technology to bring the game into disrepute or make an inappropriate comment about an athlete, coach, official, volunteer or member of England Cricket staff