

CODES OF CONDUCT (BEHAVIOUR)

Policy Title:	Codes of Conduct (Behaviour)
Policy Type	Volunteer Management, Risk Management

Players

- Play by the rules.
- The umpire's decision is final – respect all decisions and never argue with an official.
- Control your temper and remain calm - verbal abuse, sledging or deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent is unacceptable.
- Be a good sport – applaud all good plays whether they are your team's or the opposition's.
- Treat all players with respect – regardless of gender, ability, cultural background, or religion.
- Work equally hard for yourself and your team.
- Cooperate with your captain, coach, manager, teammates, and opponents.
- Have fun at all times – play to enjoy the game, not just to please others.

Coaches

- Remember that young people participate for pleasure – winning is only part of the fun.
- Compliment the performance of all children – never ridicule or yell at a child.
- Be reasonable in your demands on players' time, energy, and enthusiasm.
- Ensure all young people receive equal attention and playing opportunities.
- Abide by local conditions – encourage children to settle disagreements calmly.
- Ensure that equipment and facilities meet safety standards and are appropriate to the age and ability of all players.
- Control your temper and remain calm at all times – encourage players to do the same.
- On-field coaching is encouraged in stage 1 cricket.
- Limited on-field coaching is permitted in stage 2 cricket.
- On-field or side-line coaching is not permitted in stage 3 cricket.
- Ensure any physical contact with a young person is appropriate and necessary.
- Treat all people with respect – regardless of gender, ability, cultural background or religion

Parents and spectators

- Enjoy the game – remember that children participate in sport for their own enjoyment.
- Encourage children to participate – do not force them.
- Focus on the children's efforts and performances rather than whether they win or lose.
- Respect the decisions and actions of all coaches, managers, captains, and match officials.
- Encourage children to respect local conditions and settle disagreements calmly.

- Compliment the performance of all children – never ridicule or yell at a child.
- Lead by example and be a positive role model.
- Support efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.
- Treat all people with respect – regardless of gender, ability, cultural background, or religion.

Administrators

- Involve young people in planning, leadership, evaluation, and decision-making.
- Create pathways for young people to participate in sport – not just as players but as coaches, umpires and administrators.
- Ensure that rules and other processes suit the age, ability, and maturity level of young players.
- Provide quality supervision and instruction for junior players.
- Remember that young people participate for pleasure – don't over-emphasize awards.
- Encourage fair play – not winning at all costs.
- Help develop coaches and officials and help improve standards of coaching and officiating.
- Encourage spectators, officials, parents, coaches, players and the media to follow codes of behaviour.
- Ensure your behaviour and comments are positive and supportive.
- Make it clear that abusing young people in any way is unacceptable and will result in disciplinary action.
- Treat all people with respect – regardless of gender, ability, cultural background, or religion.