



Code of Conduct for Players

Players are the most important people in the sport. Playing for the team, and for the team to win, is the most fundamental part of the game. But not winning at any cost – Fair Play and respect for all others in the game is fundamentally important.

It is expected that all Players will conduct themselves in a manner that is both honourable and in keeping with the spirit of fair play and sportsmanship. They will not indulge themselves in tactics, either by word or action, that are likely to bring the game, this Club or the League in which it plays into disrepute. In particular, the standards below should be followed at all times:

Obligations towards the game

A player should

- Promote the highest standard of sportsmanship, see that Fair Play be paramount at all times and ensure that the “spirit of the game” is not abused.
- Avoid all forms of gamesmanship and time-wasting.
- Never use inappropriate language.

Obligations towards one’s own team

A player should

- Give maximum effort and strive for the best possible performance during a game, even if his/her team is in a position where the desired result has already been achieved.
- Set a positive example for other players.
- Make every effort consistent with Fair Play and the Laws of the Game to help his/her own team win.

Respect towards Opponents

A player should

- Treat opponents with due respect at all times, irrespective of the result of the game.
- Seek to shake hands with opponents and Team Officials of the opposition at the end of each game.
- Players should treat victory with humility and defeat with dignity.

Respect towards the Match Officials

A player should

- Accept the decision of the Match Official without protest.
- Avoid words or actions, which may mislead a Match Official.
- Show due respect towards Match Officials and shake hands with Match Officials at the end of the game.



Respect towards Team Officials

A player should

- Abide by the instructions of their Manager, Coach and Team Officials, provided they do not contradict the spirit of this Code.
- Show due respect towards the Team Officials of the opposition.

Obligations towards the Supporters

A player should:

- Show due respect to both his/her own and the opposition supporters.
- Not react or become involved with the opposition supporters.

Breaches of this code

Persons who breach this Code of Conduct shall be subject to disciplinary action taken in accordance with the Club's Disciplinary Code.

Examples of the most common types of unacceptable behaviour are:

- Abusive behaviour or language
- Threatening behaviour
- Violent conduct
- Provocative, rude or obscene language and gestures