



Winscombe Cricket Club

Code of Conduct for Parents & Spectators

Note To Parents / Guardians / Carers:

Your involvement with Winscombe CC means a great deal to us, as it does to your child. Our parents are vital to the success of the Youth Section and to the teams that represent it. We positively encourage parents to engage with as many aspects of their child's cricketing development as possible. Volunteers are always welcome, whether it is to assist with coaching, management of games, umpiring, scoring and transportation, or to offer moral support as a spectator. Please talk to the coaching team if you would like to become more involved, or explore taking some coaching qualifications yourself – you need not even have played cricket before.

We hope that you will support the Club by attending games and taking an interest in the coaching sessions, but another, arguably even more important way in which parents can show their support for the Club and their child is by adhering to the few simple guidelines that make up the Code of Conduct For Parents.

This Code of Conduct has two main purposes:

- To ensure that your child is set a good example for their behaviour by all of the adults around them - adults that they respect and look to as role models
- To protect the reputation of the club for fair play and sportsmanship

As you will probably know by now, we ask all of our Young Players to sign up to a Code of Conduct that also contains commitments made, in return, by the coaching team. Our coaches also sign up to a more detailed, ECB approved Code of Conduct. Now it's the turn of the parents and supporters.

Ideally we would like all of our parents, but particularly those who plan to attend games, to formally and literally sign up to this Code of Conduct – you only need to do it once. However, formal sign up is not mandatory providing you sign up to the spirit of the Code. The Club appreciates your support.

The Youth Manager or the coaching team will be happy to explore this Code of Conduct in greater detail if required.

Code of Conduct...

- Encourage your child to learn the rules and play within them.
- Discourage unfair play and arguing with officials.
- Help your child to recognise good performance, not just results.
- Never force your child to take part in sport.
- Set a good example by recognising fair play and applauding good performances on both sides.
- Never punish or belittle a child for losing or making mistakes.
- Publicly accept officials' judgements.
- Support your child's involvement and help them to enjoy their sport.
- Use correct and proper language at all times.

Declaration:

I have read and understood the above Code of Conduct and agree to abide by its terms. I understand that regular and flagrant breaches of this Code of Conduct may result in the Club barring me from active participation in games or coaching sessions or requesting that I do not attend games as a spectator.