



Winscombe Cricket Club

Code of Conduct for Youth Players

Note To Parents / Guardians / Carers:

The spirit of fairness and courtesy has long been enshrined in the values of the game of cricket and Winscombe CC want to ensure these values continue within the game through your child. The club would therefore encourage you to read through the Code of Conduct with the Young Player and help them to understand the obligations both upon them and the Club.

Discipline and good manners are of paramount importance when your child begins to play hardball cricket; failure to listen to, or follow instructions from coaches can have serious repercussions in terms of accidents and injuries. Child welfare and safety is the primary concern of the Club; we do not intend to use this Code of Conduct as a mechanism to stop children playing cricket but we may very occasionally need to use it to prevent a child from endangering themselves or others. More importantly, if the Code is understood and followed, the situation need never arise in the first place.

The Young Player Agrees To...

- Listen, listen, listen and remember that while I am listening, I am learning something new and staying safe
- Remember that team mates, opposition, coaches, helpers, umpires, officials and everyone else I meet through playing cricket with Winscombe CC are there to help me play and improve my cricket. I will treat them with the same courtesy and respect as I want from them in return
- Treat everyone equally and fairly whatever their age, gender, religion, race or physical ability
- Be well behaved, avoid bad language and bad manners. I will be on time and dressed in a way that shows pride in the club I represent
- Try my hardest to play my best, to learn and to improve. I will enjoy winning while being gracious in defeat
- Remember that I play my best when I'm enjoying myself...and that cricket is most enjoyable when I play my best

Winscombe Cricket Club Agrees To...

- Place the well-being, enjoyment and safety of the young person above the development of performance
- Know, understand and apply the ECB 'Safe Hands' Policy and Procedures
- Listen to and respect young people's opinion when making decisions about their participation in cricket. We will allow young people to get their thoughts and views across at an appropriate time and in an appropriate manner
- Display high standards of behaviour, language, manner, punctuality and presentation
- Not to smoke, drink or use banned substances whilst actively working with young people in the Club
- Promote the positive aspects of cricket and treat all players with courtesy and respect

Declaration:

Winscombe CC recognises that you have chosen to play for our Club in preference to other clubs. We will respect your choice by following this Code of Conduct and providing an enjoyable, exciting and rewarding cricketing experience