

The following is the approved Code of Conduct adopted by Carlow Cricket Club

- 1 The Club is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the wellbeing of all its members. Therefore, the Club endeavours to provide an environment free of any unlawful discrimination. Any player, official or member representing any visiting club or our own club, especially umpires, shall be treated with respect and dignity.
- 2 It is the responsibility of all club members to familiarise themselves with and adhere to all club policies and procedures, especially the club's child safeguarding statement risk management plan.
3. Players shall, at all times, address their team-mates on the field of play with positive remarks, in order to promote team spirit. Senior players are reminded of their responsibility to encourage and motivate younger players and set an example of sportsmanlike conduct. Negative and derisory comments have a negative effect on team spirit and should be avoided at all costs.
4. Club members are reminded that they represent the Club at all matches and are required to always behave in a polite and sportsmanlike manner, in line with the Spirit of Cricket. Any improper behaviour including the use of alcohol, illicit drugs or smoking in non-designated areas will result in sanction from the committee. Particular attention should be paid to Law 42 'Player Conduct'. Breach of Law 42 will result in referral to the Club's Disciplinary Committee.
5. The Club applies a strict dress code. Appropriate clothing and equipment must be worn at all times, notably white clothing must be worn at all times on the field of play, unless a match is deemed as a 'coloured clothing' match. All equipment and clothing must be clean and in a good state of repair. There shall be no excuse for the wearing of inappropriate equipment or clothing.
6. To ensure the safety of all players, appropriate protective equipment should be worn at all times.
Juniors (under 18s): For their own safety, those who are under the age of 18 are required to wear all appropriate protective equipment when batting or wicket-keeping. This applies at all times during match-play and training, and is not open to debate.
Seniors (18 and over): The Club also strongly recommend that members over the age of 18 wear all appropriate protective equipment at all times. However, this decision ultimately remains with the individual. As a result of this, all Senior Members will be required to sign a waiver absolving the Club of responsibility of any injury that may be sustained, should they choose not to wear appropriate protective equipment at any time.

By signing the Code of Conduct, I hereby agree not to hold Carlow Cricket Club responsible for any physical injury I may sustain, should I choose not to wear appropriate protective equipment at any time.

7. Team spirit is an important part of the enjoyment of cricket, which is to be promoted by the committee and team captain. As such, the captain is responsible at all times for ensuring that play is conducted within the Spirit of Cricket, as well as within the Laws.
Members have a responsibility to oppose and report any discriminatory behaviour and promote the equality of everyone.

All members are expected to support the Captain, and/or Coach, in any reasonable request, they make with regard to setting up the field of play prior to training, or on match-day.

All players are expected to attend the team's allocated training sessions. All players need to practise, and the Club will endeavour to provide suitable facilities, equipment and coaching for all. As such, it will be left up to the team Captain/selection committee to decide if a player who does not practise on a regular basis will be selected. Exceptions to this can be made in extenuating circumstances. If players act outside the rules, disciplinary action will follow.

8. On Match days, all players shall:
 - Arrive at the ground at least 60 minutes ahead of the scheduled start time
 - Assist in any setting out the playing field, where necessary
 - Help prepare the Club House for teas and refreshment during games, and take responsibility to help clean up after the match
 - Be properly dressed and ready for pre-match warm-up, organised by team Captain prior to the start of play
 - Remain at the venue for the duration of play, until the game has finished, unless given express permission to leave from the team Captain
 - Remain on the boundary to support their team-mates, unless given express permission from the team Captain
 - When playing at home, players are reminded of their responsibility to provide tea and refreshments for themselves and the visiting team
 - When playing away from home, any players availing of a lift from a team-mate is encouraged to offer the driver petrol money (€5.00 per passenger is recommended)
9. Any player who is seen to be disrespecting his/her team-mates by ignoring these commonsense requirements, or refuses to perform any reasonable task delegated by the team Captain, Carlow Cricket Club, and/or Coach, will be

reported to the committee, and have an appropriate sanction imposed upon them. Owing to the fact that we are using Carlow College, St. Patrick's grounds and facilities, it is of the utmost importance that each player, member and all associated with Carlow Cricket Club, treat these grounds and facilities with the utmost care and respect.

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