



NJCA CODE OF CONDUCT

- a. This code of behaviour (the code) shall apply to all players, parents, spectators aligned with an affiliated club, members, officials and office bearers of affiliated clubs and organisations participating in, or in attendance at, competitions or matches conducted under the control of, or when representing, this Association.
- b. Persons subject to this code shall not:
 - i) assault or attempt to assault an umpire, another player or spectator;
 - ii) abuse, either orally or physically, an umpire, another player or spectator
 - iii) dispute, as distinct from question, an umpires decision, or react in an obviously provocative or disapproving manner towards an umpire, their decision or generally, following an umpiring decision
 - iv) use offensive, disrespectful and/or abusive language, or engage in any form of conduct detrimental to the spirit of the game, or likely to bring the game into disrepute
 - v) in any way use crude or abusive hand signals or other gestures
 - vi) drink, be affected by, or in possession of alcohol on the field of play
 - vii) refuse to supply their full name and address if required by an umpire
 - viii) engage in any other conduct, either on or in the vicinity of the field of play, considered to be prejudicial to the best interests of cricket or in contravention of the rules or competition rules of this Association
- c. The Manager or Coach of a team may be held responsible for any continuing breaches of the code by a player in their team under any one of the subsections of (b) above and may accordingly be reported for failure to control their team
- d. Where the conduct or behaviour of any person referred to in section (a) is to be the subject of a report by an officiating umpire, the umpire shall:-
 - i) verbally inform that person on the ground on the day of the alleged conduct or behaviour that they are to be the subject of a report to the Association
 - ii) verbally inform both Managers or Coaches or the persons substituting for them or either of them (where it is the Manager or Coach who is to be the subject of a report then another player of their team) on the day of the alleged conduct or behaviour that the person is to be the subject of such a report
 - iii) verbally inform the Association as soon as practicable after the alleged conduct or behaviour that a report is to be submitted
 - iv) Submit to the Secretary/Administrator of the Association by 6.00pm on the Wednesday following the incident, a written report containing details of the alleged conduct or behaviour, including the names of the persons informed in accordance with (ii) above
 - v) attend the meeting of the Judiciary Committee



- e. Where the conduct or behaviour of any person referred to in section (a) is to be the subject of a report by an affiliated club, the club secretary shall:-
 - i) verbally inform the Association as soon as practicable after the alleged conduct or behaviour that a report is to be submitted
 - ii) submit to the Secretary/Administrator of the Association by 6.00pm on the Wednesday following the incident, a written report containing details of the alleged conduct or behaviour
 - iii) attend the meeting of the Judiciary
- f. Where the conduct or behaviour of any person referred to in section (a) is to be the subject of a report by a person other than an officiating umpire or an affiliated club, the person shall submit a written account (email is permissible) to the Secretary/Administrator of the Association containing details of the alleged conduct or behaviour
- g. The Committee of Management shall have the power to initiate judiciary proceedings against any club, team or player, whenever it considers necessary
- h. Incidents of misconduct shall be heard by a Judiciary Committee
- i. The Association Secretary/Administrator shall summon the transgressor, an official of the club with which the transgressor is registered and the umpire(s) involved to attend the next meeting of the Judiciary Committee. The transgressor shall be permitted to be accompanied by persons bearing witness to material facts in relation to the alleged offence but shall not be permitted representation by an agent, including a legal representative. Such notification shall include details of the charges listed for hearing. Failure to appear as summoned, while not necessarily delaying proceedings, shall result in automatic disqualification, pending attendance at a subsequent meeting, or as otherwise directed by, the Judiciary Committee.
- j. The Judiciary Committee shall impose a penalty considered appropriate to the circumstances and their decision shall be final, subject to an appeal being lodged in accordance with Administration By-Law 10 (Appeals)
- k. The Association Secretary/Administrator shall confirm in writing the Judiciary Committee's decision to the parties involved
- l. In judiciary matters involving players and/or clubs of other Associations, the Judiciary Committee of such Associations shall meet together to hear evidence but in making their decision, each Committee shall do so regarding its own respective Association
- m. The Association requires all clubs to ensure that players, parents, Coaches, Managers and officials have signed the appropriate Code of Behaviour document or agreed to the document through online MyCricket registration. It is the responsibility of all clubs to ensure



that this rule is abided by. Copies of these signed documents are to be retained by the respective clubs. The Association may take disciplinary action against clubs, teams or individuals who do not abide by the Codes of Behaviour. Upon registration of teams, clubs are to ensure that the details of the respective Coaches are to be included in the registration documents.

- n. A council ordinance prohibits glass containers from being taken on to council grounds. Clubs found guilty of breaching this ordinance shall be fined a maximum of \$200 and may, at the discretion of the Committee of Management, be withdrawn from the competition.

Code of Conduct for Players

Play by the rules

- Never argue with an umpire. If you disagree, have your captain, Coach or Manager approach the umpire in an appropriate manner during a break or after the game.
- Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials and sledging other players, deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent are not acceptable or permitted behaviours in cricket.
- Work equally hard for yourself and your team-mates. Your team's performance will benefit and so will you.
- Be a good sport. Applaud all good plays whether they are made by your team or the opposition.
- Treat all participants in cricket as you like to be treated. Do not bully or take unfair advantage of another competitor.
- Cooperate with your Coach, team-mates and opponents. Without them there would be no competition.
- Participate for your own enjoyment and benefit, not just to please parents, teachers or Coaches.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

Code of Conduct for Parents

- Do not force an unwilling child to participate in cricket.
- Remember, children are involved in cricket for their enjoyment, not yours.
- Encourage your child to play by the rules.
- Focus on the child's efforts and performance rather than winning or losing.
- Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a game.
- Remember that children learn best by example. Appreciate good performances and skilful play by all participants.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.
- Respect official's decisions. Teach children to do likewise.



- Show appreciation for volunteer Coaches, officials and administrators. Without them, your child could not participate
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion

Code of Behaviour for Coaches

- Remember that young people participate for pleasure and winning is only part of the fun
- Never ridicule or yell at a young player for making a mistake or not coming first
- Be reasonable in your demands on players' time, energy and enthusiasm
- Operate within the rules and Spirit of Cricket and teach your players to do the same
- Ensure that the time players spend with you is a positive experience
- Avoid overplaying the talented players; all young players need and deserve equal time, attention and opportunities
- Ensure that equipment and facilities meet safety standards and are appropriate to the age and ability of all players
- Display control and respect to all involved in cricket. This includes opponents, coaches, umpires, administrators, parents and spectators. Encourage your players to do the same
- Show concern and caution toward sick and injured players. Follow advice of a physician when determining whether an injured player is ready to recommence training or competition
- Obtain appropriate qualifications and keep up-to-date with the latest cricket Coaching practices and principles of growth and development of young people
- Any physical contact with a young person should be appropriate to the situation and necessary for the player's skill development
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.