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CODE OF CONDUCT Juniors

Coaches

- Remember that children play for fun and enjoyment and that winning is only part of their motivation.
- Never ridicule or yell at a young player for making a mistake.
- Be reasonable in your demands on the young 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 over playing the talented players, all young players need and deserve equal time, attention and opportunities.
- Ensure that the equipment and facilities meet safety standards and are appropriate to the age and ability of all the players.
- The scheduling and length of practice times and competition should take into consideration the maturity level of the children.
- Display control and respect to all those 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 or injured players. Follow the advice of a Physician when determining whether an injured player is ready to play or commence training.
- Obtain appropriate qualifications and keep up to date with the latest cricket coaching practices and principles of growth and development of young players.
- Any physical contact with a young person should be appropriate to the situation and necessary for the players' skill development.
 - Refer Policies for Safegarding Children and Young People SACA & Cricket Aust on GCC website.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

Parents, Volunteers & Spectators

- Remember children are involved in cricket for their enjoyment not yours.
- If children are interested, encourage them to participate. If they are not willing, do not force them.
- Focus on the child's efforts and performance, rather than winning or losing.
- Teach children that an honest effort is as important as a victory, so that the result of each game is accepted without undue disappointment.
- Encourage all children in your care to play by the rules.
- Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a game.
- Remember children learn best by example. Appreciate good performances and skillful play by all participants, no matter which team.
- Respect officials' decisions and teach your children to do likewise.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.

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- Recognise the value and importance of volunteer coaches, officials and administrators. Without them, children could not participate.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
- Ensure Child Safety is paramount to all families.

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Players

- Always play by the rules.
- Never argue with an official. If you disagree, have your captain, coach or manager approach the official during a break or after the game.
- Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials, sledging other players, deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent, is unacceptable behavior and will not be tolerated.
- 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 players as you would like to be treated. Do not interfere with, bully or take unfair advantage of another player.
- Co-operate with your coach, teammates and opponents. Without them there would be no competition.
- All talk must stop when the bowler reaches their bowling mark.
- Bad language (swearing) is not permitted.
- Once a batter is dismissed, members of the fielding team are not permitted to give the batter a "send off".
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every other player regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
- Sportsman-like behaviour is encouraged.

'Greenock Cricket Club has a policy of not making excuses for our performance. We accept responsibility collectively and individually, whether we are successful or unsuccessful. Our goal is to develop cricketers who respect, are respected, and aim to achieve their fullest cricketing potential.'

Any breaches of the Code of Conduct will be considered by the Directors of the Greenock Cricket Club and will be assessed on a case-by-case basis. For serious or multiple offences, people may be suspended from playing for the Greenock Cricket Club or attending games.