

Stirling Cricket Club Codes of Behaviour

At Stirling Cricket Club, we seek to provide a safe, fair and inclusive environment for everyone involved in our organisation and in our sport. To achieve this, we require certain standards of behaviour of players, coaches, parents/guardians (of child participants) and spectators on and off the field, at training, games and club functions.

A1: Our codes of behaviour are underpinned by the following core values:

1. To act within the rules and spirit of our sport.
2. To display respect and courtesy towards everyone involved in our sport and prevent discrimination and harassment.
3. To prioritise the safety and well-being of children and young people involved in our sport.
4. To encourage and support opportunities for participation in all aspects of our sport.

B1: Players, Coaches and Support Staff

As a player, coach or support staff member appointed by Stirling Cricket Club, you are expected to meet the following requirements in regard to your conduct at all times:

1. Comply and encourage compliance with Stirling Cricket Club standards and SACA and CA policies, including HCA by-laws
2. Encourage and adhere to the rules and spirit of the sport of cricket including national guidelines, regulations and rules that govern the game of cricket and the particular competition in which you are participating
3. Never argue with an umpire. It is only the place of coach or captain to seek clarification from umpires regarding decisions
4. Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials and sledging other players, deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent are not acceptable or permitted behaviours in any sport
5. Work equally hard for yourself and/or your team. Your team's performance will benefit, so will you
6. Be a good sport. Applaud all good plays whether they are made by your team or the opposition
7. Treat all participants in your sport as you like to be treated. Do not bully or take unfair advantage of another competitor
8. Cooperate with your coach, team-mates and opponents. Without them there would be no competition
9. Participate for your own enjoyment and benefit, not just to please parents and coaches
10. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion
11. Treat another person's property with respect and due consideration of its value

B2: Parents and Spectators

1. Remember that children participate in sport for their enjoyment, not yours.
2. Encourage children to participate, do not force them.
3. Focus on the child's efforts and performance rather than winning or losing.
4. Encourage children always to play according to the rules
5. Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake.
6. Remember that children learn best by example. Appreciate good performances and skilful plays by all participants.
7. Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.
8. Respect umpire's decisions and teach children to do likewise.
9. Show appreciation for volunteer coaches and administrators. Without them, your child could not participate.
10. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

NB

1. Penalties for on-field breaches of the above codes will be implemented by the SCC committee in accordance with the HCA By-Laws Part-D. In the case of off-field, including club function breaches, penalties will be implemented at the discretion of the SCC Committee
2. The above codes are equally valid on and off the field, including at club functions.