

Keilor Cricket Club – Players, Supporters, Coaches Team Managers Code of Conduct

At Keilor Cricket Club, we are committed to fostering a positive, respectful, and inclusive environment for everyone involved in the Club. This Code of Conduct sets out the behaviours expected from players, supporters, coaches, and team managers to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience both on and off the field. Any breaches of this Code may result in disciplinary action.

Players – Code of Conduct

As a player at Keilor Cricket Club, you are required to observe the following code of conduct to help maintain the strong connections we have within the community, which enables the Club to continue growing and better serve the needs of all members.

- **Respect the Umpires:** Umpires must be always treated with respect. Players must not dispute or react negatively to an umpire's decision. If an issue arises, it should be addressed through the captain.
- **Captains Lead by Example:** Captains are expected to set an example on and off the field, and their decisions must be respected by all players.
- **Abide by the Captain's Decisions:** Players must respect and follow the captain's decisions in all matters during the game.
- **Professional Conduct on and Off the Field:** Players should always conduct themselves in a professional manner, both during matches and when attending social functions hosted by the Club. Appropriate behaviour is expected in the clubrooms, at events, and at any sponsor venues.
- **Avoid Offensive Language & Inappropriate Behaviour:** Offensive language and inappropriate behaviour should be avoided to ensure everyone enjoys their time with the club.
- **No Tolerance for Illegal Activity:** Illegal activity is strictly prohibited, whether it takes place at the clubrooms, events hosted by the Club, or sponsor venues.
- **Alcohol Consumption:** If it is deemed by the committee or bar manager that a player or their acquaintance has consumed too much alcohol, the intoxicated individual may be asked to leave the premises or grounds.
- **Consequences for Breaches:** Failure to comply with this code of conduct will result in the player being asked to appear before the Keilor Cricket Club Committee, where appropriate action will be taken, as determined by the Committee.

Coaches – Code of Conduct

As a coach at Keilor Cricket Club, you are expected to:

- **Respect the Rights of All Individuals:** Treat every individual with dignity and respect, regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background, or religion.

- **Support and Encourage Players:** Support and encourage all players, regardless of their talent level, and involve them in all aspects of the game.
- **No Ridicule or Yelling:** Never ridicule or yell at players for mistakes or poor performance.
- **Prioritise Safety and Wellbeing:** Ensure the safety and wellbeing of participants is always prioritised before performance and results.
- **Focus on Personal Growth:** Encourage players to value their performances and focus on personal development, not just the outcome.
- **Age-Appropriate Activities:** Ensure all activities are age-appropriate, considering the ability and experience of players.
- **Promote Fair Play and Teamwork:** Foster positive aspects of sport such as fair play and teamwork.
- **Respect Officials' Decisions:** Respect officials' decisions and support them in their role.
- **Model High Standards:** Model high standards of conduct, both in terms of behaviour and appearance.
- **Follow Club and National Guidelines:** Follow all Club guidelines and those set by the national governing body.
- **Hold Valid Coaching Qualifications:** Ensure you hold valid coaching qualifications before commencing any coaching responsibilities.
- **Condone Fair Play:** Never condone rule violations, unfair play, or the use of prohibited substances.
- **No Smoking or Alcohol:** Do not smoke or consume alcohol while acting in an official coaching capacity.
- **Maintain Professional Conduct:** Avoid using offensive language or engaging in inappropriate behaviour.
- **Act as a Role Model:** Always act as a role model for players and others involved in the Club.

Team Managers – Code of Conduct

As a team manager at Keilor Cricket Club, you are expected to:

- **Ensure Safety and Wellbeing:** Ensure the safety and wellbeing of all players and support staff.
- **Foster a Positive Environment:** Create a positive environment for all team members, ensuring equal participation for all players.
- **Support Coaches:** Support coaches in delivering appropriate training sessions and managing the team's activities.
- **Act as a Liaison:** Act as a liaison between players, coaches, and the Club's administration.
- **Communicate Effectively:** Communicate effectively with players, parents, and officials to keep everyone informed of team activities and club policies.
- **Comply with Club Policies:** Ensure all team-related activities comply with the Club's policies and guidelines.
- **Be a Responsible Role Model:** Be a responsible role model, demonstrating good sporting behaviour, respect, and professionalism.
- **Respect Players' Rights:** Be mindful of players' needs and ensure that their rights are respected.
- **Encourage Team Unity:** Promote team unity and ensure that all players feel valued and included within the team.

Supporters & Members – Code of Conduct

Supporters and members of Keilor Cricket Club should:

- **Support Players and Coaches Positively:** Support players and coaches in a positive and respectful manner, promoting good sportsmanship and fair play.
- **Respect the Rights of All Individuals:** Respect the rights, dignity, and worth of all individuals, including players, officials, opponents, and fellow spectators.
- **Avoid Disruptive Behaviour:** Refrain from using offensive language or disruptive behaviour that negatively affects others' enjoyment of the game.
- **Respect Officials' Decisions:** Respect the decisions of match officials and avoid publicly criticising or undermining them.
- **Promote Inclusivity:** Promote inclusivity and respect for all, irrespective of background, ability, or identity.
- **Adhere to Club Policies:** Adhere to Club policies regarding smoking, alcohol consumption, and appropriate behaviour always.
- **Represent the Club Positively:** Behave in a manner that represents the Club positively, both on and off the field.
- **Ensure Children Follow the Code:** Ensure that children or dependents in your care understand and follow the Code of Conduct.

By participating in any Keilor Cricket Club activities, players, supporters, coaches, team managers, and members acknowledge and agree to uphold this Code of Conduct. Any violations may result in disciplinary action by the Club.