



Ickenham Cricket Club

Colts section

Codes of conduct and policies

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The ICC believes all people participating in cricket or any activities of the Club should adhere to a number of Codes of Conduct.

Code of conduct – colts

All Colts registered as members of the Club are required to sign up to and adhere to the following Code of Conduct.

- Play cricket because you want to do so, not to please your parents and coaches.
- Be attentive at all training and coaching sessions at all times.
- Always wear the appropriate protective equipment.
- Enjoy cricket; fun and enjoyment are essential to skill development.
- Recognise good play not only from your own team but also the opposition.
- Display good sportsmanship – win or lose.
- Learn and play to the laws of the game.
- Accept all umpires decisions without dispute or comment.
- Remember cricket is not an individual sport it is a team game.
- Treat all players as you would like to be treated yourself. Verbal or physical abuse are totally unacceptable.
- Appreciate the efforts of coaches, team managers and parents.
- Respect coaches and team manager's decisions.
- Recognise that all young players have the right to participate in a safe and friendly environment.
- Understand you have the right to report any incident or occurrence that you feel uncomfortable about, to either an adult or club official.

Code of conduct – parents

All parents, carers and guardians are required to sign up to and adhere to the following Code of Conduct.

- Be familiar with the coaching and training programme dates and times in order that you can ensure that your child is fully involved and punctual.
- Inform relevant team manager if your child is unable to attend any training session.
- Inform relevant team manager giving as much notice as possible if your child becomes unavailable after being selected to represent the club so a replacement can be found.
- Share any concerns you may have, with club officials.
- Encourage but do not force your child to play cricket.
- Support your child's involvement and help them enjoy their cricket.
- Encourage your child to learn the laws of cricket and play within them at all times.
- Recognize children's efforts and performances, rather than winning and losing.
- Use correct and appropriate language at all times.
- Do not shout or offer advice from the boundary.
- Always show appreciation of good play from both your own club and the opposition.
- Respect decisions made by managers and coaches and encourage the young players to do likewise.
- If at all possible please volunteer your help at coaching sessions or on match days. The colt's section is heavily reliant on parents, carers or guardians becoming involved.

Failure to agree to comply with the Club's codes of conduct may result in non-admittance to or expulsion from Club membership. Individuals in breach of the relevant Code of Conduct may face disciplinary action by the Club Management Committee or the ECB.

Policies

(Young People and Young Cricketer means any person aged under 18 years of age.)

Transport policy

The ICC has determined that it is the responsibility of parents or carers to provide transportation to and from fixtures and training sessions.

- The club must obtain a consent form, signed by a parent or carer, granting their children permission to participate in fixtures away from Ickenham Cricket Club.
- Coaches, colts' team managers, senior players, umpires, scorers, groundsmen, bar staff and other officials and employees of the Club are forbidden to transport Young People to and from matches and training sessions.
- It is the responsibility of parents and carers to provide transportation to and from fixtures and training sessions.
- The club will notify parents and/or carers of all relevant match day information.
- Parents and carers are requested to contact the respective team manager if they will be late collecting their child.
- Alternatively contact Mick Waller 07790 789442 if you have difficulty in contacting the team manager.
- If a parent or carer is late the club will:
 - a) Attempt to contact the parent or carer and alternative emergency contact number.
 - b) Check alternative club contact number for any information regarding the child.
 - c) Wait with the child at the agreed location, with, wherever possible another adult.
 - d) Remind parents and/or carers of the club policy regarding late collection.
 - e) If parents and/or carers remain out of contact, the club has a duty to report the situation to the Police or Social Services.
- Nothing in this statement shall prevent parents from making private arrangements for their children to be transported to away matches by other Club members.

Club changing and showering policies

These policies may be modified after individual discussion with parents (for example to involve disabled players who require additional support or assistance).

Colts' Matches

- The club does not provide showering facilities at colts' matches. All young players will be encouraged to shower or bath at home.
- Adults working with colts' teams must not change or shower at the same time, using the same facility, as young players aged under 16.
- Young players aged 10 and under must be supervised at all times in changing rooms by two members of the Cricket and Club Staff 1 of the same gender as the young players.
- Mixed gender teams must have access to separate male and female changing rooms. Normally girls having exclusive use of the 3rd XI changing room will achieve this for home matches.

Senior Matches

- Consent must be given (on a Parent's consent form available from the Club Welfare Officer) for all young players (16 or over) to play for a senior side. This provides the option of sharing changing facilities with the senior side or from opting out. Opting out recognises that some young people are uncomfortable changing or showering in public

Photography and use of video policy

The ICC is keen to promote positive images of Young People¹ playing cricket and does not ban the use of photographic or videoing equipment. However, the club is conscious that some people have used sporting events as an opportunity to take inappropriate photographs or film footage of Young People.

The club has therefore adopted the following policy:

- To ask for parental permission in writing to use their child's image. This ensures that they are aware of the way the image is to be used to represent cricket.
- To ask for the Young Cricketer's permission in writing to use his/her image. This ensures that he/she is aware of the way the image is to be used to represent cricket.
- If the Young Cricketer is named, to avoid using his/her photograph.
- If a photograph is used, to avoid naming the Young Cricketer.
- To only use images of Young Cricketers in appropriate dress, so as to reduce the risk of inappropriate use, and so as to provide positive images of the Young People in cricket.
- To encourage the reporting of inappropriate use of images of Young People to the Club Welfare Officer.

Using video as a coaching aid

- There is no intention to prevent club coaches using video equipment as a legitimate coaching aid. However, young cricketers and their parents should be aware that this is part of the coaching programme and care should be taken in the storing of such media.