



# 1. CODE OF CONDUCT FOR CRICKET CLUB MEMBERS, PARENTS AND GUESTS

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All members, parents of junior players and guests of Delph and Dobcross Cricket Club will:

- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person within the context of Cricket.
- Treat everyone equally and not discriminate on the grounds of age, gender, disability, race, ethnic origin, nationality, colour, parental or marital status, religious belief, class or social background, sexual preference or political belief.
- Not condone, or allow to go unchallenged, any form of discrimination if witnessed.
- Display high standards of behaviour.
- Behave in a considerate, reasonable and sociable way towards others, including players, coaches, volunteers, officials, other parents and members.
- Promote the positive aspects of Cricket (e.g. Fair Play)
- Encourage all participants to learn the laws and rules and play within them, respecting the decisions of match officials.
- Actively discourage unfair play, rule violations and arguing with match officials.
- Recognise good performance not just match results.
- Place the well-being and safety of young people above the development of performance.
- Ensure that activities are appropriate for the age, maturity, experience and ability of the individual.
- Respect young people's opinions when making decisions about their participation in Cricket.
- Not smoke, drink or use banned substances whilst actively working with young people in the Club.
- Not provide young people with alcohol when they are under the care of the club.
- Follow ECB guidelines set out in the 'Safe Hands – Cricket's Policy for Safeguarding Children' and any other relevant guidelines issued.
- Report any concerns in relation to a young person, following reporting procedures laid down by the ECB.

- In addition to the above, all Club Officers and appointed Volunteers will:
  - Hold relevant qualifications and be covered by appropriate insurance.
  - Always work in an open environment (i.e. avoid private or unobserved situations and encourage an open environment)
  - Inform players and parents of the requirements of Cricket.
  - Know and understand the ECB's 'Safe Hands – Cricket's Policy for Safeguarding Children'

Bullying of senior or junior players, officials, coaches, parents or guests whilst on Club premises or during Club activities will not be tolerated. Alleged offenders may be asked to leave club premises or activities whilst the matter is investigated.

Where we find that breaches of the code have arisen, we will take action to address the matter, including potential partial or total suspension of participation in activities or permanent expulsion from the Club".

Any action taken will not affect any rights to appeal.

For any welfare or safeguarding matters, please contact our Club Safeguarding Officer:

Rebecca Hunter, Club Safeguarding Officer on  
[Rebeccahunter743@icloud.com](mailto:Rebeccahunter743@icloud.com)

If the Club Safeguarding Officer is unavailable or you do not feel able to raise a matter with her, please contact:

Les Harrison on  
07504 110286 or [les.harrison@delph1.plus.com](mailto:les.harrison@delph1.plus.com)

This policy will be reviewed periodically by Delph and Dobcross Cricket Club.

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