



RCC Code of Conduct and Rules for Young Players

RCC is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the wellbeing of all its members including its young players. A young player is defined as anyone under the age of 18. RCC believes that it is important that whilst cricket should be fun and enjoyable for all our young players they should, at all times, show respect and understanding for the safety and welfare of others.

Young players are encouraged to be open at all times and to share any concerns or complaints that they may have about any aspect of the club with their Coaches, the Club Chairman, Club Welfare Officers, Cricket or Club Secretary.

This Code is in two sections for Junior Members of RCC (*Reception – U9*) and Youth Members of RCC (*U11 – U17*).

As a **Junior Member of RCC (*Reception – U9*)** you should:

- Listen to your Coach and follow their advice.
- Have respect for your fellow players and officials.
- Never use swear words, bad or abusive language.
- Never bully anyone.
- Dress smartly and appropriately.
- Be on time/never late.
- Respect the Club, other member's and other people's property.
- Treat others the way you wish to be treated.

Remember

- Never do anything that makes you feel uncomfortable.
- If you have any concerns or feel uncomfortable with others behaviour tell your coach, the Child Protection Officers, someone you trust or your parents or guardians.

Failure of **Junior Members** to follow this Code, depending on the seriousness of the offence, may result in

- Being required to apologise to team-mates, the other team, umpires, team manager or other persons
- Receiving a warning from the coach
- Receiving a written warning from the Club Committee
- Being immediately dropped or substituted
- Being suspended from training
- Not be selected for the team
- Being required to serve a suspension
- Being suspended from all Club events including social events
- Your membership being stopped for the season
- Your next year's membership and future memberships not being allowed

As a **Youth Member of RCC (*U11 – U17*)** you are expected to abide by the following Young Persons Code of Conduct:

- You must play within the rules and respect officials and their decisions.
- You must respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
- You must not bully any member, volunteer, opposition player or other person(s) including emotional, physical, racist, sexual, homophobic, verbal, cyber bullying including misuse of associated technology (such as camera and video) or the tormenting of others (e.g. hiding kit or making threatening gestures).
- You should keep to agreed timings for training and competitions or inform your coach or team manager if they are going to be late.
- You must wear suitable kit, for training and match sessions, as detailed in RCC/ECB guidance and agreed with the coach/team manager.
- Your fees for training or events must be paid promptly.
- You are not allowed to smoke on club premises or whilst representing the club at competitions.
- You are not allowed to consume alcohol or drugs of any kind on the club premises or whilst representing the club.



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Failure of **Youth Members** to follow this Code, depending on the seriousness of the offence, may result in

- Being required to apologise to team-mates, the other team, umpire, team manager or other persons
- Receiving a warning from the coach
- Receiving a written warning from the Club Committee
- Being immediately dropped or substituted
- Being suspended from training
- Not be selected for the team
- Being required to serve a suspension
- Being suspended from all Club events including social events
- Your membership being terminated
- Your next year's membership and future memberships not being renewed

If the RCC player plays for County or District Clubs further sanctions may, at the discretion of these Clubs, be imposed on these players.