



Henfield Cricket Club

Guide and Code of Conduct for Parents

We want to make sure that all our young cricketers have a safe, positive and fun experience. Cricket is a wonderful game with traditions of fair-play and good conduct that are unsurpassed in sport. We recognise our role in upholding these traditions, and the benefits that participating in sport can bring to young people, their families and the community.

Playing and Training

- Please set an example and encourage your children to follow their own Code of Conduct and Safety Rules. In particular do help them to:
 - Learn the rules and the spirit of cricket and play within them.
 - Understand about fair play – help them by recognising and applauding good performance, and respecting players on both sides.
 - Show respect by always listening to their coaches.
 - Build good relationships and team spirit within their team.
 - Always accept the umpire's decisions and don't ever show dissent.
- Do make sure that your children follow the safety guidelines strictly – **we are not allowed to let them play or train if they have inadequate equipment or inappropriate clothing.**
- Please help them to enjoy sport for their own benefit; their enjoyment comes before ours.
- Please take an active interest; children love to know that you are supporting them.
- Do offer them plenty of encouragement and praise, however they perform.

Helping things to run smoothly ...

- Please note that except for designated areas, access to the outfield during training is not permitted for reasons of safety. Please also ensure that young siblings not involved in cricket are strictly supervised on all areas of the Common and Pavilion.
- All young players under 11 must be signed in and out of the club by a parent or guardian. If the person signing in cannot collect, then the name of the person collecting must be provided when signing in. For players U11 it is requested that a parent or guardian stays at the Common for the duration of the match or session.
- If you will be late to collect you must let us know please. We can be responsible for your children only between the published hours for official cricket practice.
- Please ensure that you have arranged safe and timely transport to and from all events. Coaches and team managers are not permitted to transport young players.
- Do let the coaches know in good time if your children become unavailable for matches, so that replacements may be found.
- Do feel free to talk to your coaches about any aspect of your children's performance and development.
- Please be aware of the club's policies, especially regarding Welfare, and please work with us to ensure that cricket at Henfield is an enjoyable experience for everyone.

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