



Prestwich Cricket Club



Code of Conduct / Set of Rules for Young People

Prestwich Cricket Club is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the wellbeing of all its members. **Prestwich Cricket Club** believes that it is important that members, coaches, administrators and parents, carers or guardians associated with the club should, at all times, show respect and understanding for the safety and welfare of others.

Therefore, members 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 the Club Safeguarding Officer or the Chairman of the Club.

As a Junior Member of **Prestwich Cricket Club** you are expected to abide by the following **Junior Code of Conduct**:

- All Junior Members must play fairly, within the rules and always play to the best of their ability.
- All Junior Members must respect officials and their decisions.
- All Junior Members must respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
- All Junior Members must listen to and follow the advice of their coach or team manager.
- Junior Members should keep to agreed timings for training and competitions or inform their coach or team manager if they are going to be late.
- Junior Members must wear suitable kit –*consisting of suitable footwear, whites, pads, box, gloves and helmet*– for training and match sessions, as agreed with the coach/team manager, and always dress smartly when representing the club in all competitive matches.
- Junior Members are entitled to be safe and feel safe in the club environment, have fun and enjoy cricket and experience competition at a level at which they feel comfortable.
- Junior Members may comment and make suggestions that may benefit the club and young people, make complaints and have them dealt with in relation to abuse of any kind.

- Junior Members should not cheat, bully or use bullying tactics to isolate another member, harm team-mates, opponents or their property or spread rumours.
- Junior Members must pay any fees for training or events promptly.
- Junior Members are not allowed to smoke on club premises or whilst representing the club at competitions.
- Junior Members are not allowed to consume alcohol or drugs of any kind on the club premises or whilst representing the club.
- Junior Members should keep photos and personal information private, conduct themselves in a respectful and courteous manner on social media as they would at home, in school or at cricket and inform the Club Safeguarding Officer, or an adult that they can trust, if they are worried or concerned about online behavior or unwanted contact / communication. In addition, Junior Members should not send inappropriate text messages or post messages on social media that are offensive, nasty or derogatory in any way.
- Finally, cricket is a game that owes much of its unique appeal to the fact that it should be played not only within its laws, but also within the Spirit of the Game. Any action which is seen to abuse this Spirit causes injury to the game itself and just as importantly to your club, family and yourself.

If a breach of the provisions or principles of this Code occurs or is reasonably suspected to have occurred the Club reserves the right to take such disciplinary action as it deems appropriate, including but not limited to asking the person responsible for the breach to leave the Club premises. Any disciplinary or complaint hearings in connection with a breach of these rules shall be dealt with in accordance with the disciplinary procedure as set out in the Club constitution or Cricket Section Regulations as may be amended from time to time.