



WOODSIDE CRICKET CLUB

COACHES CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

1. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every human being

- Within the context of the activity, treat everyone equally regardless of sex, disability, ethnic origin or religion

2. Ensure the player's time spent with you is a positive experience

- All players are deserving of equal attention and opportunities

3. Treat each player as an individual

- Respect the talent, developmental stage and goals of each player
- Help each player reach their full potential

4. Be fair, considerate and honest with player

- Be consistent and open with each player to avoid the negative effects of rumour and second-hand information

5. Be professional and accept responsibility for your actions

- Display high standards in your language, manner, punctuality, preparation and presentation
- Display control, respect, dignity and professionalism to all involved with the sport - this includes opponents, coaches, captains, umpires, administrators, the media, parents and spectators

- Encourage your players to demonstrate the same qualities

6. Make a commitment to providing a quality service to your players

- Maintain or improve your current Cricket Australia NCAS accreditation
- Seek continual improvement through performance appraisal and ongoing coach education
- Provide a training program which is planned and sequential
- Maintain appropriate records
- Register with Cricket Coaches Australia

7. Operate within the rules and spirit of your sport

- Coaches should familiarise themselves with the Laws of Cricket, the Spirit of Cricket, local Playing Conditions and the Cricket Australia Junior Cricket Policy.
- They should also be aware of other Cricket Australia and State/Territory Cricket Association policies and procedures in relation to Racial & Religious Vilification, Anti-Doping, Pregnancy, Anti-Harassment, Privacy, etc
- Coaches should educate their players in these areas

8. Any physical contact with player should be:

- appropriate to the situation
- necessary for the player's skill development
- Cricket Australia supports all junior coaches being police and reference checked (required by law in South Australia)

9. Refrain from any form of personal abuse towards your players

- This includes verbal, physical and emotional abuse, including on social media
- Be alert to any forms of abuse directed toward your players from other sources while they are in your care

10. Refrain from any form of harassment towards your players

- This includes sexual and racial harassment, racial vilification and harassment on the grounds of disability
- You should not only refrain from initiating a relationship with a player, but should also discourage any attempt by a player to initiate a sexual relationship with you, explaining the ethical basis of your refusal
- avoid any time where you are alone with a player

- private meetings and 1 on 1 coaching should be in open view of other players or parents

11. Provide a safe environment for training and competition

- Ensure equipment and facilities meet safety standards
- Ensure equipment, rules, training and the environment are appropriate for the age and ability of the player

12. Show concern and caution toward sick and injured players

- Provide a modified training program where appropriate
- Allow further participation in training and competition only when appropriate
- Encourage players to seek medical advice when required
- Maintain the same interest and support toward sick and injured players

13. Be a positive role model for your sport and players

- Coaches need to be aware that they play a most significant role in the lives of their players, particularly junior players

14. Coaches are responsible for the players until they are picked up from training or competition

- Coaches should wait with a child until they are picked up
- Coaches should make every effort to contact a parent if they don't arrive to pick up the child
- Coaches should avoid giving a child a ride home

15. Coaches should be aware of the problems of social media

- it should be used in a positive and constructive way to communicate with players
- be aware it is for all to see and players may interpret messages differently to the coach
- Coaches should avoid taking in-appropriate photos of players

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