

# Northwood Cricket Club – Code of Conduct for Members & Guests



Members and Guests of Northwood Cricket Club are required to abide by the provisions of this Code of Conduct and any subsequent updates. By their participation in matches, club events or activities or by their presence on club premises, they are deemed to have accepted and agreed to abide by the provisions of this Code and any other relevant Codes of Conduct, Rules or Regulations the Club has adopted.

**Whenever they are representing or supporting the club, all Members and Guests of Northwood 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 and refrain from swearing or using bad language in situations in which this would be inappropriate and reflect badly on the Club's reputation.
- \* Promote the positive aspects of cricket, for example fair play
- \* Encourage all participants to learn the Laws and Rules and play within them, always 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 children above the development of their performance
- \* Ensure activities are appropriate for the age, maturity, experience and ability of the individual
- \* Respect children's opinions when making decisions about their participation in cricket
- \* Not smoke, drink or use banned substances while working with children in the club
- \* Not provide children with alcohol when they are under the care of the club
- \* Comply with Northwood Cricket Club's Safeguarding Policy and associated procedures. This policy follows ECB guidelines set out in the "Safe Hands – Cricket's Policy for Safeguarding Children"
- \* Report any concerns in relation to the welfare of a child to the Club Welfare Officer

Adult and Youth Section playing members of the Club must also comply with the relevant Code of Conduct for Playing Members that has been issued to them and is available on the club website.

If a breach of the provisions or principles of this Code or other relevant Codes, Rules or Regulations occurs, or is reasonably suspected to have occurred, the Club reserves the right to take such 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 as may be amended from time to time.

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Keith Watson, Chairman Northwood Cricket Club

23.3.2015  
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Date

Members and guests include all members and officers of the cricket club and all guests of those members and officers, as well as all parents/guardians, relatives and friends of Youth Section members, who watch/attend/participate/officiate in matches, coaching, net sessions or social gatherings where Northwood Cricket Club is participating.