



DUNSTABLE TOWN CRICKET CLUB

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION: Code of Conduct for Parents, Guardians & Supporters

As a parent of a child taking part in our club or activity, we'd like you to:

The essentials

- Read the ECB Code of Conduct within the Policies section of DTCC's website and discussed relevant sections with your son/daughter.
- Make appropriate and timely travel arrangements for your child for away matches, as this is not the club's responsibility. We would like to make you aware that this still applies in the case that your child is selected to play in a senior team at weekends. (Any transport arrangements are a private arrangement between you as parents and the driver, for which the club takes no responsibility).
- Make sure your child has the right kit for the session as well as enough food and drink.
- Try to make sure your child arrives to sessions on time and is picked up promptly; or let us know if you're running late or if your child is going home with someone else. When dropping off your child, please don't leave until the coaches arrive.
- Complete all consent, contact and medical forms and update us straight away if anything changes.
- Make sure your child wears any protective kit we provide for them.
- Maintain a good relationship with your child's coach or trainer and catch up with them as much as you can about your child's development.
- Talk to us if you have any concerns about any part of your child's involvement - we want to hear from you.

Behaviour

- Try and learn about your child's sport and what means to them. Take the time to talk to your child about what you both want to achieve through sport and above all else, support your child's involvement and help them enjoy their sport.
- Remember that children get a wide range of benefits from participating in sport, like making friends, getting exercise, and developing skills. It's not all about wins and losses. Never punish or belittle a child for losing or making mistakes and help them recognise good performance regardless of the result.
- Listen when your child says they don't want to do something and never force them to take part in sport.
- Set a good example by behaving positively on the sidelines, recognise fair play and applaud good performance - shout encouragement, say "Well done" and let the children know you're proud of what they're doing.
- Think about how the way you react and behave affects not just your child but other children too, especially when it comes to the use of inappropriate language.
- Encourage your child to respect and celebrate differences in the club.
- Accept the official's judgment and do not enter the field of play.
- Use social media responsibly when talking about what goes on at our club, by behaving in the same way online as you would in person.
- Talk to your child about embracing good etiquette and sportsmanship, discouraging unfair play and arguing with officials. Encourage your child to play by the rules and play within them.
- Ensure that your child understands their code of conduct.

As a parent, we understand you have the right to:

- Be assured that your child is safeguarded during their time with us.
- See any of our policies and procedures at any time.
- Know who the welfare officer responsible for your child is and have their contact details.
- Be involved and contribute towards decisions within the club or activity.



- Know what training and qualifications our staff have.
- Be informed of problems or concerns relating to your child.
- Know what happens if there's an accident or injury, be informed if your child is injured and see records of any accidents.
- Have your consent sought for anything outside of our initial consent form.
- Have any concerns about any aspect of your child's welfare listened to and responded to.

We expect all parents to follow the behaviours and requests set out in this code. If any parent behaves in a way which contradicts any of the points set out above, we'll address the problem straight away with the parent and aim to resolve the issue.

Persistent concerns or breaches may result in parents being asked not to attend games if their attendance is considered a risk to the welfare and enjoyment of young participants.

Continued issues and repeated breaches of this code may result in us regrettably asking your child to leave the activity, event or club permanently, something we never want to do.