



Registered Charity 1165948

Berkshire Cricket

Parent / Carer Code of Conduct

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Berkshire Cricket is firmly and enthusiastically committed to continuing to provide an environment that is safe, welcoming and friendly for children and for all people to enjoy the game of cricket.

Note: Where we refer to “parents” we mean parents and carers inclusively. The term “children” or “child” describes any person under the age of 18.

As a parent of a child taking part in Berkshire Cricket activities we would like you to:

Essentials

- Make sure your child has the right kit, food and drink for the session or match
- Make sure your child arrives to sessions/matches on time and is picked up promptly – inform us if you are running late or your child is going home with someone else
- Complete all consent, contact and medical forms, and update us if anything changes
- Make sure your child wears any protective equipment provided or required
- Be respectful of everyone participating (coaches, staff, volunteers, officials, young people, parents and other teams and staff)
- Build and maintain a relationship with your child’s coach – have check ins to support 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

- Take time to talk to your child about cricket and what they want to achieve while taking part

- Listen to your child if they say they don't want to do something and ask them why – sudden changes in behaviour could indicate something bigger is going on
- Behave positively and encourage your child and their peers
- Let your child know you are proud of them
- Talk to your child about embracing sportsmanship and the Spirit of Cricket
- Encourage your child to play by the Laws of the game
- Ensure your child understands their code of conduct (where applicable)
- Respect and accept the official's judgement and do not enter the field of play or other restricted areas (e.g. changing rooms and practise areas)
- Use social media and apps responsibly when communicating on Berkshire Cricket channels, in line with our code of conduct and policies
- 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

As a parent we understand that you have a right to:

- Be assured your child is safeguarded during their time with Berkshire Cricket
- See any of our policies and procedures at any time
- Know who the Safeguarding Manager is and have their contact details
- Be involved and contribute towards decisions within Berkshire Cricket
- Know what training and qualifications Berkshire Cricket staff have
- Be informed of problems or concerns that involve or affect your child
- Know what happens if there is an accident or injury and how this will be dealt with
- Be informed if your child is injured and see records of any incidents
- Have your consent sought for anything outside of our initial consent form
- Have any concerns you may raise listened and responded to

Berkshire Cricket 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 Berkshire Cricket will address the problem and aim to resolve the issue promptly.

Persistent concerns or breaches may result in parents being asked not to attend games if their attendance is considered a risk to our young participants, staff, volunteers, parents and impact on other's enjoyment.

Continued issues and repeated breaches of this code may result in Berkshire Cricket regrettably asking the parent's child to leave Berkshire Cricket activities, something we never want to do.