



# Suburbs New Lynn CRICKET CLUB

## Code of Conduct/Spirit of Cricket Policy

Based on the Auckland Cricket Association 'Spirit of Cricket' Expectations

“The spirit of cricket is, of course, about the behaviour of players on the field – acceptance of decisions, respect for one another, integrity. But is also about an enthusiasm for the game; not just aggression but also to share a sense of fun. And fun is what life is all about.” Martin Crowe, MCC Cowdrey lecture 2006.

## SNLCC Junior Spirit of Cricket Expectations

### Players

- Follow and participate according to the rules of the game, your club and ACA competition.
- Display sportsmanship and teamwork, treat all players as you would like to be treated.
- Acknowledge good performance by both teammates and opposition.
- Cooperate and show respect for the coach, your team, opposition, officials, and parents.
- Never argue and always accept the decision of the officials.
- Play hard, play fair - avoid being inappropriately competitive. Always control your temper!
- Be courteous in communications with players, coaches, and administrators. Do not disagree with an umpire or official in public during the game.
- Be proud to walk off the ground after each game knowing that you have given your best effort.

### Coaches and Managers

- All team officials shall agree to take positive steps to maintain the high reputation of SNLCC.
- It is the responsibility of the coach and manager to make sure the match is conducted within the Spirit of Cricket policy of SNLCC.
- Remember children are involved in cricket for their own enjoyment rather than the adults.
- Lead by example and display good sportsmanship for children to copy.
- Acknowledge good performance by the players in both teams.
- Focus on effort, skill development and performance rather than the outcome of the game.
- Be familiar with the laws of cricket, and abide by the Auckland Cricket rules and playing conditions of the competition you are taking part in.
- Encourage everyone participating in junior cricket - avoid overplaying the talented players - the 'just average' players need and deserve equal time.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from Junior and sporting activities.
- The scheduling and length of practice times and competitions should take into consideration the maturity level of players. If in doubt, ask your age group convener.

### Parents/Supporters

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- Remember children are involved in cricket for their enjoyment rather than the adults.
- Praise children for the good things rather than criticize for the mistakes or losing the game.
- Lead by example and display good sportsmanship for children to copy.
- Acknowledge good performance by the players in both teams.
- Be courteous in communications with players, coaches, and administrators. Do not disagree with an umpire or official in public during the game. Should you wish to raise an issue do so via your team manager or coach after the game.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from Junior and sporting activities.

Remember you wear the SNLCC uniform, and your behaviour is a representation of our club, demonstrate your pride, by always playing in the Spirit of Cricket

## SNLCC Senior Cricket – Code of Conduct, Spirit of Cricket Expectations

### Players

- Follow and participate according to the rules of the game, your club and ACA competition.
- Display sportsmanship and teamwork, treat all players as you would like to be treated.
- Acknowledge good performance by both teammates and opposition.
- Cooperate and show respect for the coach, your team, opposition, officials whether they be Auckland appointed or a Playing official.
- Never argue and always accept the decision of the officials.
- Play hard, play fair - avoid being inappropriately competitive. Always control your temper!
- Be courteous in communications with players, coaches, and administrators. Do not disagree with an umpire or official in public during the game.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from Senior Cricket.
- Avoid use of derogative language, based on gender, race or religion.
- Ensure that all players can compete in a safe and happy environment free of any type of harassment.
- Shall be no consumption of alcohol or illegal substances at any time in any matches.
- Smoking/vaping is not permitted while actively engaged in a game.

### Coaches and Managers

- All team officials shall agree to take positive steps to maintain the high reputation of SNLCC.
- It is the responsibility of the coach and manager to make sure the match is conducted within the Spirit of Cricket policy of SNLCC.
- As a senior member of the team lead by example and display good sportsmanship for others to emulate.
- Acknowledge good performance by the players in both teams.
- Be familiar with the laws of cricket, and abide by the Auckland Cricket rules and playing conditions of the competition you are taking part in.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from Junior and sporting activities

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