



Salfords Cricket Club Code of Conduct

Safeguarding

All members are to adhere to the club welfare policies in regards to Safeguarding, if you have any concerns regard welfare of an individual please contact the Club Welfare Officer (see contacts section). All policies related to safeguarding can be found on the clubs website (www.salfordsc.co.uk) or on the notice board within the club.

Spirit of Cricket

Cricket is a game that owes much of its unique appeal to the fact that it should be played not only within its Laws but also within the Spirit Of The Game. Any action which is seen to abuse this spirit causes injury to the game itself. The major responsibility for ensuring the spirit of fair play rests with the captains.

There are two Laws which place responsibility for the team's conduct firmly on the captain.

RESPONSIBILITY OF CAPTAINS

The captains are responsible at all times for ensuring that play is conducted within the Spirit of the Game as well as within the Laws.

PLAYERS CONDUCT

In the event of a player failing to comply with instructions by an umpire, or by criticising by word or by action the decision of an umpire, or showing dissent, or generally behaving in a manner which might bring the game into dispute, the umpire concerned shall in the first place report the matter to the other umpire and the player's captain, and instruct the latter to take action.

FAIR AND UNFAIR PLAY

According to the Laws the umpires are the sole judges of fair and unfair play.

The umpires may intervene at any time and it is the responsibility of the captain to take action where required.

THE UMPIRES ARE AUTHORISED TO INTERVENE IN CASES OF;

- Time wasting
- Damaging the pitch
- Dangerous or unfair bowling
- Tampering with the ball
- Any other action they consider to be unfair

THE SPIRIT OF THE GAME INVOLVES RESPECT FOR;

- Your opponents
- Your own captain
- The roles of the umpires
- The game's traditional values



IT IS AGAINST THE SPIRIT OF THE GAME;

- To dispute an umpire's decision by word, action or gesture
- To direct abusive language towards an opponent or umpire
- To indulge in cheating or sharp practice, eg;
 - (a) to appeal knowing the batsman is not out
 - (b) to advance towards an umpire in an aggressive manner when appealing
 - (c) to seek to distract an opponent either verbally or by harassment with persistent clapping or unnecessary noise under the guise of enthusiasm and motivation of one's own side

VIOLENCE

There is no place for any act of violence on the field of play.

PLAYERS

Captains and umpires together set the tone for the conduct of a cricket match. Each player is expected to make an important contribution towards this.

Salfords Cricket Club Committee will ensure that the cricket played in a safe, competitive, fair and sporting manner. The Committee have the powers to punish offending individuals who do not abide by this code of conduct.

Transgressions in the following categories will be addressed by the Committee:-

Players

Failing to comply with the instructions of an umpire, criticising his decision by word or action, showing dissent, using abusive language, or generally behaving in a manner which might bring the Game and/or name of Salfords CC into disrepute.

Accumulated Bad Behaviour

Repeated infringements by an individual of the Spirit of the Game (Where it is decided that each infringement in itself does not merit any immediate disciplinary action). Repeated infringements by a team are likely to result in the captain being held responsible for the conduct of his team (whether or not individual players are also identified for disciplinary action). When issuing the penalty the Committee may take into account any previous instances of previous indiscipline, particularly where the on the field captain is the same. Captains must understand their responsibility for on the field behaviour of themselves and also their team members.

Violence

There is no place for any act of violence on the field of play or at any other time. Proven cases of violent conduct will result in immediate expulsion from the club.

Racial Abuse

Players and team officials must not make any racially abusive comments or indulge in racially abusive actions against fellow players, members and supporters.

Club Members and Supporters

Non playing members and supporters are the responsibility of the club and any cases of misconduct will be dealt with by the Committee.