

BOX HILL REPORTER DISTRICT CRICKET ASSOCIATION



CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

It is to be hoped that all games will be conducted in the true spirit of the game of cricket. Cricket is a game of skills associated with knowledge of the rules. However skills and knowledge are only part of the pleasure to be derived from playing the game.

Attitude and sportsmanship are vital ingredients

To achieve this, managers and captains are to adopt and enforce the following code of behaviour.

- 1. That in-going and out-going batsmen cross on the field of play.
- 2. That bowlers return to the start of their run-up quickly, and are ready to bowl without wasting time.
- 3. Insist on players maintaining a standard of dress commensurate with the game's traditions, and that team and individual equipment is serviceable and well maintained.
- 4. Encouraging players to respect the umpires by accepting decisions without dissent and, if possible, to honestly assist umpires in the making of difficult decisions.
- 5. Co-operating with the opposing captain and both umpires in the "running" of the game which includes preparation of the pitch and surrounds for play.
- 6. Thoroughly and firmly briefing their teams spelling out what is expected of them in terms of behaviour, both on, and off the field.
- 7. That all fieldsmen move quickly between overs and whenever required to change position.
- 8. That the setting or changing of the field is undertaken without wasting time.
- 9. Be always courteous to the umpires.
- 10. Players must not dispute or react in a disapproving manner, either towards an umpire, his decision, or generally after an umpiring decision is given.
- 11. When given out walk quickly from the crease, do not dawdle off the field or indulge in ill-mannered tantrums.
- 12. Avoid making unnecessary and uncomplimentary remarks to opponents.
- 13. Remember that the visiting team and the umpires are guests and should be treated as such.
- 14. In making his report to the Association on umpires the captain should be constructive and not be influenced by a win or loss or a bad decision.

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GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP IS PART OF THE GAME OF CRICKET