

# Trinity Willison Cricket Club

## Code of Conduct

The Trinity Willison Cricket Club has a commitment to promote cricket in a dignified manner, maintaining a competitive spirit within the bounds of sportsmanship and always with respect for teammates, opponents and officials. The club wishes to encourage participation of players, potential players, family and friends.

In order to achieve this, the way we conduct ourselves, both on and off the field, must not damage or endanger our club's reputation or the relationships held between players, officials, supporters and opposition clubs.

This code of conduct has been written to ensure all Club Members are aware of their responsibilities in relation to behaviour and conduct, both on and off the field of play.

The following standards must be met by all Club Members:

- Captains are responsible at all times for ensuring that play is conducted within the spirit of the game as well as the Laws of Cricket;
- Be honest and supportive of your coach, captain, selection committee and colleagues in regard to training, injury, team selection and decision making issues;
- Respect club facilities and equipment, treat them in the same manner you would treat your own equipment and home;
- Ensure that both on and off field behaviour is consistent with the principles of good sportsmanship. Swearing is not acceptable;
- Do not abuse, dispute or react in an obviously provocative or disappointing manner towards an umpire. If you disagree with an umpire's decision, have your captain approach the umpire at an appropriate time (*Note: "Umpire" includes any person acting as an umpire*);
- Do not make pointless or ridiculous appeals, prolonged appeals or rush at an umpire in hope of pressuring and influencing an umpire's decision;
- Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials and sledging other players, deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent are not acceptable or permitted behaviours;
- Accept responsibility and be accountable for your actions, in a sporting, social and community sense;
- Remember that visiting teams are guests and should be treated as such;
- The use of derogatory language based on gender or race is unacceptable;
- There is no place for any act of violence on or off the field of play;
- No drugs or alcohol shall be consumed by a player on or off the ground, during any match.

The Trinity Willison Cricket Club is a great club with a long and successful history. By setting and following this Code of Conduct, the club aims to maintain an environment that will retain players for the long term, encourage involvement of family, friends and past players and set a standard that is the envy of all clubs in the Eastern Cricket Association.

The Club Executive have endorsed, support and are committed to this Code of Conduct. In the event of a breach of this code, disciplinary action may result. Any disciplinary action will be set by the Club Executive and will be made with the greater good of the team and club in mind.