



Isle of Wight County Age Group (CAG) and Emerging Player Programme (EPP) - Player Code of Conduct

The Isle of Wight Cricket Board (IWCB) is committed to creating a safe, respectful, and supportive environment for all players. We believe that cricket should be enjoyable, inclusive, and empowering – both on and off the field. As part of our County Programme, we ask players, coaches, parents, carers, and volunteers to work together to uphold these values and prioritise the wellbeing of every participant.

If you ever have concerns or feel unsure about any aspect of your experience, please speak openly with your County Age Group Coach or County Safeguarding Officer – we're here to listen and help.

As a CAG or EPP player, you agree to:

- ✓ Play fairly, follow the rules, and respect match officials and their decisions.
- ✓ Treat everyone with kindness and respect – regardless of ability, background, identity, or beliefs. Always encourage and support your teammates.
- ✓ Never engage in bullying, humiliation, or behaviour that ridicules others.
- ✓ Arrive on time for training and matches or let your coach know if you're running late.
- ✓ Represent the county with pride, showing excellent behaviour on and off the field and always upholding the 'Spirit of Cricket'.
- ✓ Wear the IW cricket kit for all training and match sessions, and use appropriate protective gear (helmet, box, gloves, pads) when using a hard ball, as agreed with your coach.
- ✓ Follow the ECB guidelines on social media use, especially when posting about CAG cricket.
- ✓ Keep other players' contact details, photos, and videos private – never share them online or with others.
- ✓ Refrain from consuming alcohol or drugs while representing an Under 18 CAG team at training, matches, or on tour.
- ✓ Avoid contacting coaches directly via email, text, Spond, or phone – speak to them in person or through a parent/carer.
- ✓ Always use respectful language – foul, abusive, or inappropriate words are not acceptable.
- ✓ Compete with focus and determination but never use intimidation or aggression to distract opponents.
- ✓ Celebrate achievements – yours, your teammates', and your opponents; Show good sportsmanship and avoid mocking others' mistakes.
- ✓ Uphold the Player Values outlined in the IWCB Player Charter.
- ✓ Do not smoke or vape on club or county premises or while representing the IWCB if you are representing an Under 18 CAG team.



- ✓ Commit to improving your cricket skills and reaching your full potential, whatever your current level. Behaviours that hold you or others back are not acceptable.

The IWCB fully endorses and adheres to the ECB's General Conduct Regulations for Recreational Cricket. All players are expected to uphold the standards outlined within these regulations at all times.

Any breach of the Conduct Obligations will be addressed in accordance with the ECB's recommended disciplinary procedures. Disciplinary action may include, but is not limited to:

- A formal warning
- Suspension from matches and/or training sessions
- Removal from the programme in cases of repeated or serious misconduct.

These measures are in place to maintain a respectful, inclusive and professional environment for all participants.

By signing below, you confirm that you understand and agree to follow this Code of Conduct as a proud representative of the Isle of Wight Cricket Board.

Signed (Player / Parent as applicable): _____

Print Name (Player): _____

Age Group: _____ Date: _____

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