



## Middlesex Cricket - Code of Conduct for Parents / Guardians & Guests

All Parents / Guardians and Guests will:

- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person within the context of cricket.
- Treat everyone equally and not discriminate on the grounds of age, ability, gender, gender expression, race, religion, belief, sexual orientation or socio-economic background have the right to enjoy the game in an environment safe from abuse and harm of any kind:
- Not condone, or allow to go unchallenged, any form of discrimination if witnessed.
- Display high standards of behaviour at all times.
- Promote the positive aspects of cricket, e.g. Spirit of Cricket & fair play.
- Encourage all participants to learn the rules, play within them and respect the decisions of match officials.
- Actively discourage unfair play, rule violations and arguing with match officials.
- Recognise good performance; not just match results.
- Encourage player development through implicit learning, embracing the role that failure can play in a player's self-awareness, skill acquisition and decision making.
- Place the wellbeing and safety of young people above the development of performance.
- Ensure the activities are appropriate for the age, maturity, experience and ability of the individual.
- Respect young people's opinions when making decisions about their participation in cricket.
- Sit away from the players when requested by coaching staff and match officials during matches.
- Not to smoke in the vicinity of children, drink excessive alcohol or use banned substances whilst at Middlesex Cricket events.
- Not provide young people with alcohol, nicotine or banned substances when they are engaged in Middlesex Cricket activities.
- Follow ECB guidelines set out in "*Safe Hands - Cricket's policy for Safeguarding*" and any other relevant guidelines issued.
- Report any concerns in relation to a young person to the Middlesex County Safeguarding Officer - Sharon Evers at [safeguarding@middlesexccc.com](mailto:safeguarding@middlesexccc.com) or 07557 956354.