



# Ballarat Cricket Association

## Junior Players Code of Conduct

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### Preamble

Cricket is a game that owes much of its unique appeal to the fact that it is to be played not only within the laws, but also within the spirit of the game. Any action seen as abusing this spirit cause's injury to the game itself

Embracing the spirit of the game means participating fairly, exhibiting respect for other players and officials and the game's traditional values such as graciousness in defeat and humility in victory

The following rules and code of conduct for players selected to represent the Ballarat Cricket Association are in harmony with those of both Cricket Australia and Cricket Victoria.

The purpose of this document is to make all prospective players fully aware of the standards of behaviour required by the Ballarat Cricket Association and are designed to protect the players, the reputation of the Association in the Ballarat district and the integrity of the game of cricket.

### Laws of Cricket and spirit of the game

- Players must obey the Laws of Cricket and play within the spirit of the game.

### Unbecoming behaviour

- Players must not at any time engage in behaviour unbecoming to another player or official that could bring the game of cricket into disrepute or be harmful to the interests of cricket. This rule also applies to off field behaviour, inclusive of both the trials and pre-competition phase and championships.

### Intimidation of umpires and dissent

- Players must not engage in behaviour intended to intimidate the umpire and must accept the Umpires decision without dissent.

### Crude or abusive behaviour and racial or religious vilification

- Players and officials must not use crude or abusive language or make crude or abusive gestures
- A player who is participating in a match or training under the jurisdiction or auspices of the Ballarat Cricket Association will not engage in any conduct, act towards or speak to any other player or official in a manner which offends, insults, humiliates, intimidates, threatens, disparages or vilifies the other player or official on the basis of that person's race, religion, colour, descent, national or ethnic origin.

### Participant acceptance

Each participant agrees to be bound by the rules as stated above and understand that any breach of these conditions will contravene Ballarat Cricket Association and Cricket Victoria rules and be subject to an official report to the Pennant Committee of the Ballarat Cricket Association in accordance with Section 3 (Reports) of the Cricket Australia.