

## **CODE OF CONDUCT**

All individuals involved in sport (players, coaches, managers, umpires and supporters) will, at all times:

- Respect the spirit of fair play. This is more than playing within the rules. It also incorporates the concepts of friendship, respect for others and always participating with the right spirit.
- Never use foul, sexist, abusive, racist or any prejudicial language or tolerate it from players and/or officials. Report any breaches immediately.
- Protect others involved in the game from verbal or physical abuse and threatening or intimidating behaviour. Never use inappropriate language or gestures. In extreme cases captains and managers should feel empowered to remove their team from the field of play if they are concerned for players' physical or mental wellbeing.
- Remember that people learn best by example. Appreciate good performances and skilful play by all participants.
- Encourage people always to settle disagreements amicably without resorting to hostility or violence.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of others.
- Respect umpires, officials, coaches, players and spectators. Conduct yourself in a manner that takes all reasonable measures to protect your own safety and the safety of others.
- Do not dispute decisions and the only player who ever speaks to an umpire should be the captain.
- Never participate when under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Promote the reputation of the sport and take all possible steps to prevent it from being brought into disrepute.
- Accept success and failure, victory and defeat, with equal dignity.
- Welcome opposing teams and supporters before, during and after the match and shake hands with players and officials and offer three cheers.
- Set a positive example for others, particularly young participants and spectators.
- Abide by Trojans Safeguarding Policies.
- Take personal responsibility to ensure that you are suitably insured for the activities.
- Show an appreciation for volunteer managers, coaches, officials and administrators – their efforts contribute hugely to players of all ages being able to participate.
- Inform the team coach, manager, captain or, if there is one, another member of a management team of any new or changed injury, health or welfare issue which you consider is appropriate for them to know.
- Promote the reputation of the sport and take all possible steps to prevent it from being brought into disrepute.