## WAYBACK CRICKET CLUB CODES OF CONDUCT

## **COACHES/CAPTAINS**

- Be reasonable in your demands on players' time and enthusiasm.
- Reinforce to your players that the Laws of Cricket and the roles of umpires are to be respected at all times.
- Remember that players participate for fun and enjoyment and that winning is only part of their reason for playing. Never ridicule or yell at a player for making mistakes or losing a game.
- Junior coaches should take into consideration the maturity level of players and be aware that players need and deserve equal opportunity.
- Develop team respect for the ability of opponents, as well as for the judgement of officials, umpires and opposing coaches/captains.
- Condemn verbal and physical abuse in ANY form, be it by spectators, coaches, officials or players.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

## PARENTS/SPECTATORS

- Only encourage players/children to participate in cricket if they are interested.
- Remember that players are involved in cricket for their enjoyment, not yours.
- Set an example by encouraging players to play by the rules and to respect officials and umpire's decisions at all times.
- Parents are to focus on the child's effort and performance, rather than winning or losing.
- Never ridicule or yell at a player, particularly a junior player for making a mistake or losing a game.
- Players, particularly junior players learn best by example. Acknowledge good performances by all
  participants.
- Condemn verbal and physical abuse in ANY form, be it by spectators, coaches, officials or players.
- Show appreciation and respect for volunteers, coaches, umpires and administrators. Without them players would not be able to participate.
- Do not use foul language or harass players, coaches, captains or umpires.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

## **PLAYERS**

- Play by the rules. This includes the Laws of the game and the rules of your club.
- Never argue with an umpire/official. If you disagree, then have your captain or coach approach the umpire/official during a break or after the game.
- Work equally hard for yourself and your team. Your team's performance will benefit and so will you.
- Condemn verbal and physical abuse in ANY form, be it by spectators, coaches, officials or players.
- Control your temper. Abuse of umpires, opposition players and/or equipment will not be tolerated.
   Sledging other players and deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent is not acceptable.

- Show good sportsmanship at all times.
- Be prepared to take responsibility for your own actions.
- Treat all participants as you would like to be treated. Do not interfere with, bully or take unfair advantage of another player.
- Cooperate with your coach, captain, team mates and opponents. Without them, there would be no competition.
- Foul and insulting language will not be tolerated.
- Participate for your own enjoyment and benefit, not just to please parents, coaches, captains and club officials.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.