

## Players Code of Conduct

Aston Manor CC Players' Code of Conduct - SEASON 2024

As a member of Aston Manor CC, you represent not only yourself but also our club, both on and off the field. To maintain the club's reputation and uphold the spirit of the game, all players are expected to adhere to the following code of conduct. This code outlines your responsibilities, accountability, and the importance of financial commitments.

## Responsibilities and Professionalism:

- 1. On-field Behaviour:
  - a. Show respect for opponents, teammates, officials, and spectators at all times.
  - b. Play the game fairly, adhering to the laws of cricket and the spirit of sportsmanship.
  - c. Do not engage in any form of dissent, sledging, or unsporting behaviour.
- 2. Off-field Conduct:
  - a. You respect and adhere to the team you have been selected to play for, even if this is not your preferred choice, you are representing Aston Manor at every level.
  - b. Behave in a manner that reflects positively on the club, both in person and on social media.
  - c. Avoid any behaviour that may bring the club into disrepute, including but not limited to inappropriate language, excessive alcohol consumption, and any illegal activities.
  - d. Any member/player seen or caught consuming any types of drugs (of any class) will be subject to being banned from the club indefinitely or as seen appropriate by the committee and no fees will be refunded.
- 3. Training, Net Attendance and Commitment:
  - a. Attend regular training sessions and practices as scheduled by the team. Every Player has a duty to attend net sessions 1st, 2nd or 3rds
  - b. You acknowledge that a register with all attendees will be taken on the day of nets/training.
  - c. Make a genuine effort to improve your skills and fitness levels.
  - d. Recognise that missing 3 consecutive net sessions or training sessions may affect your selection for matches. If you have valid reasons for absence, communicate them in advance to the team management.
  - e. Communicate promptly with team management regarding availability for matches and training.
- 4. Conflict Resolution:
  - a. If you have concerns or issues within the club, including team selections or any other matters, refrain from gossiping or spreading rumours. Instead, approach a member of the club committee or the team captain to address the problems directly and constructively.
- 5. Respect for Facilities:
  - a. Treat Aston Manor's club's facilities, grounds, and equipment with care and respect. Report any damage or maintenance issues promptly to the club's management/committee or coaches.
- 6. Health and Safety:
  - a. Prioritise your own safety and the safety of others during practice sessions and matches. Report any safety concerns to the club's management/committee or coaches.
- 7. Coach and Umpire Respect:
  - a. Importance of showing respect to coaches, umpires, and match officials. Accept decisions with grace, avoiding confrontations.

- 8. Environmental Responsibility:
  - a. Promote environmental responsibility by encouraging players to dispose of trash properly, reduce waste, and respect natural surroundings when using indoor or outdoor facilities.
- 9. Anti-Discrimination and Inclusion:
  - a. Promote diversity, inclusion, and refrain from unfair treatment of all individuals, regardless of their race, gender, age, religion, or background. Report any incidents of discrimination or harassment immediately to the club's committee.
- 10. Uniform and Dress Code:
  - a. Adhere to the club's uniform and dress code policies, ensuring that you are wearing the official club kit clothing & present a neat and professional appearance while representing the club.

## Financial Commitments:

- 11. Membership & Match Fees:
  - a. Ensure your annual membership fees are paid on time, as specified by the club each season, unless any type of exemptions has been afforded to you.
- 12. Match Fees:
  - a. Pay match fees for each game promptly, as directed by the club, to cover expenses and ensure the smooth running of matches.
  - b. Communicate in advance if you anticipate any issues with meeting match fee deadlines.
- 13. Playing particulars:
  - a. Minimum of 10 games must be played (or you have made yourself available for) in your first year (if you transfer in from another club or new to AMCC). If you have not been selected for your usual team (1sts, 2nds or 3rds) and refuse to play for another one of the Aston Manor teams as directed by the selection committee you will be in breach of the Responsibilities and Professionalism section of this code of conduct at Aston Manor which could result in you being unable to transfer to another club should you intend to for the season in question.

## Accountability and Consequences:

- 14. Compliance Failure to adhere to this code of conduct may result in disciplinary action by the club committee, including but not limited to:
  - a. Verbal or written warnings.
  - b. Suspension from participating in matches and/or training sessions for a specified period.
  - c. Expulsion from the club.
- 15. Reporting Violations:
  - a. Players are encouraged to report any violations of this code to the club management or committee.
- 16. Appeals:
  - a. Players have the right to appeal disciplinary actions. Appeals must be submitted in writing to the club committee within 7 days of receiving the disciplinary decision.
- 17. Repeat Offenses:
  - a. Repeated violations of this code may result in more severe consequences, including longer suspensions or permanent expulsion from the club.

By signing below, you acknowledge your commitment to upholding the values and standards outlined in this Players' Code of Conduct. Remember that your conduct not only reflects upon you as an individual but also upon our cricket club as a whole. Let's work together to create a positive and successful environment for all members.

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