

Code of Conduct

1. **INFORMATION**

Please ensure at the beginning, and during the season – if changes to your name, address, telephone number etc. take place, that you notify the Club Secretary

2. **CONTACT INFORMATION**

Please ensure that you have an up-to-date list of the Coach and the Committee's telephone numbers at the beginning of each season. It is your responsibility to notify the Coach/Secretary/Team Manager for non-attendance at training, matches, tournaments etc. You must also ensure that any details you have provided on SPOND or Clubright are up to date.

3. **FEES**

All Club membership fees must be paid monthly by direct debit by purchasing a membership through Clubright. Fees are charged annually as per clubright information, collected over a 12 month period. If a member cancels their direct debit their membership will be deemed cancelled. If the player wishes to rejoin the club they will be added to the waiting list until a place becomes available. Any ad-hoc payments shall be paid by bank transfer directly into the club account. You will not be able to train if your account is not up to date.

4. **FIXTURES**

If you are a member of a team your team captain or Team Manager will have a list of fixtures, and they will be available on SPOND invites. Fixtures are also available on the websites for each league. Do not rely on others - it is your responsibility to know when you are playing.

5. **DISCIPLINE**

It is important for players to adopt personal discipline on and off the court, in training and in matches. It does nothing for you or the Club's image to show dissent towards Umpires or the opposition whether they are right or wrong. Your attitude should be to 'get on with the game', regain concentration and show others what skill and discipline are all about.

6. **CRITICISM & SOCIAL MEDIA**

It is detrimental to you, your team, and the Club as a whole, when players criticise one another. This is a team game and everyone makes mistakes. Support for each other is what makes a good team – a very good team! Use appropriate language at

all times, during training, match play and post-match. To include commentary on social media, to ensure club and team spirit is represented in a positive manner.

7. TEAMS

Team will be organised as far as possible on a Club training night by the Club Coach/Team Captain & will be managed by a Team Manager or Team Captain.

8. TRAINING

One of the unwritten Club Rules is that if you do not attend training without a good reason and without notification then you will be ineligible to play in the forthcoming match. However, when a key position is required i.e. a shooter – and teams cannot play without one, then it may be necessary to adapt this rule for the benefit of the team. This situation should not arise as players improve their ability to play a number of positions. Players who attend on a regular basis will be chosen above those who attend occasionally. This situation will be controlled at the discretion of the Club Coach.

9. RESERVES

It is beneficial to all teams for all the team squad members to attend matches, whether they play or not. This is an important part of the team game, and players can learn as much about the game when they are standing off the court as on the court playing.

10. PRACTICE BALL & LITTER

Please ensure that all practice balls are returned to the netball bag to prevent injuries and to be tidy. Do not eat during training sessions and do not bring fizzy drinks. Always bring a bottle of water. Do not expect someone else to dispose of your litter – be considerate.

11. COACHES & OFFICIALS

Adhere to the positive aspects of the sport and show respect for players, match officials, volunteers, and opposing players. Accept responsibility for their own behaviour and performance during coaching sessions ensuring they demonstrate professionalism as a coach & official. Ensure all Health & safety procedures are adhered to during coaching sessions. Accept success and failure, victory and defeat graciously. Be proactive in their continuing professional development. Consider the well-being and safety of all participants before development of performance. Promote development of players with additional ability.

12. PARENTS

Encourage your child to learn the rules and play within them. Discourage unfair play and arguing with officials. Help your child to recognise good performance and not just results. Set a good example by applauding good performance and fair play for your own team, as well as the opposition. Always use positive language – never belittle a child for losing or making a mistake. Accept the officials judgements.

Positively support your child's coach and team manager. Ensure you are not on the side-lines where the umpires and team managers are required to be.