



Lisarow Ourimbah Cricket Club

Senior Player Code of Conduct



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Season

Lisarow Ourimbah Cricket Club (“the Club”) is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the well-being of all its members. The Club believes that it is important that members, coaches, administrators, and parents associated with the Club should, at all times, show respect, be encouraged to be open at all times and to share any concerns or complaints that they may have about any aspect of the Club. A Senior Member is an individual over the age of eighteen and a member of the Club.

As a Senior Member you are expected to abide by the following Senior Club Code of Conduct as it applies appropriately to Senior Members. Senior Members are expected to set a good example as regards their own behaviour (and those accompanying them) for the benefit of Junior Members as well as the for the integrity of the Club and its members.

The Code:

This code of conduct applies to all matches played when representing the Club. It also applies to all training and practice sessions organised by the Club as well as Club events.

All Senior Members are expected to comply with the Cricket Australia’s Player Code of Behaviour (see below) and the CCCA Player’s Code of Conduct (found on CCCA website) and that, by taking part in activities organised by the Club, you agree to comply with all reasonable instructions from club officials, captains, or coaches;

To comply with all other reasonable instructions from other members and officers of the Club including, but not limited to, any directives and instructions which may be displayed from time to time on Club premises;

As follows:

Always –

- Senior Members agree to respect, cooperate with and encourage their fellow Senior Members at all times, irrespective of their abilities.
- Persecution, humiliation or ridiculing of others will not be tolerated
- Remember that your conduct is a reflection not only on yourself but also on the Club as a whole. Conduct which damages the reputation of the Club will not be tolerated.

- Senior Members will always be mindful of all their teammates and especially Junior Members in their team chats. Poor behaviour of any kind will not be tolerated.
- Sexual Harassment of any members of LOCC is unacceptable and will be dealt with in the harshest possible way. Any accusations of sexual harassment will be passed onto CNSW and/or NSW Police.

Drug and Alcohol Policy

- Senior Members are not allowed to consume alcohol while involved in matches or consume and/or possess any illegal drugs of any kind whilst representing LOCC.
- Senior Members are not allowed to smoke or vape on the field of play, and should follow Council and CCCA direction at grounds on when and where they can smoke in relation to amenities. Senior Members cannot smoke or vape in team huddles, and Senior Members should take even more care and avoid smoking or vaping near any Junior Members at all.
- Senior Members will never give any Junior Members any alcohol, drugs, cigarettes, or vaping devices.

On Field –

- **The Club expects all players, as representatives of the club, to be appropriately attired on field during games**
- **Show respect for your Captain, your Team, and your Club.**
 - The Club appoints team captains with a clear expectation that they will be shown proper respect on and off the field. If you have a problem with your captain that you cannot resolve one on one, firstly contact the head coach, delegate for senior cricket or delegate for women's cricket. If you have been unable to resolve your concern you may contact the head selector or any other executive committee member for assistance.
 - An argument between you and your teammates during the course of a match brings you, your team, and the Club into disrepute. It is unacceptable.

- Never argue with an official.

- The questioning/disputing of the Umpire's decision – often in an aggressive or sarcastic manner is not acceptable. This applies equally to dismissals and unsuccessful appeals as to the judgment of calls on no balls, wides, byes, etc.
- An excessive number of frivolous and ridiculous appeals – primarily aimed at pressuring and intimidating the Umpire into a favourable decision are equally unacceptable.

- Control your temper.

- The use of offensive language is unacceptable – generally as a disparaging remark to an opposing player or toward an Umpire, or even as an expression of frustration or self-admonishment. This includes racial vilification (any act that is reasonably likely to threaten, disparage, vilify, offend, insult, humiliate or intimidate another person or group based on race, religion, descent, colour or national or ethnic origin).
- The actions of the dismissed batter – in failing to leave the crease promptly on being given out and any equipment abuse (e.g. banging the bat into the ground or against the fence, etc and/or throwing the bat or equipment during or after his return to the pavilion) is unacceptable.

- Work equally hard for yourself as you do for your team.

- Be a good sport. Always conduct yourself in a way that reflects well on yourself and your Club.

- Celebrate your teams' success. Do not ridicule the other teams' failure, specifically:

- "Send offs" – usually to a dismissed batter by the bowler or a member of the fielding side. This can often inflame situations and lead to a more serious altercation.
- Treat all participants in your game, as you would want to be treated. Appreciate the efforts of the opposition team. If there were no opposition, you would not get a game.

Training & Selection -

- Attendance at training is expected for at least one session per week.
- If you cannot attend training, it is your responsibility to advise your team captain
- The Head Coach, and/or any designated assistants/specialists run training. You are accountable to them during a training session.

- When you come to training be prepared to train.
- **Approach training as if it was a match. Bat, Bowl & Field to the best of your ability.**
- **It is your responsibility to declare availability for selection.**
 - Once selected, you are expected to play unless there is a compelling and verifiable reason why you should be excused.
 - Late notice of withdrawal from a team is not welcomed. If you might not be available for all days of a match, either discuss your situation with the Chairperson of Selectors, or declare yourself unavailable. Failure to turn up or late pullouts may result in non-selection and/or disciplinary action.
- **Selection decisions are made by the Selection Committee, and are final.**
 - You are expected to play in the team, and at the location specified on selection night.
 - Changes can also occur due to late availability changes, weather, ground conditions and any other unforeseeable conditions. You may be moved team at late notice, and upon receipt of the notice of change of teams you will then be expected to turn up for the newly stated side.

Off Field

- **You must adhere to all Club policies:**
- **Whilst attending or involved in any cricket or club related activity, you are a representative of the Club.**
 - Your personal behaviour must reflect the circumstances, and you must adjust accordingly.
 - When attending a junior teams match or event, show proper respect to the players and their parent's and supporters. Junior players look to seniors for mentoring and as a role model. Encourage and support our next generation of cricketers.
 - Excessive bad language is not acceptable.
 - Abuse of Alcohol is not acceptable and alcohol consumption is discouraged near junior members.

- **The Club relies on all players being fully financial.**

Responsibility of Captains

- **Captains are responsible to ensure that the Lisarow Ourimbah Cricket Club’s Codes of Conduct are adhered to.**
- **Captains are responsible at all times for ensuring that play is conducted within the Spirit of the Game as well as within the Laws.**
 - In the event of any Player failing to comply with the instructions of an Umpire, criticising their decisions by word or action, or showing dissent, or generally behaving in a manner, which might bring the game into disrepute, the Umpire concerned will report the matter to the Player’s Captain requesting the latter to take action. As an on field leader, you are responsible to ensure that these situations do not get out of hand, and that your player is “calmed down.”
- **Fair and Unfair Play**
 - According to the Laws the Umpires are the sole judges of Fair and Unfair Play. The Umpires may intervene at any time and it is the responsibility of the Captain to take action where required.
- **The Spirit of the Game involves RESPECT for:**
 - Your opponents
 - Your own captain and team
 - The role of the Umpires
 - The game’s traditional values

Failure to comply with this code of conduct may result in disciplinary action being taken in accordance with the Club’s disciplinary procedures.

Cricket Australia’s Player Code of Behaviour

Players have a responsibility to uphold the integrity of the game whilst they are training, competing on the playing field or representing their club away from the field of play. Please refer to the players code of behaviour below:



- Play by the rules;
- Never argue with an umpire. If you disagree, have your captain, coach or manager approach the umpire in an appropriate manner during a break or after the game;
- Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials and sledging other players, deliberately distracting, or provoking an opponent are not acceptable or permitted behaviours in cricket;
- Work equally hard for yourself and your teammates. Your team's performance will benefit and so will you;
- Be a good sport. Applaud all good plays whether they are made by your team or the opposition;
- Treat all participants in cricket as you like to be treated. Do not bully or take unfair advantage of another competitor;
- Cooperate with your coach, teammates and opponents. Without them there would be no competition;
- Participate for your own enjoyment and benefit, not just to please parents, teachers or coaches;
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.