



PHOENIX CRICKET CLUB: YOUTH SECTION

PARENT/GUARDIAN CODE OF CONDUCT

Parents/Guardians have the primary responsibility for the care and welfare of their children within sport. Parents/Guardians should encourage their children to participate in the game of cricket for fun and enjoyment and should ensure that their child's experience is a positive one. They should always remember children play cricket for their own enjoyment and not that of the parents/guardians.

Phoenix Cricket Club recognises the vital role that parents/guardians have to play in their children's participation in the game of cricket and in promoting good practice within the Youth Section. The Club has a Child Protection Policy; the Children's Officers are Graham Morris (Boys Section) and Alison Todd (Girls Section), the Designated Officer is Emer Bell. In addition to this Parental Code of Conduct, the club has developed codes for Players and Coaches/Managers. All these documents are available for you to read on the club's website www.phoenixcricketclub.com and on the noticeboard in the clubhouse.

Parents/Guardians will:

- Respect the rules and procedures set down in Cricket (see Leinster Cricket Union website - www.cricketleinster.ie).
- Respect their child(ren)'s team-mates, coaches and managers, as well as players, coaches and managers from opposing teams. Parents/Guardians will encourage their child(ren) to treat other participants, coaches, Children's Officers, officials, selectors and managers with respect.
- Give encouragement and applaud only positive accomplishments whether from their child, his/her team-mates, their opponents and the officials.
- Respect the child(ren)'s coaches, managers, selectors and club officials and support their efforts.
- Respect the officials and their authority during sessions and events within Phoenix Cricket Club and under the auspices of Cricket Ireland.
- Never demonstrate threatening or abusive behaviour or use foul language.
- Not leave children unsupervised at the Club or its grounds and be present, or have an authorised guardian present, to supervise their child(ren) during practice or match times, in particular any one-on-one coaching sessions.

By signing the Club's application form on behalf of your child(ren) you will be confirming your acceptance and agreement of this Code of Conduct.