

# EAST MALVERN TOORONGA CRICKET CLUB

## CODE OF CONDUCT 2020/21



This Code of Conduct embraces the **Victorian Code of Conduct for Community Sport** :

Ref : <http://www.dpcd.vic.gov.au/sport/inclusive-sport/code-of-conduct>

### **The Victorian Code :**

Every person: spectator, player, club member, official, participant, administrator, coach, parent or member of the community involved with the sport, should work to ensure:

- inclusion of every person regardless of their age, gender or sexual orientation
- inclusion of every person regardless of their race, culture or religion
- opportunities for people of all abilities to participate in the sport and develop to their full potential
- respect is shown towards others, the club and the broader community
- a safe and inclusive environment for all
- elimination of violent and abusive behaviour
- protection from sexual harassment or intimidation.

This Code applies to community sport, training and club sanctioned activities.

### **EMTCC Code of Conduct**

Involvement as a player or member with this club involves accepting the requirement that all administrators, players, members and friends *adhere to the Victorian Code of Conduct for Community Sport, relevant Association Codes of Conduct, the EMTCC Looking After our Kids Policy, The Club's COVID Safety Plan, and the "spirit of Cricket"*:

#### **ROLE OF THE CLUB**

It is the role of the club to provide and maintain a safe positive **playing** and **social** atmosphere suitable for a club with a significant junior component.

Specifically :

1. The club will ensure that all our members are informed of this Code of Conduct.
2. The Club shall exercise great care in the selection of captains.
3. The Club shall closely monitor and fully support the efforts of captains in regard to the maintenance of the Code of Conduct.
4. The Club shall be responsible, **during matches and off-field club activities**, for the maintenance of orderly and appropriate conduct by our members and any other person with whom a relationship of affinity exists.
5. The club will deal promptly with any complaint of breach of this Code or other club policies.

#### **ROLE OF CAPTAINS DURING MATCHES**

1 Captains are responsible at all times for ensuring that play is conducted within the spirit of the game as well as the Laws of Cricket, and for the behavior and welfare of all involved in club matches and activities involving their team.

#### **ATTITUDE TOWARDS UMPIRES – ALL PLAYERS & CLUB SUPPORTERS AT GAMES**

- 1 Recognise that the umpire is in charge and has the final say.
- 2 Courtesy and respect should be shown at all times.
- 3 If, in anyone's opinion, an umpire misinterprets a rule, avoid heckling or arguing with him or opposition players. Any registered player or club official disputing an umpire's decision, using abusive, threatening or language, during or after a match, within or outside the playing field is liable to be reported and shall be dealt with by the club committee on complaint from the team captain *or opposition club*.
- 4 *If a captain or the club* is unhappy with an umpire's performance, the correct procedure is to make a constructive report to the Umpires' Officer.

#### **ROLE OF PLAYERS AND OUR CLUB'S SUPPORTERS DURING MATCHES**

- 1 Avoid making uncomplimentary or unnecessary remarks to opponents.
- 2 **Opposition players at home games are guests and should be treated as such.**
- 3 Avoid becoming involved in discussions between an umpire and/or your opponents.
- 4 Praise for good play of an opponent is a sign of sportsmanship.
- 5 Out-going and in-coming batsmen should cross on the field.
- 6 Bowlers should return to the start of their run-up without delay and should be ready to bowl without wasting time.
- 7 Players should assist captains and umpires in the smooth running of the game.
- 8 Fielders should move quickly between overs and when required to change their fielding positions.
- 9 The setting and changing of the field should be undertaken without delay.

#### **Off-field :**

- 10 Alcohol or illegal substances should not be utilised by players whilst the game is in progress, incl. breaks.
- 11 Our supporters at any match should consume alcohol only in the designated bar areas. No Eskies please.
- 11 Always ensure that friends accompanying you to games or functions behave appropriately.

The safety and welfare of all participants in club activities is the over-arching responsibility of every member of our club community.