



Mersham Sports Club

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Mersham Sports Cricket Club – Player Standards

These standards apply to all players that represent Mersham Sports Cricket Club in addition to the MSC Code of Practise and Codes of Conduct.

They represent the behaviour we expect from everyone involved with the cricket section.

Team Ethos

We are always proud to play for Mersham Sports Cricket Club and give our best efforts for the good of the team.

We promote Mersham Sports Club with our actions, showing great sportsmanship and fair play.

We always show respect for teammates, opposition, officials, and other club users.

We are a team- we win together, we lose together, we socialise together!

We support, encourage, and look after each other.

General Behaviour

We set high standards of behaviour for our Members and expect them to emulate these at all times.

All Cricket Members will:

- ✂ Show highest respect for everyone at the club including, all club members and sections, volunteers, opposition, and officials.**
- ✂ Support and encourage teammates.**
- ✂ Adhere to the MCC 'Spirit of Cricket'.**
- ✂ Comply with MSCC Codes of Conduct and Player Standards.**
- ✂ Display the highest standards of sportsmanship and fair play.**
- ✂ Promote the game of cricket and Mersham Sports Club with our actions.**
- ✂ NOT engage in inappropriate behaviour such as bullying, discrimination of any kind, making derogatory comments about anyone, unsportsmanlike conduct.**

Training

Training and practise are essential to be successful in any field, particularly sport. It will help improve your ability, performance, fitness, and game awareness during matches.

Players will:

- ✂ Attend training whenever possible.**
- ✂ Be on time.**
- ✂ Participate fully during sessions.**
- ✂ Try their hardest to be the best they can be.**
- ✂ Train with intensity to best simulate match conditions.**
- ✂ Listen to coaches' guidance and instructions.**
- ✂ Ask if you require specific or additional support from coaches.**
- ✂ Encourage and support other players.**
- ✂ Wear appropriate training kit.**





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Prior to Matches

We appreciate that people's lives are extremely busy in this day and age, however, to be a successful team we need players that are committed and play as often as they can.

The most successful teams are those with a settled side, where everyone knows their role and takes responsibility for their performance, **if you choose not to play you are letting your Captain/Coach and your team mates down.**

Organising teams is a time consuming and thankless task at times, and we all need to do our part to assist captains and coaches with this.

Players will:

- ✂ Be committed to the team and make themselves available to play whenever possible.
- ✂ Update their availability at least 4 days before match.
- ✂ If selected- confirm selection as soon as possible.
- ✂ Notify the captain/coach if your availability changes immediately and ensure they have received and acknowledge the message.

During Matches

Pre-match- Players will:

- ✂ Arrive at least 30 minutes prior to the start of the game.
- ✂ Assist your captain/coach with any preparation that needs to be done on or off the pitch.
- ✂ Be ready to start 5 minutes before the start of the match.
- ✂ Wear Club match shirts and caps.

During Matches- Players will:

- ✂ Always adhere to the MCC Spirit of cricket and MSC Codes of conduct.
- ✂ Not engaging in 'sledging' at any point.
- ✂ Not question or criticize umpires' decisions by word or action.
- ✂ Assist with scoring and umpiring if required- if you do not know how to, ask, we will help you.
- ✂ Update the scoreboard every over.
- ✂ Help look for the ball if required.
- ✂ Help move sight screens if required.
- ✂ Watch the game and support your teammates.
- ✂ Take responsibility for your performance. If you are under performing work on your game, train harder, seek help and advice from coaches and teammates.

Post-Match- Players will:

- ✂ Assist the captain/coach with any clearing away on/off the field.
- ✂ Respect our venue and surroundings – at the end of the game whole team to make sure all rubbish is in the bin and changing room and pavilion is clean and tidy.
- ✂ Stay and socialise with the team whenever possible.

