

## STURT DCC Codes of Conduct



To be read in conjunction with SACA and Cricket Australia

### Codes of Behaviour

- Act within the rules and spirit of cricket.
- Promote fair play over winning at any cost.
- Encourage and support opportunities for people to learn appropriate behaviours and skills.
- Support opportunities for participation in all aspects of the sport.
- Treat each person as an individual.
- Show respect and courtesy to all involved with the sport.
- Respect the rights and worth of every person, regardless of their age, race, gender, ability, cultural background, sexuality or religion.
- Respect the decisions of officials, coaches and administrators.
- Wherever practical, avoid unaccompanied and unobserved one-on-one activity (when in a supervisory capacity or where a power imbalance exists) with people under the age of 18.
- Display appropriate and responsible behaviour in all interactions.
- Display responsible behaviour in relation to alcohol and other drugs.
- Act with integrity and objectivity, and accept responsibility for your decisions and actions.
- Ensure your decisions and actions contribute to a safe environment.
- Ensure your decisions and actions contribute to a harassment-free environment.
- Do not tolerate abusive, bullying or threatening behaviour. Call it out.

### PLAYERS

- Give your best at all times. Be a good sport. Applaud all good cricket, even if it comes from the opposition. Control your temper.
- Participate for your own enjoyment and benefit. Treat others as you would like to be treated.
- Play by the rules and show respect for other players, coaches and officials, regardless of race, gender, ability, cultural background or religion. Verbal abuse, deliberately distracting or provoking opposition players is unacceptable.
- Never argue with an umpire. If you disagree tell your coach or captain who can raise it at an appropriate time.

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### COACHES

- Operate within the rules and spirit of cricket and teach your team to do the same.
- Display control and show respect to all involved in cricket (umpires, opponents, scorers, administrators and parents) and encourage your team members to do the same.
- Place the safety and welfare of the players above all else. Ensure the time players spend with you is positive.
- Help each person (player, official, etc.) to reach their potential. Respect the talent, developmental stage and goals of each person and encourage them with positive and constructive feedback, regardless of race, gender, cultural background or religion. Avoid over playing the talented players and give all young players equal time, attention and opportunities.
- Be reasonable in your demands on players' time, energy and enthusiasm.
- Show concern and caution towards sick and injured players. Follow the expert physician's advice.
- Obtain appropriate qualifications and keep up-to-date with the latest coaching practices and the principles of growth and development of young players.
- Ensure that any physical contact with another person is appropriate to the situation and necessary for the person's skill development.

### OFFICIALS

- Place the safety and welfare of the players above all else.
- Ensure all players are included and can participate, regardless of their race, gender, ability, cultural background, sexuality or religion.
- Be consistent, impartial and objective when making decisions.
- Address unsporting behaviour and promote respect for other players and officials.

### ADMINISTRATORS

- Ensure quality supervision and instruction for players.
- Support coaches and officials to improve their skills and competencies.
- Act honestly, in good faith and in the best interests of cricket as a whole.
- Ensure that any information acquired or advantage gained from the position is not used improperly.
- Conduct club responsibilities with due care, competence and diligence.

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### PARENTS

- Encourage your child to participate and help them to have fun. Do not force a child to participate.
- Encourage your child to play by the rules.
- Focus on your child's effort and performance, rather than winning or losing.
- Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a game. Respect the decisions of officials and teach your child to do the same.
- Help out the coach or officials at training and games, where possible and show appreciation for their time and effort
- Model appropriate behaviour, including respect for players and other parents (including opposition players and parents), coaches, umpires and officials, regardless of race, gender, ability, cultural background or religion. Appreciate good performances and skillful plays by all participants and teach your child to do the same.

### SPECTATORS

- Respect the effort and performances of all players, umpires and officials.
- Reject the use of harassment, bullying, verbal/physical abuse or violence

