

NCCA 2000

PLAYERS CODE OF CONDUCT

The under mentioned Player's Code of Conduct is a reminder to players that Cricket is a game which has a rich tradition of sportsmanship behind it. Those who take part in the game are expected to uphold this tradition and the spirit of the game.

- 1) The captains are responsible at all times for ensuring that play is conducted within the spirit of the game as well as within the Laws.
- 2) Players shall not at any time engage in conduct that could bring them or the game into disrepute.
- 3) Players must at all times accept the Umpire's decision.
- 4) Players must not show dissent at the Umpire's decision
- 5) Players shall not use crude or abusive language (know as "sledging") nor make offensive gestures.
- 6) Players shall not AT ANY TIME engage in conduct that may jeopardize use of the ground.
- 7) Players shall not consume any alcoholic beverages during the game.

Application and Enforcement of the Code:

- 1) The Code of Conduct will serve as a guide to the Disciplinary Committee in dealing with the infractions.
- 2) The Code of Conduct is applicable to all the games played within NCCA, including league, cup and representative games.
- 3) The Executive/Board may in addition to, or as an alternative to any of the penalties, impose a term of probation not exceeding two years. Any subsequent offence committed while on probation will ordinarily be dealt with more severely.
- 4) Penalties can be in the form of suspension from games, fines or both. Maximum penalties are intended to be reserved for the worst instance of a breach of the rule or when dealing with repeat offenders.
- 5) The period of suspension will be specified as a number of games (inclusive of life) depending on the nature and seriousness of the infraction. Suspension must be served in (or must apply to) the year in which the infraction occurred, and if not completed in a given season, must be carried over to the next or subsequent seasons. Suspension from one division will debar a player from participating in another division. A suspension penalty includes suspension from all NCCA activities and events, all cup matches and all NCCA representative matches till the period of suspension.
- 6) No player under probation shall hold any office in the NCCA until after the end of the probationary period.
- 7) Lack of knowledge of the existence of this document does not constitute as an excuse for non-compliance.

Infractions :

Level I infractions :

- 1) Any player/Umpire not complying with Dress Code of NCCA
- 2) Any player using crude or abusive language or making offensive gestures.
- 3) Failure of a Batsman to immediately leave the field after being given “Out” by the Umpire.
- 4) Any player involved in a further minor incident, subsequent to receiving a warning or caution.

Level I penalties:

- Automatic Probation for a 6 month period from the date of imposition.
- Fine of up to US \$50.00

Level II Infractions :

- 1) Captain, NCCA Officers or Board Of Directors involved in any of the Level I infraction.
- 2) Any audible on-field expression of criticism or dissent by a player to an Umpire’s decision, whether or not it is expressed directly at an Umpire.
- 3) Any confrontational or threatening language or gesture directed at an Umpire or any player(s).
- 4) Failure to comply with an Umpire’s instruction.
- 5) Any player under probation committing another Level I infraction.
- 6) Any player involved in repetitive Level I infraction, whether they are currently on probation or not.

Level II Penalties:

- Automatic Probation for a 1 year period from the date of imposition.
- Fine of up to US \$100.00
- Suspension for a period encompassing up to 5 NCCA scheduled games.

Level III Infractions :

This infraction is considered as the worst incident and maximum penalties can be applied.

- 1) A player participating in NCCA games under the influence of alcohol, narcotics or controlled substance, or who consumes alcoholic beverages during the game.
- 2) Any Captain involved in a Level II infraction.
- 3) Any player or team involved in any physical abuse of equipment or facilities.

- 4) Any player or team engaging in conduct which can jeopardize future use of ground facilities.
- 5) A player under suspension violating any of the previously imposed penalties.

Level III Penalties:

- Automatic Probation for a 2 year period to commence after the suspension term is served.
- Fine of up to US \$250.00
- Suspension for a period of not less than 3 NCCA scheduled games.

Level IV Infractions:

- 1) Any act of physical aggression or violence towards a Player, Umpire or Spectator.
- 2) Any Captain involved in a Level III infraction.

Level IV Penalties:

- Automatic Probation for a 2 year period to commence after suspension.
- Fine of up to US \$250.00
- Suspension for a period of not less than 8 NCCA scheduled games.