

Representative Code of Conduct



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Representative teams are selected to provide the opportunity for players to further develop their skills by playing for this Association. Players shall be selected to represent a team participating in the Competitions conducted by Cricket New South Wales Youth Championships, the New South Wales Districts Cricket Association Inc. or the Inter-District Cricket Association (IDCA)/President's Cup.

A panel of three independent members, where possible, appointed by the Representative Secretary will select the teams, subject to ratification by the Representative Committee and/or the Representative Secretary.

To be eligible to play in a Representative team, a player must be a bona fide player registered with an affiliated club in this Association. To be eligible to play in a CNSW Youth Championships, NSWDCA or IDCA team a player must have been a bona fide player registered with an affiliated club in this Association for the previous season, unless dispensation has been given by the Representative Committee and/or the Representative Secretary.

An official Team Coach and Manager shall be appointed to each Representative Team by the Representative Secretary. Team Coaches and Managers shall be responsible for ensuring that the guidelines issued from time to time by this Association are abided by. It is to be understood clearly that the Team Coach and Manager are the officials in charge of the team and are responsible to the Representative Secretary, who reports directly to the Executive Committee of this Association. The Team Coach and Manager are to work closely together and with any Assistant Coaches or other volunteers associated with the team. The Association insists that the following code be observed:

1. Players and families of players shall accept that one of the aims of Representative Cricket is to learn and display sportsmanship in all aspects of the game.
2. Players are to accept the Umpire's decision immediately and not show dissent.
3. Players and their parents shall show respect for decisions of, and actions taken by Umpires, Captains, Vice-Captains and opposition players during the game. Abusive and insulting language and behavior will not be tolerated.
4. Players and their families shall accept all decisions of the Manager or Coach gracefully and without criticism.
5. Parents are not to speak to the Coach on matters relating to the playing of a game. This includes batting and bowling orders and entering the field of play during playing hours.
6. Players unavailable to attend scheduled training sessions are to inform the Team Manager or Coach prior to the training session. Repeated failures to attend training sessions may result in players being omitted.
7. Players are to pay their fees for the representative season prior to the commencement of the first pre-season trial game. Players who do not pay their fees in full prior to their first pre-season trial game will not participate in that game, or future representative matches until the total fees are paid.
8. Families who are experiencing genuine financial hardship are permitted to pay by instalments, though only upon permission granted by the Representative Secretary. Requests for this special consideration are to be in writing, addressed to the Representative Secretary. Players whose representative fees to the Association are in arrears will be suspended from playing until they become financial, unless in the opinion of the Executive Committee of the Association special circumstances apply. If considered warranted, unfinancial representative players may be dropped from the team and replaced by reserve players.

9. Where possible HK&HDCA representative players are to attend all training sessions wearing the Association's current season training shirt, shorts & cap.
10. HK&HDCA representative players are to attend all games wearing the Association's current season training shirt, shorts & cap. Playing attire should be brought in their personal kit bags.
11. HK&HDCA representative players are not permitted to wear their training gear or playing shirt at any time other than for attendance at representative training, trial games, competition games, country carnivals or presentations without prior approval from the Representative Secretary.
12. HK&HDCA representative players are required to wear their training gear to Cricket NSW Academy Trials, they are not permitted to wear their training gear to any other trials.
13. During games HK&HDCA representative players must wear the official playing uniform applicable to that season. Cricket attire, including long pants and cricket shoes, must be maintained in a clean and respectable fashion. For the first hour of play (whilst fielding), all representative players are to wear the HK&HDCA representative baggy (plus copious amounts of sunscreen). Upon the commencement of the 2nd hour (ie. at the first drinks break), players are allowed to change to a white floppy or broad-brimmed hat for sun protection.
14. Mobile phones or other electronic devices are not to be used by players during either innings of play.
15. No photographs, images or videos are allowed to be taken, uploaded or streamed of any players or teams whilst attending trials, training or games, without the written permission of the Association.

If a player or family of a player is judged in the opinion of the Manager / Coach to have contravened this code, a warning shall be issued to the player or family. In the event of a further breach of this code, the player may be omitted from the team, following consultation with the Representative Secretary.

Should a player or parent not be happy with the action of a team official, the matter should in the first instance be brought to the attention of the Team Manager. Should the Team Manager not resolve the issue to the player or parent's satisfaction, the matter may be referred to the Association's Representative Secretary who is a member of the HK&HDCA Executive Committee.

HK&HDCA Representative Secretary