



## **SGCC Members Charter**

The Stoke Green Cricket Club member's charter has been prepared to ensure that all sporting and social activities at Stoke Green Cricket Club (SGCC) are conducted fairly, sensibly, and enjoyably. It is expected that everyone connected with SGCC, member, player, parent, or spectator will adhere to the simple guidelines set out in this Charter.

- At all times act in a manner consistent with the spirit of the game and the reputation of SGCC
- Adhere to the SGCC Players Code of Conduct
- Treat others as you would expect to be treated yourself
- Respect fellow members, staff, officials, opposing players and spectators
- Respect decisions made by Officials
- Look after Club equipment and facilities as if it were your own

## **Players Code of Conduct**

All playing members are always expected act in a manner consistent with the Code of Conduct listed below and in line with the ECB Code of Conduct and codes laid down by the various Leagues SGCC participate in.

Players are responsible for their own discipline, but Captains must accept responsibility for managing the tone on the field of play and as stated in the ECB code are ultimately responsible for the team's behaviour.

At Stoke Green Cricket Club we will follow the ECB Code of Conduct and Spirit of Cricket Regulations covering players behaviour both on and off the field. A full copy of the ECB code and the disciplinary procedures for all Leagues are available on request but specifically BNHCC will expect the following from its players, officials, and members.

- Will conduct themselves fairly and properly on and off the field of play
- Will NOT engage in verbal or physical abuse or hostility to other players or members of the public
- Will NOT dispute decisions nor react provocatively towards Umpires at any time
- Will NOT engage in crude, abusive and personal 'sledding' of other players or officials both verbally or using abusive hand signals
- Will NOT engage in excessive and/or intimidatory appealing
- Will respect and welcome all players and guests to SGCC

The Committee of the Stoke Green CC are determined to make sure that the behaviour outlined above will be conducted by all its playing and social members and will follow the procedures laid down by Leagues to deal with any breaches of discipline that may unfortunately occur in the future.

## **CODE OF CONDUCT AND SPIRIT OF CRICKET**

1. Stoke Green Cricket Club is committed to maintaining the highest standards of behaviour and conduct. The contents of this document are based on the guidelines set down by the ECB in their Code of Conduct which also incorporates the Spirit of Cricket. The code is set out below and applies to all matches played under the auspices of Stoke Green CC and may be applied to behaviour in general within the Cricket Club.
2. The captains are always responsible for ensuring that play is conducted within the Spirit of Cricket as well as within the Laws.
3. Players and Team Officials must always accept the Umpire's decision. Players must not show dissent at the Umpire's decision or react in a provocative or disapproving manner towards an Umpire at any time.
4. Players and Team Officials shall not intimidate assault or attempt to intimidate an Umpire, another Player or Spectator.



5. Players and Team Officials shall not use crude and/or abusive language (sledging) nor make abusive gestures or and signals nor deliberately distract an opponent.
6. Players and Team Officials shall not make racially abusive comments nor indulge in racially abusive actions against fellow players, officials, members, and supporters. Clubs must operate an active open door membership policy whilst respecting player qualification regulations and welcome players/members irrespective of ethnic origin.
7. Players and Team Officials shall not use or in any way be concerned in the use or distribution of illegal drugs.
8. The Club will make the necessary and adequate steps to ensure the good behaviour of all members towards players and officials.
9. Cricket should be played not only within the Laws, but also within the Spirit of the Game. The major responsibility for ensuring the spirit of fair play rests with the captains.