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## WOLLONGONG DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT - 2025/26

The document below has been developed by the committee of the Wollongong District Cricket Club to align with today's society and social practices. The club wants to ensure it has a positive reputation both on and off the field, and expects all club members to hold themselves to a standard which will have no detrimental impact on the club.

## I agree to:

- 1. Promote and adhere to the Laws of Cricket and play in accordance with the spirit of the game. WDCC promotes hard and fair cricket.
- 2. No 'sledging' of the opposition or an individual player under any circumstances. WDCC promotes encouragement for team mates and accepts legitimate attempts to "gain a psychological advantage" with on field 'talk', but abuse or harassment in any form is not condoned.
- 3. Act respectfully to those of another race, religion or creed. WDCC Members must adhere to the Cricket Illawarra policy regarding Race related Vilification.
- 4. Respect the decision made by the umpire and not engage in threatening or intimidating behaviour towards an umpire or official.
- 5. Limit the use of offensive language on and off the field. WDCC does not support the use of abusive language to "gain a psychological advantage", nor to threaten, nor intimidate players, officials or supporters.
- 6. Respect all equipment, facilities and amenities, including that of teammates and those provided by WDCC and opposition teams.
- 7. Maintain a level of conduct that does not bring WDCC into disrepute when wearing club clothing or attending WDCC post-game celebrations and official functions. WDCC encourages all players to attend and enjoy post-game activities and official WDCC functions. We must look after our club sponsors both with your patronage, and your respectful behaviour.
- 8. Encourage & promote the enjoyment of this great game amongst my teammates.

I confirm that I have received, read, understood and shall abide by this Code of Conduct

- 9. Abide by the Cricket Illawarra Code of Conduct, Member Protection Policy and Social Media Policies. These documents outline the behaviour standards needed to avoid any detrimental impact on WDCC or its members. Cricket Illawarra may also act on breaches.
- 10. A member of the WDCC must not make any post or comment on social media or comment in media that is not positive. Any comments that are considered negative, belittling, rude or bring the club into disrepute will be considered a breach of the code of conduct.

By signing below/proceeding, you agree to adhere to the above Code of Conduct as well as the Cricket Illawarra Code of Conduct and are liable to Disciplinary Action should a report be received by the Secretary or a member of the committee.

Signature Name (Print):

Date: