



MIDWEST CRICKET TOURNAMENT CODE OF CONDUCT

- ❖ Please note that this is NOT intended to be an all-inclusive list of items that the Tournament Organizing Committee (TOC) expects the participating teams to uphold and apply.
- ❖ All tournament participants are reminded that this game is a Gentleman's Game and the goal of the TOC is to uphold this historic pillar of our sport.
- ❖ The home team is responsible for providing appropriate and adequate drinks to the visiting team. (There is no requirement that food be provided to the visiting team. That is left entirely to the host team's discretion.) Most of the games are played in the middle of summer and as courtesy to the visiting team, the host team should provide at least adequate amounts of cold water.
- ❖ Captains are responsible for the discipline and behavior of their players. Verbal abuse, use of profanities etc. directed at players of the opposing team or any fans present will result in penalties as described in a subsequent section. Under no circumstances will the safety of the players or any of the fans will be jeopardized. Captains are responsible for the behavior of any of their team supporters present at the match. The Umpires' decision is final.
- ❖ In the League and Super Stage of the tournament, if a need arises that requires clarification of the Umpires' decision, the Captains and only the Captains may approach the Umpires.
- ❖ In the Knockout Stage, approaching the Umpires is not permitted. The TOC will provide independent match referees who may be approached for clarification. If the Match Referee deems it necessary, he, and only he, will approach the Umpires.
- ❖ Any incidents involving ANY intentional physical contact with the umpire is expressly forbidden. The TOC in such cases will consider penalties that may include suspension of the player(s) initiating the physical contact AND/OR suspending the team from remainder of the tournament.
- ❖ During the League and Super Stage the Captain of the batting side will be responsible for ensuring that the individuals sent in as Umpires are competent, aware of the rules of cricket and will perform their duties in a neutral, unbiased and professional manner.
- ❖ Consistency in umpiring should be maintained throughout the match. At the time of changing umpires (during the league stage only), the outgoing umpire(s) should communicate the methods used to the incoming umpire(s). This communication should also take place during the change of innings.



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- ❖ The Captains of each team may request a change in umpiring if they feel that the umpire is biased and/or has demonstrated a lack of proper knowledge of the governing laws, by-laws, rules, and regulations. The procedure for this should be for one Captain to make a polite request for a change in umpiring to the other Captain. No other players should be involved in this conversation.
- ❖ Captains are required that they include an evaluation of the Umpires used by the opposing team. The TOC will use that information in requesting which individuals are not asked to umpire in subsequent matches. Other grievances, if any, should also be included in these reports. Please use the Umpire Evaluation Form provided. The forms, along with the scores, are to be turned in to the assigned Group Coordinator by the Monday immediately following the match no later than 5 pm. Appropriate cricket clothing should be worn during all matches. White and appropriate shades of white are acceptable colors. Shorts may be worn in extreme cases although the use of proper trousers is encouraged.

PENALTIES:

The TOC will review cases reported to it on an individual basis. The penalties, if deemed necessary by the TOC, may include one or all of the following:

- Suspension of one or more players for one or more matches,
- Reduction of points.
- The team being eliminated from further contention in the tournament.
- The team being banned from participating in future tournaments.
- The decision of the TOC shall be final in these matters.

I have understood the code of conduct and rules set by TOC. I am willing to inform all club members including myself to abide all the rules and regulation set by TOC.

Team Name

Team Captain Name

Team Captain Signature

Date