



# **York Region Cricket Association (YRCA)**

## **Players Code of Conduct**

### **The Policy**

The YRCA Code of Conduct policy has been established to help YRCA conduct its league affairs in a professional manner as per cricket norms. It will also help the Captains and the Management committee to enforce discipline which is vital in maintaining the cricket spirit of “Gentleman’s Game”.

All Captains and Team members must acquaint themselves with this policy and sign it as a form of acceptance. Signed copies should be provided by each team to the YRCA Management.

This Code of Conduct will strictly be enforced by the Neutral umpire present. In case the neutral umpire is not present, the officiating main umpire will enforce the policy. Both the umpire and the captain(s) will be required to notify the YRCA management/YRCA disciplinary committee, of any violations.

### **Players Conduct**

#### **1) Talking on the field:**

- a. Please keep chatter to a minimum in the field especially while addressing the opposing team players. No talking is permitted while the bowlers is in his run up, and especially not by close in fielders. ICC Law 41 will apply.
- b. No talking to umpires except to request information with request to time, balls remaining etc. or to request permission to leave the field etc.



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#### **2) Umpire's Decision**

- a. Regardless of neutral umpires being present or not, the umpire's decision will be final. There will be no showing of dissent by any player of any team on an umpire's decision, verbally or by actions.

#### **3) Sledging:**

- a. Although sledging has now become part of the game and friendly banter is anticipated. No verbal abuse, racial slurs, obscene language or threats of violence are permitted, whether directed at teammates, opponents or umpires.
- b. There will be zero tolerance on language that is obscene (swearing), offensive, insulting, including slurs based on race, religion, color, descent or ethnic origin.
- c. There will absolutely be no banter, baiting or ridiculing of any player/batsmen in relation to their ability or lack thereof on the playing field.

#### **4) Violence**

- a. There will be absolutely no violence on the field of play, including physical assault of another player, umpire or spectators.
- b. If such acts occur, in addition to the penalties imposed by the on field umpires, YRCA Management, together with the disciplinary committee will impose strict suspensions of the player and/or the team(s) which could include suspension for the whole season and also complete suspension to ever play in YRCA league.

#### **5) Captain's responsibility**

- a. No player beside the captain should talk to the umpire in relation to any issue/dispute on the field.
- b. It is the captain's responsibility to resolve any issues with the



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opposing captains with the guidance and assistance of the umpire/s.

- c. Captains of the teams will be responsible for the behavior of their players during the game

#### **6) Intentional physical contact:**

- i. In addition to penalties imposed by the on field Umpires, all players involved in such act will be automatically suspended from the league. The team captain(s) will get a warning for the first instance. If the physical violence is repeated (by any other member of the same team, the team will be disqualified from the league.
- ii. In the event abusive language is hurled at players of the other team, in addition to penalties imposed by the on field umpires, YRCA management along with the Disciplinary committee will suspend the involved player/s till further notice. The suspension will be minimum two immediate games. Management/Disciplinary committee will review the incident based on the report from the umpire and may increase the suspension based on their assessment.
- iii. For all other matters the disciplinary committee will review the situation and make decision which will be final and binding for all the teams.
- iv. In case of any dispute the decision of the YRCA disciplinary committee ratified by the YRCA management is final.



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#### **Alcohol Policy of the Cities of Markham, Stouffville & Ajax:**

#### **Certification:**

- 1.** I understand that alcohol cannot be consumed in City of Markham facilities unless done so by authorization of a Special Occasion Permit being issued.
- 2.** I understand that if any member of my team or organization is consuming alcohol in these facilities or areas, a letter of warning will be issued advising of the policy violation and indicating that no further violations will be tolerated. Independent action can be taken by the York Regional Police Force, at its discretion.
- 3.** I understand that if any member of my team violates the policy within one year of receiving a warning, our team will be suspended for one game and fined \$200.

**By joining the York region Cricket Association, we're ensuring that we'll play in the spirit of the game and will abide by the code of conduct and playing conditions of York Region Cricket Association.**

