## **Players Code of Conduct**



All (U18) players at ECPA are expected to abide by the following code of conduct:

## <u>General</u>

- Respect fellow players, the coaching team and everyone you meet in the course of training or matches.
- Behave in a responsible, sensible manner.
- Always show a sporting attitude.
- Respect club property (including equipment) and the property of others.
- Ensure membership fees are paid on time.
- Never smoke or consume alcohol on club premises or whilst representing the academy.

## Training and Matches

- Turn up on time and advise the coach/ staff if you are going to be late.
- Ask parents to respond to match availability emails / texts promptly so that staff do not have to chase responses unnecessarily.
- Always give 100% effort; pay attention; be honest with yourself; and strive to develop your game.
- Listen and act on the instruction of your coach and captain.
- Always play within the rules and respect officials and their decisions.
- Make decisions in the best interests of the team, rather than for yourself or any individual.
- Always be supportive of and respectful to your team mates encouraging them even when they make mistakes.
- Always be gracious and respectful to the opposition acknowledging good play and avoiding being critical of their mistakes.
- Take an active interest in the game, and support your teammates when they are batting.
- Be prepared to help the coaching team with "chores" such as carrying kit or collecting boundary markers.

## Kit and Protection

• Remember to bring the kit with you that you will need. For matches this should include a white top, white trousers and white trainers (or spikes for grass play).

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- Always wear an abdominal protector (box) and a helmet, as well as pads and gloves, when batting or wicket keeping to a hard ball.
- Wear appropriate sun protection when playing in sunny conditions.
- Bring sufficient drink (water) and re-hydrate regularly particularly in hot conditions.