



Leicester Pétanque Club

CODE OF CONDUCT

Our Code of Conduct is for your comfort and safety and to ensure you enjoy your visit to our Club. We aim to ensure that all those who use our facilities are able to do so in a pleasant and friendly environment.

This code of conduct applies to all whilst on the premises.

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1. DEFINITIONS OF TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS USED IN THIS CONSTITUTION

- Visitor – Any visitor or spectator at the premises.
- Member – Any member of Leicester Pétanque Club.
- Guest – Any person accompanying any member of Leicester Pétanque club.

2. Code of Conduct for premises users

- It is the member's responsibility to ensure their guests are familiar with this code of conduct.
- Consider the wellbeing and safety of others at all times and not to put themselves or others at risk.
- Visitors, Members and their guests are expected to show respect to the buildings and grounds ensuring the appropriate use of all our facilities at all times.
- All visitors, members and guests must adhere to all safety rules in place.
- Ensure all activities taking place are appropriate for the age of those taking part or in attendance.
- Visitors, Members and their guests must treat the pavilion, grounds, its volunteers, other visitors members and guests with courtesy and respect at all times.
- Children are to be supervised at ALL times both inside and outside the Clubhouse. In the interest of the safety and comfort of all club members and guests please do not allow your children to run around inside the pavilion or grounds.
- In the interest of safety all types of balls or other throwing objects manufactured for outdoor use should not be used in the Clubhouse.
- Appropriate dress, to include sports attire, is expected in the pavilion at all times.
- Kit bags must not obstruct doors or walkthroughs. Any bags causing an obstruction will be removed.
- The decisions of the Club officers or designated person in charge of the pavilion are final in all aspects of visitors, members and guest's safety and comfort.
- The Club Officers reserves the right to amend and add to these conditions and rules as it sees fit and the Visitor, member or guest shall observe any amended or additional conditions or rules so made.
- Visitors, Members or guests violating any rules or regulations of the club, or demonstrating behaviour deemed by the Officers to be detrimental to the welfare, good order, safety or character of the club or members, including foul, abusive or threatening language, rudeness, bullying or violence will be asked to leave the pavilion immediately and will be subject to the Club's disciplinary procedures



2. Code of Conduct for Club Officials and Volunteers

All Officials and volunteers must:

- Consider the wellbeing and safety of all visitors, members and guests at all times
- Develop an appropriate working relationship with members, based on mutual trust and respect
- Make sure all activities are appropriate to the age, ability and experience of those taking part
- Promote the positive aspects of the sport (e.g. fair, equal play).
- Display consistently high standards of behaviour and appearance.
- Follow all guidelines laid down by the national governing body and the Club
- Hold appropriate valid qualifications or be working towards such qualifications and insurance cover
- Never exert undue influence over visitors, members or guests to obtain personal benefit or reward
- Never condone rule violations, rough play or the use of prohibited substances.
- Never actively promote anti-social behaviour, lude acts or excessive drinking, or force any member into taking part in such activities.
- Shall not do anything which is likely to intimidate, offend, insult, humiliate or discriminate against any other person on the ground of gender, race, disability, age, religious or political belief, sexual orientation, social background, ethnic origin, language, marital or civil partnership status or pregnancy

3. Players

- Recognise and appreciate the efforts made by coaches, parents, match officials and administrators in providing the opportunity for you to play the game and enjoy the sporting environment and facilities
- Must ensure that the game is played and conducted in accordance with disciplined and sporting behaviour and acknowledge that it is not sufficient to rely solely upon that match officials to maintain those principles.
- Shall not repeatedly and wittingly breach the rules of the game
- Shall accept and observe the authority and decisions of match officials and all other disciplinary bodies
- Shall promote the reputation of the game and take all possible steps to prevent it from being brought into disrepute
- Shall not use foul language or abusive language or gestures towards other players, match officials or spectators
- Shall not do anything which is likely to intimidate, offend, insult, humiliate or discriminate against any other person on the ground of gender, race, disability, age, religious or political belief, sexual orientation, social background, ethnic origin, language, marital or civil partnership status or pregnancy
- Arrive for training and matches in good time to prepare thoroughly
- Display consistently high standards of behaviour
- Arrive with appropriate kit for the activity
- Always warm up and cool down properly
- Play for fun and enjoyment
- Learn and play by the rules
- Recognise and applaud all good play
- Be a good sport - win with modesty, lose with dignity
- Co-operate with coach, team-mates and opponents
- Thank officials and opponents after competition



4. Spectators

- Be on your best behaviour. Do not use profane language or harass, physically or verbally, players, managers, coaches, match officials or other spectators
- Applaud all good play by your own team and the other team
- Show respect for your team's opponents. Without them, there would be no game
- Never ridicule or scold a participant for making a mistake during a game
- Never condone the use of violence and verbal abuse
- Respect the match officials' decisions. Remember he/she is only human with the same feelings as you and, like you, sometimes makes an honest error
- Encourage players always to play according to the rules of the Game
- Know the rules of the Game to better understand what you are looking at and commenting on
- Shall not do anything which is likely to intimidate, offend, insult, humiliate or discriminate against any other person. This includes the grounds of gender, race, disability, age, religious or political belief, sexual orientation, social background, ethnic origin, language, marital or civil partnership status or pregnancy.

5. Coaches

- Arrive in plenty of time to set up your activities and ensure safety
- Keep yourself informed about sound coaching practices
- Be reasonable in your demands on participant's time, energy and enthusiasm
- The successful coach invests in the well-being and interests of their players, not their win/loss record
- Teach your team that honest effort is more important than victory so that the result of each game is accepted without undue disappointment
- Never ridicule or shout at a participant for making a mistake or losing
- Teach players to be fair and to follow the rules
- Divide your time equally between all standards of players
- Check you have the relevant qualifications and adequate insurance cover for the coaching you are undertaking
- Ensure you and your players have respect for their opponents, the officials and opposing coaches and supporters
- Follow advice from a professional when determining if an injured player is ready to play or train
- Take responsibility for the young people in your care until they have safely left the activity
- Shall not do anything which is likely to intimidate, offend, insult, humiliate or discriminate against any other person on the ground of gender, race, disability, age, religious or political belief, sexual orientation, social background, ethnic origin, language, marital or civil partnership status or pregnancy

If there is any issue regarding behaviour, repairs or cleanliness then please raise this as soon as possible with a Club officer so that appropriate action may be taken. If you feel it is appropriate to elevate any issue or would like to comment on this Code of Conduct, please advise the Club Secretary. Please play your part to keep our Club one of the friendliest places to both play your sport and socialise. Thank you.

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