



## City of Cambridge Cricket Club

### Safe Hands Policy

CCCC has adopted the England and Wales Cricket Board “Safe Hands” policy. The purpose of the policy is to ensure that young people (under 18s) who play cricket have a safe and positive experience. To assist the club in continuing to provide a safe environment for young people to enjoy their cricket. The club has also carried out checks with the Disclosure and Barring Service (formerly the Criminal Records Bureau) on club members who will be closely involved with young people at the club.

Please be assured that these measures have been undertaken because we believe that they are an appropriate measure - not because of a problem within the club or Cambridgeshire Cricket generally.

Can you please read the club policies in respect of transport, changing and photography and video and sign your consent in section B of the ‘Signature Form’ below.

#### **Policy 1: Transport to Matches and Practice Sessions**

CCCC policy is that parents/guardians or other responsible adults are responsible for safely transporting players to and from all matches and practice sessions. Coaches and team managers are not able to take children to matches or training sessions.

#### **Policy 2: Club Changing Policy**

Children should arrive for all training sessions and fixtures in their appropriate cricket/sports kit. If children need to get changed on site, supervision of this is the responsibility of their parent or guardian. As we are a fair-weather sport, children are not anticipated to be too dirty or muddy when they finish and therefore it is assumed all showering and changing needed for the children will be done at home.

#### **Policy 3 Photography and Video**

Whilst it is not the club’s intention to prevent parents or guardians from taking pictures of, or filming, their young player whilst engaged in the club’s cricketing activities the following guidelines will be followed before pictures or filming are taken by persons other than the relevant parent or guardian. Any photos that are taken by parents or guardians that include other children in the picture should not be uploaded onto any form of social media.



Parents'/guardians' consent must be given on the child's player Signature Form (see below) before photographs or images of their young player are taken at matches, training or club related activities (eg award ceremonies). Should an opposing side wish to take photographs or images, then they will be advised of any young player for whom consent has not been given; young players will also be advised when this is happening. Should they have any concerns, these should be reported to the Coach or Team Manager.

If any concerns are raised regarding inappropriate or intrusive photography the club's Welfare Officer (Clare Gordon) or Deputy Welfare Officer are to be informed.

Should the club wish to use the photograph of a young player on the web, via the media, yearbooks or club publications, the consent of the parents, guardian and the young player will be obtained in advance. The photograph to be used will also be shown to the parents and young player. The name of the young player will *not* be given when such photographs are used.

#### **Policy 4 Safety Equipment & Sun Protection**

CCCC endorses the new guidance given by the ECB regarding helmets ([www.ecb.co.uk/helmets](http://www.ecb.co.uk/helmets)), which is as follows:

*"The ECB strongly recommends that all adult recreational cricketers should wear helmets for certain activities, preferably which meet the most recent British Safety Standard (BS7928:2013). This recommendation applies to batting against all types of bowling, wicket-keepers standing up to the wicket (who may as an alternative wear face protectors) and fielders fielding closer than eight yards from the batsman's middle stump, except behind the wicket on the off side.*

*The position in relation to u18s.... is governed by the 'ECB Guidance on the Wearing of Cricket Helmets by Young Players' ([www.ecb.co.uk/youngplayershelmetguidance](http://www.ecb.co.uk/youngplayershelmetguidance)). In essence, batsmen and wicket-keepers standing up to the stumps must wear head protection when playing or practising."*

Could parents ensure sun cream is applied to children prior to training sessions or matches, and that they have a water bottle with them. Coaches and managers are not able to apply sun cream.