

# Code of Conduct



## Objective

Membership of Warrington Sports Club (the “**Club**”) is subject to a set of Terms and Conditions that are available on the website or from the Club Secretary. The objective of this Code of Conduct is to provide guidelines to help members understand what is required of them and their guests when visiting the Club. For the purposes of this Code, reference to Members henceforth shall include both Club members and their guests.

## Conduct

### Behaviour

Members are expected to behave appropriately and politely to others in the Club. This includes guests and members of staff. Members should not act in an aggressive and unruly manner or use foul and abusive language. Members shall treat Club equipment and facilities with respect. Members are also asked to be considerate of our neighbours and keep noise to a minimum, particularly at night.

### Dress

Members should dress appropriately in the Club. Following participation in sport or training sessions, players should not enter the bar/function room/reception area in soiled, dirty or wet kit. It will be acceptable for cricketers to take tea in their kit, but only after changing footwear. Exceptionally dirty cricket wear will not be permitted.

### Food and drink

Only food and drink bought on the premises may be consumed in the Club buildings or on the balcony area. Any person found having consumed excess alcohol and causing a disturbance will be asked to leave the Club.

Underage drinking is against the law and will not be tolerated under any circumstances. Anyone found drinking or purchasing alcohol for underage persons will be subject to the Disciplinary Procedure.

### Smoking policy

Smoking on the premises and the possession and use of recreational drugs is against

the law. E-Cigarettes and vaping is also not permitted on the premises as a consideration to others. This includes changing rooms, the rear stairs, balcony and main entrance areas.

## Parents and children

Children are welcome at the Club. Parents must properly supervise their children at all times unless they are participating in sports or coaching under the control of an accredited coach/team manager. The Club is not a day nursery or crèche. Unruly behaviour will not be tolerated.

Games are not permitted in the foyer, corridors or social areas of the Clubhouse. Children must not run in these areas as this is a danger to themselves and others.

## Guests

The Club welcomes guests. It is the Club Member's responsibility to ensure any guest fees are paid in accordance with the Club Rules. Fees do not apply to members and supporters of visiting teams under the reciprocal arrangements for each sport.

## Playing sports

Only Members can play sport at the Club, use the sporting facilities (such as changing rooms), or represent the Club away from the Club in the sports that their membership entitles. Playing of sports should always take place within the rules/laws of the game and in the spirit of good sportsmanship. Consideration of the needs of other Members in other sports should also be uppermost in Members' minds.

## Access behind the bar/servery

Only staff and Senior Officers are allowed behind the Club bar or in the kitchen area.

## Car parking and car park safety

Members should park only in designated spaces/areas and not on the road or verges outside the Club entrance. Parking in the disabled space is reserved for blue badge holders only. Cars should not block the entrance way to the Club which is the access for emergency vehicles. Cars are parked at the Club entirely at the owners risk. Speeding in the car park is dangerous and totally unacceptable.

## Animals

Dogs are only allowed in permitted areas of the Clubhouse (except for registered working assistance dogs) and must access the Club by the rear steps. Other animals are not permitted in the Clubhouse. Dogs are only allowed in the elevated, non-carpeted area of the lounge bar, provided that the dogs are clean, well behaved and properly controlled. Dogs must be on a lead at all times. Dogs are not permitted on playing surfaces. Any fouling must be cleaned up by the owner/handler.

## TV/Big screen

Sporting fixtures on the big screen TVs are programmed in advance and are published on the notice boards.

## Photography

You may take photographs and video recordings in the public areas of the Club (both in the buildings and the grounds) for your own personal use, but it must be obvious to people who appear in your photographs or videos that you are doing so that they have the option not to appear in your images. You must not take photographs or videos of any children under 16 (other than your own) unless you have express permission to do so from the appropriate parent or guardian.

## Health and safety

It is essential to comply with the Club's Health & Safety Policy which is displayed in the clubhouse.

## Compliance with this code of conduct

The Code of Conduct above is designed to ensure Members enjoy the facilities and social areas of the Club to the full. Within the Club Rules, the General Committee has the power to take disciplinary action (including if necessary expulsion from the Club) against any Club Member who misconducts themselves, breaks the Club Rules or willfully damages the property of the Club.