

SVCC Code of Conduct & Set of Rules for Children

The Children Act defines a child as a person under 18 years of age.

Sevenoaks Vine Cricket Club (SVCC) is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the wellbeing of all its members. Child SVCC members are encouraged to be open at all times and to share any concerns or complaints that they may have about any aspect of the club with the Club Safeguarding Officers.

As a child member of SVCC you are expected to follow this Code of Conduct:

- Play within the rules and have fun, whilst respecting all officials and their decisions, and all the players including the ones from other teams;
- Support and encourage your team mates. Tell them when they have done well and be there for them when they are struggling;
- Be a good sport, celebrate when SVCC wins and be gracious when we lose;
- Respect and celebrate differences within SVCC – the rights, dignity and worth of all participants and not discriminate against anyone else on the grounds of gender, race, cultural background, sexual orientation, religion or ability;
- Follow the SVCC Anti-Bullying Policy and report any incidents of bullying, including homophobia and transphobia, to a coach or team manager, even if you are just a witness;
- Treat everyone with respect and appreciate that everyone has different levels of skill and talent;
- Mobile phones are not to be used or turned on in or nearby changing rooms, toilets or showers, in accordance with the SVCC Changing Room and Showering Policy;
- Children must not smoke, vape or consume alcohol/ any illegal substances on our premises or when representing SVCC;
- Make SVCC and each SVCC activity a welcoming and friendly place to be at.

As a child taking part in SVCC activities, we would also like you to:

- Keep yourself safe by listening to your coach or team manager, following their instructions, behaving responsibly and speaking out when something isn't right;
- Stay in the places where you are supposed to be, don't wander off or leave without telling your Coach, Team manager or parent/carer;
- Take care of SVCC equipment and premises as if they were your own;
- Keep to agreed timings for training and competitions or inform the coach or team manager (via their parent or carer) if they are going to be late;
- SVCC members must wear suitable kit as defined by team managers each season – including cricket spikes or other suitable footwear, helmet, batting gloves, abdominal guard and other required protection;
- Wear appropriate kit for the weather, for example a cap and sun cream when required.