



SURREY COUNTY LEAGUE **Code of Conduct 2024-5**



Our code of conduct require the highest standards of conduct from everyone involved in netball to ensure that their behaviour and actions meet the values and standards expected at all times. Everyone must conduct themselves in an honest, fair, impartial and transparent manner.

Our code of conduct is applicable to all aspects of the sport and is driven by England netball's values: respect, teamwork, achievement and fun.

I will respect:

- the rules, regulations and requirements of the sport, including, but not limited to, and competition in which I participate either directly or indirectly.

- the rights, dignity and worth of all people involved in netball, regardless of marital status, race, colour, disability, sexuality, age, occupation, religion or political opinion.

- the rights, dignity and worth of children, young people and adults at risk, and ensure that I am aware of the safeguarding best practice guidelines and procedures when interacting with them.

- confidentiality and the sensitivities of information I hold on other individuals.

- netball and the individual's reputation and not take any action or make inappropriate comments about a fellow participant, coach, official, volunteer or member of England netball's staff that will bring the sport or those associated with delivering the sport into disrepute, including making comments on social media technology. I will respect England netball guidance and policies on social media technology.

- the position I hold within netball and always conduct and dress myself in an appropriate manner.

- the result of the game and will not attempt to offer, or accept either directly or indirectly any consideration whatsoever in return for influencing or attempting to influence the result or seek to achieve personal gain on a result which I can influence by betting on any match or event where I am participating, either by playing, coaching or officiating, or through direct or indirect involvement.

Netball is based on teamwork, therefore I will:

- not abuse or misuse any relationship of trust or position of power or influence held by me in my team, club, county, region or England netball.

- be on time, dressed appropriately and ready to give my full attention to the role I am carrying out within netball.
- recognise that individuals bring different qualities and attributes but "together we will excel".
- welcome new members, volunteers, and connected participation and cooperate with members, connected participants, colleagues, coaches, officials and administrators already in the sport.

I recognise individuals participate in netball to achieve and have fun, therefore I will:

- recognise the achievements of others and applaud their success.
- endeavour to ensure that all involved in the sport optimise their potential by promoting the positive aspects of the sport and never condoning the use of inappropriate or abusive language, inappropriate relationships, bullying, harassment, discrimination or physical violence.
- not impinge on others enjoyment of the sport or my performance by consuming alcohol or smoke immediately prior to or while participating in the sport, or while safeguarding children, young people or vulnerable adults.
- ensure that everyone has the opportunity to participate in a fair, honest environment by rejecting cheating and not taking illegal substances immediately prior to or while participating in sport.
- display modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat; be sporting - whether I win or lose, always acknowledge the other team and the umpires at the end of the game with a hand shake or three cheers.
- never argue with an official or participant during a game, and listen and cooperate with officials' decisions.
- control my temper; I understand that verbal, emotional and physical abuse of officials, coaches, spectators or participants, or deliberately distracting or provoking a participant, coach or official is not acceptable behaviour in netball.
- enjoy the game and ensure others can also enjoy it.

I will endeavour to abide by this code of conduct and promote it to others. I understand that if I fail to follow the code, the England netball, regional association, county association, or league may take action against me under the disciplinary regulations which may result in sanctions fines and suspensions.