JUNIOR GROUND RULES
2026/27 Season

Aim: Provide high quality cricket experience which is fun and provides a high level of technical training to develop players skills in a safe environment. This code of conduct must be adhered for the benefit of everyone.

All players, umpires, managers, coaches, parents and spectators should:

- Respect the rules
- Respect the officials and accept their decisions
- Respect the opponent
- Have a concern for equal opportunity
- Be gracious winners and dignified losers

As Players

- Co-operate with others and treat them with respect
- Have fun, develop your own skills while accepting your limits
- Know the rules and don't cheat
- Accept the Umpire's decision without dissent, even if you do not think they are right
- Don't use coarse language or use physical contact

As Parents, Caregivers and Spectators

- Every player is required to be supervised by their appropriate adult at games
- Set a positive example and teach the values of sportsmanship
- Never argue with officials in front of players or spectators
- Never use Bad or Abusive Language towards any child, parent or official.
- Respect officials' decisions and teach children to do the same.
- Discourage a win at all costs attitude and encourage equal participation
- Remember that children are involved in organised sports for their enjoyment, not yours.
- Don't achieve your dreams by pressurising a child
- Do not force an unwilling, sick or injured child to compete in the game.
- Focus on the child's efforts and performance rather than the overall outcome of the event.
- Encourage children that being fair and developing new skills are important
- Encourage children to always participate according to the rules.
- Be positive in your comments. Never ridicule and avoid criticism
- Teach children that an honest effort is as important as victory so that the result of each game is accepted without undue disappointment.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting events.
- If you disagree with an official, use the correct protocol to address the matter. Approach the official in a break or at the end of the game. Never question an official's honesty.
- Recognise and value volunteer coaches, officials and administrators. They give of their time and resources to provide recreational activities for the children and deserve your support. Without them, your child could not participate.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every player regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
- Never consume or distribute alcohol whilst present at a game of cricket under the control of CJCA
- Do not encroach onto the training or playing area

More detail is available through the CJCA: https://www.cjca.org.nz/boys/codes-of-behaviour/

Junior Training sessions run at Elmwood Park:

Punctuality

- Please arrive prompt for the start of your session. First session please meet at the front of the Pavilion. At all times wait outside the nets until your coach comes over to your group. Note that coaches maybe training another group directly before your session, so please wait and do not disturb them.

Behavior Summary (see above)

- Respect your coach and your teammates
- Disruptive behavior is not acceptable for the sake of others
- Unacceptable behavior will not be tolerated, such as play fighting, bullying etc.
- Listen at all times to your coach, no talking when they are talking.
- No defiance.
- Unacceptable language including swearing is not to be used at any time.

Safety

- During coaching session players are supervised by club coaches, but appropriate adults are responsible for their children before and after this time or if there is a behavior issue.
- Appropriate footwear must be worn at all times, no jandles or bare feet at any time.
- It is compulsory for any children using hardballs, when batting and wicket keeping up to the stumps to wear a helmet & box (if appropriate) along with normal protective equipment.
- Only players being coached at the time are allowed in the enclosed nets.
- You must inform the coach of any injuries before and during the session. Accident report forms may need to be filled in. This can be done here: Injury form
- Once the session has finished coach's move into the next group, anyone waiting for parents must wait in front of the pavilion. No child waiting is the responsibility of the coach.

Facilities & Equipment

- Treat with care all facility and equipment. Any damage will be chargeable.
- All equipment is to be returned to its proper place after use.
- Bring your own drink, drinking water is available using the drinking fountain at the front of the pavilion.
- Gear bags are not to be left on the path or in the nets please put these on the grass outside the nets.
- No muddy shoes in the pavilion area or nets.
- There is a toilet available within the pavilion, please ask your coach before using & leave clean and tidy.

Wet weather

- All trainings are likely to be cancelled unless advised otherwise. This will be posted on the website www.facebook.com/OBCCJuniors approximately lunchtime through to the start of the session.

Note: Failure to comply will result in exclusion from activities, temporary initially or permanently for repeat offences for the benefit of others

Terms and Conditions

By registering for this season, you consent to these Terms and Conditions:

Old Boys Collegians and its officers, contractors, employees will not be liable for any physical injury or physical event you may experience or suffer, or for any other property damage whatsoever arising from your participation. All liability is excluded, and you participate at your own risk. We recommend and advise you to seek professional medical advice regarding your physical capabilities and constraints before participating in any programme or event.

Once services are confirmed you are then committing to ensure payment is made in a timely manner. Old Boys Collegians Cricket Club has a "No Pay, No Play" policy. Please also note refunds can only be given prior to the start of the first game of the season and will incur an admin fee up to $40 per refund.

From time-to-time photos/videos will be taken by officials. If you prefer not to give permission for this, please email OBC@coaching-solutions.co.nz

Privacy and database information will be used by the Old Boys Collegians to compile a membership list for communication. We may be requested by various organisations to have access to the members list for the purpose of mailing out related information. If you wish for your details not to be passed on, please email OBC@coaching-solutions.co.nz