



Code of Practice and Guidelines for

Cadet and Junior Players

Whittlesey Table Tennis Club expects that everyone involved with table tennis will: respect the rights, dignity and worth of anyone they meet within our sport; treat everyone equally regardless of age, ability, gender, race, religion, ethnic origin, social status or sexual orientation; accept it is all of our responsibility to challenge any injustice that may occur within our sport; accept that everyone has the right to be protected from abuse.

- Always do your best in every situation and set a positive example to others.
- Be punctual at all times for training and competition and be ready at the table to play.
- If you feel unwell or have an accident you should report immediately to the duty officer or one of the responsible adults.
- Treat both the competition and training venues with respect and always leave kit bags neatly where they will not cause an obstruction to others.
- Once at the competition playing arena no player should leave the venue unless given specific permission or instructions by one of the responsible adults.
- Players must be responsible for ensuring that they arrive at either the competition or training venues with all their correct kit and equipment and must be responsible for their belongings.
- No player should take or in any way interfere with another person's property or belongings.
- Always obey any instructions given by one of the responsible adults.
- Be courteous and polite to all the people you meet whilst a member of the squad, particularly your opponents, practice partners, coaches and fellow team and squad members. This also includes negative body language whilst on the table tennis table.
- Take responsibility for yourself in and out of competition and training and always be aware of your personal safety as you would at home i.e. do not talk to strangers, do not get into a vehicle with a stranger.

- Always respect and never underestimate your opponents.
- Always encourage and support your fellow team members at all times without behaving in an unsporting manner towards their opponents.
- Bullying (verbal and physical) of fellow team/squad members or opponents will not be tolerated under any circumstances.
- Never use inappropriate language.
- Resist any temptation to take banned substances.