



Wakefield Wildcats Netball Club

Duty of Care

In accordance with England Netball regulations and our responsibility for Duty of Care it is essential that all Wakefield Wildcats members and their parents, carers and supporters are aware of England Netball's Codes of Conduct and follow them accordingly. Breaches of these Codes of Conduct/Misconduct by members can result in disciplinary action which could include fines and suspension of membership.

CODES OF CONDUCT FOR ATHLETES

England Netball's Codes of Conduct require the highest standards of conduct from everyone involved in netball to ensure that their behaviour and actions always meet the values and standards expected.

EVERYONE must conduct themselves in an honest, fair, impartial, and transparent manner.

England Netball's Codes of Conduct are applicable to all aspects of the Sport and are driven by EN's Values (Respect, Teamwork, Achievement and Fun) and the Guiding Principles (set out above).

I will Respect:

- The rules, regulations, and requirements of the Sport, including, but not limited to, any competitions in which I participate either directly or indirectly.
- The rights, dignity and worth of all people involved in netball, regardless of any protected characteristic (age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation).
- 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 fellow participant, coach, official, volunteer or member of England Netball's staff that will bring the Sport of those associated with delivering the Sport into

disrepute, including making comments on social media technology. I will respect EN's 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 will not attempt to offer or accept either directly or indirectly any consideration whatsoever in return for influencing or attempting to influence the result of 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, be that my playing team, Club, County, Regional 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 Sport.

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

- Recognise the achievements of others and applaud their successes.
- Endeavour to ensure that all involved in the Sport optimise their potential by promoting the positive aspects of the sport and never condone 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 alcoholic drinks, smoke or vape 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, abiding by the Anti-Doping policies and not taking illegal substances immediately prior to or while participating in the 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 handshake or three cheers.
- Never argue with an official or participant during a game and listen to 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 or permitted behaviour in netball.
- Enjoy the game and ensure others can also enjoy it.

As a player I will NOT:

- Pressure my teammates in any way.
- Use inappropriate language, harass athletes, coaches, officials, or spectators.
- Criticise or ridicule other athletes for making a mistake or losing after the game.
- Force any teammate if they are unwilling to participate in the sport.

- Arrive at a netball activity under the influence of alcohol or drugs and I will not smoke or vape whilst at a training or competition facility.
- Consume illegal substances either immediately prior to or while being at a netball activity where I am participating in the sport.
- Use Social Media technology to bring the game into disrepute or make an inappropriate comment about an athlete, coach, official, volunteer or member of England Netball staff.

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, the Regional Association, or the County Association may take action against me under the Disciplinary Regulations which may result in Sanctions including fines and membership suspension.