

Code of Conduct

Rochdale Netball Club requires the highest standards of conduct from everyone involved in the Club. This code of conduct describes the behaviours and standards expected from all involved with the Club to ensure they always meet the Club's standards and values as well as those of England Netball.

The Club will:

- Encourage and promote the love of netball at every opportunity, showing respect for all involved.
- Provide a safe, fun and inclusive environment in which to play netball, ensuring all health & safety and safeguarding procedures are adhered to and prioritised and all players are treated fairly and equally.
- Provide qualified and experienced coaches that want to continue developing themselves as well as others.
- Communicate openly and effectively with players, parents, and carers.
- Demonstrate patience, encouragement, and motivation to the players.
- Recognise that as coaches and volunteers we are role models to young people and accept the responsibilities that come with this.
- Listen to player/parental concerns and work together to resolve any issues raised.
- Encourage parental involvement within the club, at matches and in training.
- Provide opportunities for players to take part in netball at a level and standard that suits their ability whilst always striving for improvement.
- Celebrate development, success, failure, victory and defeat

Players will:

- Adhere to the rules, regulations and requirements of Netball as defined by England Netball during all activities and respect the instructions and decisions of coaches, team managers and officials during training and matches.
- Show respect to all people involved in netball including players, match officials, volunteers and opposing players.
- Take responsibility for their own actions and behaviours when in a netball environment and not take any action that may bring the Club or the sport into disrepute – this includes use of appropriate language on and off the court and on social media.
- Be on time, be dressed appropriately and ready to give my full attention to my role as a player.
- Recognise that we are all unique and bring different qualities and attributes to the game and that 'together we will excel'.
- Welcome new members and volunteers to the Club openly and willingly.
- Acknowledge the achievements of others and celebrate their success, display modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat; be sporting – whether I win or lose; always

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acknowledging the other team and the umpires at the end of a game with a handshake or three cheers.

- Control my temper and remember that verbal, emotional and physical abuse of officials, coaches, spectators, or participants, or deliberately provoking a participant, coach or official is not acceptable or permitted behaviour.
- Not consume alcohol, illegal drugs or smoke immediately prior to or while participating in netball
- Enjoy the game and ensure others can enjoy it too.

Parent/Carers will:

- Encourage my child to learn the rules of the game and play within them to maximum enjoyment.
- Respect officials' and coaches' decisions always and encourage this attitude in your child.
- Respect and understand that all club roles are voluntary and decisions are made to support your child's development and netball journey.
- Support my child's efforts and performance, give positive comments that motivate and encourage continued effort and learning and recognise progress not just results.
- Understand that competition is about winning and losing, so results are always accepted without undue disappointment, pressure punishment.
- Be a positive role model to my child by demonstrating good sportsmanship and applauding good performance of all players.
- Use correct and appropriate language and behaviour at all times, including on social media so as not to bring the sport or Club into disrepute.
- Share praise and positive feedback during match play and don't micro-coach
- Follow appropriate procedure for raising a concern and encourage players to do the same.
- Not arrive at any netball activity under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- Promote this code of conduct to other parents, carers, and supporters.

Signed..... **Date**.....

Position Player/Parent/Coach/Official (circle the appropriate)