



Doncaster Town Cricket Club

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Anti-Bullying Policy

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Doncaster Town Cricket Club (DTCC) is committed to providing a caring, friendly, and safe space for everyone to experience cricket in a friendly, secure, and enjoyable environment.

Bullying of any kind is unacceptable and will not be tolerated by Doncaster Town CC

If bullying does occur, the person subjected to the bullying should be able to report it with confidence that incidents will be dealt with promptly and effectively. We encourage anyone who knows or suspects that bullying is happening to speak to one of our Club Safeguarding Officers.

- All club staff and volunteers should know our policy on bullying and follow it when bullying is reported
- All children and parents/carers should be aware of our policy on bullying and what they should do if bullying occurs
- We take bullying seriously. Children and parents/carers should be assured they will be supported when bullying is reported

What is Bullying?

Bullying is intentional behaviour that hurts someone else. It includes name calling, hitting, pushing, spreading rumours, threatening, or undermining someone. It can happen anywhere, including at home, at cricket or online. It is usually a repeated behaviour and can hurt someone both emotionally and physically.

Bullying can be:

- Emotional: being unfriendly, excluding, tormenting (hiding kit, threatening gestures, commenting negatively on performance)
- Physical: pushing, kicking, hitting, punching, or any use of violence
- Discriminatory: relating to someone's protected characteristics
- Sexual: unwanted physical contact or sexually abusive comments
- Verbal: name-calling, sarcasm, spreading rumours, teasing
- Online: via messages or social media.

Why is it Important to Respond to Bullying?

Bullying hurts. No one deserves to be a victim of bullying. Everybody has the right to be treated with respect. In situations where children are bullying other children, this should be addressed immediately, and their behaviour discussed with their parents.



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All members of our club and the cricket clubs associated to the ECB, have a responsibility to respond promptly and effectively to issues of bullying towards children.

Signs And Symptoms:

A person may indicate they are being bullied by signs or behaviour. You should speak with our Club Safeguarding Officer if someone:

- Says they are being bullied
- Changes their usual routine
- Is unwilling to go to the club
- Becomes withdrawn, anxious, or lacking in confidence
- Comes home with clothes torn or belongings damaged
- Has possessions which are damaged or "go missing"
- Asks for money or starts stealing money (to pay the bully)
- Has unexplained cuts or bruises
- Is frightened to say what's wrong
- Gives improbable excuses for any of the above.



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