

Code of Conduct: Players

Who does this apply to?

Reading Hockey Club adheres to the England Hockey Codes of Conduct.

The content of this Code of Behaviour is an extension of the Generic Code of Behaviour and it applies to all Players involved in hockey in England.

The parts in bold italics highlight the specific elements which apply to this particular group.

In order to protect the reputation of hockey in England, the code also applies to all those associated with EH who are involved in hockey whilst outside of England.

Expected minimum standards of behaviour and conduct

All such individuals involved in hockey will, at all times:

- Respect the spirit of fair play in hockey. This is more than playing within the rules. It also incorporates the concepts of friendship, respect for others and always participating with the right spirit.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of others.
 - Respect umpires, officials, coaches, players and spectators.
- Conduct themselves in a manner that takes all reasonable measures to protect their own safety and the safety of others.
- Never participate when under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- Promote the reputation of the sport and take all possible steps to prevent it from being brought into disrepute.
 - Accept success and failure, victory and defeat, with dignity.
 - Set a positive example for others, particularly young participants and spectators.
- Protect others involved in the game from verbal or physical abuse and threatening or intimidating behaviour.
- Never use inappropriate language or gestures.
 - Never use foul, sexist, abusive, racist or any prejudicial language or tolerate it from players and/or team officials.
- Abide by the EH Safeguarding and Protecting Young People in Hockey Policy and Procedures and Good Practice Guidelines.
- Abide by the EH Equality Policy.
- Abide by the EH Anti-doping Rules.
- Take personal responsibility to ensure that they are suitably insured for their activities.