

Burnham Cricket Club – Drug Policy

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Purpose

Burnham Cricket Club is committed to providing a safe, healthy, and enjoyable environment for all players, members, spectators, and visitors. This policy sets out the club's position on illegal drug use and misuse of substances, both on and off the premises, while representing the club.

Policy Statement

Burnham Cricket Club has a zero-tolerance policy regarding the use, possession, distribution, or being under the influence of illegal drugs or controlled substances at the club, during matches, training sessions, events, or while representing the club in any capacity.

Key Rules

1. Prohibited Substances

- The use, possession, sale, or distribution of illegal drugs or non-prescribed controlled substances is strictly forbidden on all club property, including the clubhouse, grounds, car park, and changing rooms.
- Members must not attend any club activity under the influence of illegal drugs or misused substances.

2. Prescription Medication

 Members who are required to take prescription medication must do so responsibly and ensure it does not impair their ability to participate safely in cricket activities.

3. Club Representation

- Players and members are expected to behave responsibly and professionally when representing Burnham Cricket Club at external matches, tours, or functions.
- Any involvement with drugs while representing the club will be treated as a serious breach of conduct.

4. Safeguarding Junior Members

• The club prioritizes the safety and wellbeing of junior members. Any use or presence of drugs around youth players or junior events will be met with immediate action and may be reported to the relevant authorities.

5. Disciplinary Action



- Any breach of this policy may result in:
 - Immediate suspension from club activities
 - Permanent expulsion from the club
 - Notification to law enforcement, if necessary

6. Support and Education

• The club encourages members facing substance misuse issues to seek help. Support and guidance may be offered in a confidential and non-judgmental manner where appropriate.

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