



Milton Keynes Angling Association

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ADB Code of Conduct for Officials

Milton Keynes Angling Association are committed to maintaining the highest possible standards of conduct, behaviour and ethical values in the sport. As a result the Association have the following codes of conduct for officials.

Team/Club Officials

A team official should:

- Set a positive example for others, particularly young participants and spectators.
- Promote and develop his own team having regard to the interest of the Players, Supporters and reputation of the national game.
- Share knowledge and experience when invited to do so, taking into account the interest of the body that has requested this rather than personal interests.
- Avoid all forms of gamesmanship.
- Show due respect to Match Officials and others involved in the sport.
- Always have regard to the best interests of the sport, including where publicly expressing an opinion of the sport and any particular aspect of it, including others involved in the sport.
- Not use or tolerate inappropriate language.
- Make every effort to develop the sporting, technical and tactical levels of the club/team, and to obtain the best results by the team, using all permitted means.
- Give priority to the interests of the team over individual interests.
- Resist all illegal or unsporting influences, including banned substances and techniques and show commitment to fair play/participation at all times.
- Promote ethical principles and do not discriminate on the basis of gender, age, race, colour, disability, sexual orientation or religion.
- Show due respect to the interests of players, coaches and other officials, at their own club/team and others.
- Show due respect to the interests of spectators.
- Accept the decisions of the Match Official without protest.
- Avoid words or actions which may mislead a Match Official.
- Show due respect towards Match Officials.
- Respect the rights of and value all children within the sport – team officials should:
 - Never force children to take part in sport;
 - Respect the rights of all children to participate.
 - Not shout and scream, use correct and proper language at all times



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- and communicate in a manner which reflects respect & care;
- Never punish or belittle a child for losing or making mistakes;
- Give encouragement to everyone to participate in angling;

- Treat other adults and children with dignity, respect, sensitivity and fairness.

Match Officials

A match official should:

- Set a positive example for others, particularly participants, spectators and team officials
- Share knowledge and experience when invited to do so, where appropriate and where within the rules of the sport.
- Never condone any forms of gamesmanship.
- Show due respect to Team Officials and others involved in the sport.
- Always have regard to the best interests of the sport, including where publicly expressing an opinion of the sport and any particular aspect of it, including others involved in the sport.
- Not use or tolerate inappropriate language.
- Give priority to the interests of the team over individual interests.
- Not tolerate the use of banned techniques or methods and show commitment to fair play/participation at all times.
- Promote ethical principles and do not discriminate on the basis of gender, age, race, colour, disability, sexual orientation or religion.
- Show due respect to the interests of players, coaches and other officials.
- Show due respect to the interests of spectators.
- Avoid words or actions which may mislead a Team Official.
- Respect the rights of and value all children within the sport – match officials should:
 - Never force children to take part in sport;
 - Respect the rights of all children to participate.
 - Not shout and scream, use correct and proper language at all times and communicate in a manner which reflects respect & care;
 - Never punish or belittle a child for losing or making mistakes;
 - Give encouragement to everyone to participate in angling;

- Treat other adults and children with dignity, respect, sensitivity and fairness.

The official's code of conduct applies to all those who officiate within the Association and within the Affiliated Clubs.

Breaches of the code of conduct and discriminatory, offensive and violent behaviour will not be tolerated and complaints will be acted upon by the Association.