



Hermanus Chess Club - Code of Conduct

By joining or continuing your membership of Hermanus Chess Club you agree to follow the club's Code of Conduct as laid out in this document. Failure to abide by the code of conduct may lead to exclusion from club activities, and in severe cases expulsion from the club.

According to the HCC Code of Conduct:

Club members understand that they are expected to pay their membership fees and that if they do not pay their membership fees they are not entitled to take part in the activities of the club.

HCC members and officials will:

- Observe high standards of sportsmanship and behavior both during games and generally when engaging with other HCC club members and those from other clubs.
- Treat all members of the club, as you would like to be treated. Do not interfere with, bully or take advantage of another person.
- Cooperate with club officials, teammates and others.
- Show respect for fellow players and club members and be on time for matches.
- NOT present to play or train in an intoxicated state.
- NOT make racially abusive comments nor indulge in racially abusive actions against fellow players, officials, members and supporters.
- NOT abuse or make fun of fellow club members, players, officials and opponents based on their nationality, race, ethnicity, gender, religious affiliation or background.
- Display self-control at all times. Verbal abuse of other players, or deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent is neither acceptable nor condoned.
- NOT argue with officials.
- NOT vent frustrations or complaints about HCC activities on the club Whatsapp group or Facebook page. All complaints should be addressed to the Secretary or Chairman.
- Accept decisions handed down by the Club Committee.
- Misconduct and disciplinary actions

Any misconduct will be dealt with by the committee. Complaints must be provided to the Chairman in writing. All affected parties will be required to submit written presentations regarding the matter at hand. Based on these submissions, the committee will make a decision. Once a decision is made the concerned parties will be informed thereof. The decision is final and binding.

The undersigned HCC member (or his/her guardian) understands all the contents of this document and will abide by the HCC Code of Conduct.
