# Code of Conduct for Players and State Boards



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The code of conduct is being developed by Cricket Association for the blind in India (CABI) for its affiliated states and it will be binding on all registered players through their respected state boards. It is the responsibility of each state board to bring the content of the code of conduct to the notice of all registered players.

### **GUIDELINES FOR THE PLAYERS**

- 1.1 Player should be associated with any state boards which should be affiliated to Cricket Association for the blind in India [CABI] to play any state, zonal, national or international tournament.
- 1.2The condition He / She cannot play any other tournament which is not being organized by CABI or its affiliates.
- 1.3If any player wants to change his/her state to play cricket tournament, he/she has to take No objection certificate {NOC} from existing state board and he/she should serve a particular state for minimum for 3 years. It is in the state's jurisdiction to give NOC to a player at that particular time. The window for obtaining NOC from any state will be opened from 1<sup>st</sup> June till 31<sup>st</sup> July every year.
- 1.43 years of affiliation with a particular state may be removed by the concerned state if the player is migrating to other state for education / job / marriage / any medical emergency.
- 1.5If NOC is not received and any objection gets raised by the board during any match/tournament, the player will not be allowed to take part in that match/tournament and disciplinary action can be taken against the player and the new state which selected the player without NOC.
- 1.6Consumption of licker/alcohol and tobacco products is prohibited during the tournaments and coaching camps. If any player is found guilty he/she will be banned from matches / tournaments at least for 1 year which may be decided by the disciplinary committee.
- 1.7Player should respect cricket board, senior players, coach, manager and management and which is not limited to the ground.
- 1.8No state/international player is allowed to interact with any kind of media without prior permission of state board/CABI and he/she should restrain himself/herself from passing any derogatory remarks against teammates/board/CABI.

- 1.9Playersare bound to follow rules/guidelines laid down by State board/CABI during camps/tournaments.
- 1.10 The decision of match officials given during any match will be bound on the player/teams and they will have to respect it without fail. they can give their representation to the organizing board/CABI. If any player is found guilty of not accepting the decision and passing any comments, can be banned at least for 2 years which may be decided by the disciplinary committee.
- 1.11 An independent body will be appointed by the board/CABI to organize hearing for the players.
- 1.12 Though it is the responsibility of organizing board/CABI to adopt all security measures but for player's safety no player will be allowed on ground without proper uniform including shoes and a player will have to take all personal safety measures.
- 1.13 International players are not allowed to wear Indian jersey during any event/party or during any other occasion and if it is required for any photo/video shoot for promotion of cricket for blind, permission should be obtained from CABI well in advance.
- 1.14 If any player / state wants to change the category of a player, permission from CABI's sight classification committee should be obtained by submitting proper documents such as sight classification form and a request letter.

## Guidelines for the State Association/State Boards

- 2.1State boards are required to pay the registration fee/annual renewal fee to CABI on time otherwise CABI can deny state's entry to a tournament and may end the state's affiliation.
- 2.2States are required to complete their registration process as per the rules/regulations in their particular states.
- 2.3State boards has to follow all the rules and regulations of CABI after receiving affiliation from CABI.
- 2.4State boards has to take permission from CABI to organize any tournament, if not done then CABI can ask for the acceptable explanation else disciplinary action can be taken against that state.

- 2.5The permission for organizing any tournament should be applied well in advance and at least 15 days before the start of tournament. Concerned CABI official will have to allow / disallow the state within the maximum time frame of 7 days else it will be taken as granted.
- 2.6If any state accepts invitation and take part in any tournament from other state without CABI's permission, the disciplinary action can also be taken against the guest state.
- 2.7States are not allowed to send their teams to non-CABI tournaments and should take disciplinary action against players if they play such tournaments.
- 2.8If any state invites other state to play any tournament and cancels the tournament, the host state should bare the financial loss for the expenses done towards travel arrangements by the guest.
- 2.9It is also mandatory for all the state boards to attend CABI's Annual general meeting as well as other meetingscalled by CABI during any emergency.
- 2.10 Any state board should not be affiliated or linked with any political organization/party.
- 2.11 State board should acknowledgeCABI and its contribution made towards the development of cricket for blind while talking to media.
- 2.12 State board members should not speak against CABI with media and at the public places.
- 2.13 If above rules will not be followed by state boards, then board can be suspended for minimum 2 years or any suitable action can be taken.
- 2.14 After the suspension of any board, their team cannot participate in CABI's tournaments.
- 2.15 During 2 years'suspension, if board consistently doesn't follow the guideline of CABI, then board can be suspended for life time.
- 2.16 During the suspension of 2 years, if state board follows the guidelines of CABI, then board can approach to CABI to reduce suspensiontime of state board, however any International players can be called back by CABI for any international tournament even during the state's suspension.
- 2.17 CABI will appoint an autonomous body to reconsider suspension of state board.

- 2.18 The tournaments will be monitored by a committee and if any player will be found guilty of using unfair practices, he / she can be asked to go for a medical checkup and if 2 players under any category from any state will be declared unfit to play under a particular category, the state will be disqualified from the tournament.
- 2.19 All states should have presence on social media and should promote cricket for blind and related activities to attract general public.

## Guidelines to Organize Tournaments

- 3.1Standardized accommodation and food should be provided by the organizer to the teams.
- 3.2Organizers should arrange proper cricket groundsfor any tournament.
- 3.3If ground is far from the accommodation, then there should be transport facility for the teams.
- 3.4Sufficient volunteers should be available during the tournament to support teams and organizers.
- 3.5Neutral empires and trained scorers should be available during the tournament and scoring should be done off-line and online for proper upkeep of record.
- 3.6There should be proper arrangements to maintain cleanness of the ground and accommodation.
- 3.7Medical team should be available at the ground to prevent major injuries.
- 3.8Sufficient water and soft drink should be available at the ground for the players and support staff.
- 3.9CABI may send an inspection team to the state and if above conditions are not met by the organizers, then they will not be permitted to organize the tournament.
- 3.10 CABI will appoint an observer / referee to monitor the entire tournament and if a state violates the rules/regulations laid down by CABI then state can be banned at least for 2 years which can be reduced/increased based on the performance of the state.

3.11 The organizing state will have to bare the expenses of observer / referee and should be called from the nearest state from the place of the tournament.

#### General Guidelines

- 3.12 All the matches should be played according to the international guidelines.
- 3.13 Organizers can make necessary changes during the tournament after the discussion with monitoring committee of CABI.
- 3.14 All teams should reachto get in to the ground at the time required by the match authority. Every day, the teams to play the match are supposed to reach at the ground at least 30 minutes before the start of play. All the team members should be there in the ground from morning to evening upto the completion of the presentation ceremony and any team member wish to go out of the ground has to take permission of the venue manager recruited by the match authority.
- 3.15 No international / senior player can deny his / her presence during the pre-match / post match ceremony and necessary disciplinary action can be taken by the state if any player fails to follow the rule.
- 3.16 Every team will have to put up a person as manager of coach, who will speak on any issue related with the team in matters of matches, lodging facilities, disciplinary matters, financial affairs and any other thing related to the organizing of the tournament. The match authority will not allow or entertain any other team member to speak on the above mentioned matter. The match authority will neither allow teams to argue among themselves regarding the same. The captains of the teams will be entertained along with the coach or the manager. The match authority will not allow unauthorized interaction between teams and media personalities.
- 3.17 The teams should be strictly instructed to be well behaved in the presence of guests and V I Ps.

- 3.18 The players will be individually responsible for their personal belongings and gadgets like mobile sets, computers and laptops.
- 3.19 The teams should not bring players who are ill, indisposed or unfit before the matches begin. The organizing committee will be responsible only for injuries and illnesses happen during the matches. Players and team officials are advised to bring with them all the permanent medicines if they are using them.
- 3.20 All the teams should bring copy of disability certificates along with the sight classification form given by CABI for all players during the tournaments.
- 3.21 In case of any complaint about the vision of any player, organizers can arrange medical test for that player.
- 3.22 Point no 4.9 will not be applicable for international players who has already got medical clearance during the international tournaments.
- 3.23 Those players who has not cleared medical test during the international tournaments, they will not be allow to play any tournament.
- 3.24 Team's manager can check identity cards of their opponent players in case of any doubt about the player's identity.
- 3.25 If CABI receives any complaint by the players and members against any board, then CABI can conduct investigation against the state board.
- 3.26 Decisions of empires and referees will be the final during the tournaments.
- 3.27 In case of any discrepancy, CABI's final decision will be final and acceptable for all.
- 3.28 If above rules will not follow by the any association/players, they will be banned for minimum 2 years.