

Oxford Softball Association (including OSL) Code of Conduct 2025

Everyone involved in the sport of softball, on and off the field, including players, umpires, coaches and spectators are expected to demonstrate exemplary behaviour in order to promote the sport and ensure that all participants (children and adults) can play in a safe and secure environment.

- Making the sport fun and enjoyable and promoting fair play.
- Respect for others and always participating with the right spirit.
- Displaying and promoting high standards of behaviour.
- Respect and co-operate with umpires, officials, coaches, players and spectators.
- Respecting the decisions of umpires and never publicly criticising them.
- Never engaging in or tolerating offensive, insulting or abusive language , gestures or behaviour
- Avoid bullying, intimidation and poor behaviour.
- Refrain from making sexist or racist jokes, jokes about a particular sexual orientation, or jokes about an athlete, Coach's, or other participant's ability.
- Do not tolerate acts of aggression
- Protect others involved in the game from verbal or physical abuse and threatening or intimidating behaviour.
- Act with honesty and integrity and take responsibility for your own actions.
- 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.
- Abide by the BSUK Safeguarding Policy and Procedures
- Abide by the BSUK Diversity, Equality and Inclusion Policy.
- Abide by the BSUK Anti-doping Policy.