



# THAMES VALLEY CRICKET LEAGUE



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## Warning to all Member Clubs on Social Media Usage

Any comments on social media or member clubs' own websites, which are disrespectful to clubs, teams, players and individuals within the TVCL community, will lead to disciplinary action. The Management Committee reminds all Member Clubs of the following clauses in our Discipline & Complaints Procedure:

### At all times:

- 2.1.8. *Participants shall not make any public or media comment which is detrimental to the TVCL, Member Clubs, umpires or the game in general. In this instance, media shall include press, radio, television, external websites, club websites, social networking sites and club match day programmes.*
- 2.1.9. *Participants shall not subsequently disclose or comment upon any alleged breach of this Code outside of these procedures.*
- 2.1.10. *Member Clubs must take adequate steps to ensure the good behaviour of its Participants.*

All Member Clubs must inform all their Members about this prohibition. This is to ensure all Participants think twice before quoting / posting any potentially defamatory remarks in public media, and which may lead to them being subject to a breach of the League's Code of Conduct.

If any club or player has cause for a complaint, it must be made through official channels (email / letter in writing) from the Member Club's Officials to the League Secretary, as per D&C clauses 4.3 or 4.4. Any other communication format will be disregarded for this purpose.

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Hon. Secretary