



Essex County Cricket Club Ground Regulations

- 1) All matches are played in accordance with the rules and regulations of the England and Wales Cricket Board. The Ground Regulations apply to all Essex 1st Team home venues.
- 2) Play cannot be guaranteed on any day.
- 3) Refund of admission charges will not be made, unless otherwise advised at the time of ticket purchase. In certain circumstances and at the discretion of the management of the club rain check tickets may be issued in the event of there being very little play on any one day. Some matches, under the jurisdiction of the England and Wales Cricket Board may be covered by 'Raincheck Schemes', details of which will be printed on the admission ticket.
- 4) All persons entering the ground shall have both paid for admission and received an appropriate ticket or be in possession of a currently valid membership card or pass.
- 5) Admission and the right to remain in the ground is strictly on the condition that spectators shall not commit any of the following acts:
 - a) Failing to comply with the directions given by a member of the ground authority including, but not limited to, stewards, security staff and Police Officers.
 - b) Going onto the playing area at any time or interfering with the normal course of play in any manner. (On some match days, spectators may walk on the outfield or play using soft balls during the lunch and tea intervals).
 - c) Throwing or discharging missiles.
 - d) Obstructing any gangway, passageway, or alleyway.
 - e) Climbing on any building, wall or fence.
 - f) Defacing or obscuring any notice or advertisement displayed within the Club premises.
 - g) Offering for sale on the ground any newspapers, periodicals, or any other articles without the express permission of the Club management.
 - h) Interfering in any way with the comfort, enjoyment or safety of spectators or players, including:
 - i) Singing indecent or racist songs, or using indecent or racist language, or making indecent gestures.
 - ii) Making unnecessary noise such as that from the use of radios, whistles, bells, cans or persistent chanting, in any part of the ground
 - iii) Unreasonably obstructing the view of other spectators.
 - iv) Carrying offensive weapons of any kind.
 - v) Causing damage to, including writing upon, any of the Club's premises.
- 6) The club reserves the right to:
 - a) Close bars at any time and restrict the consumption of alcohol
 - b) Refuse admission to any person.
 - c) Limit the importation of alcohol into the ground is limited to four cans of beer or lager or one bottle of wine per person except as provided for in regulation 7.
This is at the management's discretion.
- 7) The importation of alcohol is banned for all domestic Twenty20 matches.
- 8) Glass bottles & Glass drinking vessels must not be brought into the ground at Twenty20, tourist or televised matches.
- 9) During the hours of play, radios may only be used with earpieces or headphones.
- 10) Mobile telephones must not be used in seated areas of the ground.
- 11) The Club accepts no responsibility for loss or damage to property or injury to persons whilst on the club's premises.
- 12) It is not permissible to add to the height of a seat on the ground by using any method which obstructs the view of those seated behind (this includes the practice of stacking chairs).
- 13) The reserving of seats for friends not on the ground is not within the spirit of fair play to fellow spectators. All visitors are therefore asked to show consideration for others in not blocking more than one seat for this purpose and the Club reserves the right to remove items 'reserving' such seats.
- 14) To comply with The Health Act 2006 Essex County Cricket Club has adopted a smoking ban in all stands, seated areas, enclosed areas, buildings, doorways, staircases and all food & drink dispensing areas. Smoking will only be permitted in other areas of the ground (i.e. pathways & car park).
- 15) Spectators are not allowed on the outfield, at any time, during Twenty20, tourist and televised matches

THE GROUND AUTHORITY, STEWARDS, SECURITY STAFF OR POLICE WILL ASK ANY OFFENDER CONTRAVENING THE GROUND REGULATIONS TO LEAVE THE GROUND AND THEY WILL NOT BE RE-ADMITTED AND COULD BE LIABLE FOR PROSECUTION.