



## **European Cricket Network**

### **Anti-Corruption Code of Practice for Participants**

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## 1. Introduction, Scope and Application

- 1.1. For the purposes of the European Cricket Network (“**ECN**”) Code of Practice, a (“**Participant**”) shall include:
  - 1.1.1. any **Player** who is nominated to play, is playing, or who has played in an ECN Match or Event;
  - 1.1.2. any **Player Support Personnel**, who is nominated by a team, club or National Cricket Federation, including any coach, trainer, manager, selector, team owner or official, doctor, physiotherapist, dietitian, fitness or any other health related advisor or any other person who is employed or engaged by, represents or is otherwise affiliated to a team that participates in ECN Matches; and/or
  - 1.1.3. any **Match Referee, Pitch Curator, Player Agent, Umpire or Umpire Support Personnel**.
- 1.2. The ECN, as an entertainment medium for promoting and presenting European cricket to the World, has adopted this Anti-Corruption Code of Practice in recognition of the following fundamental sporting imperatives:
  - 1.2.1. All cricket matches are to be contested on a level playing field, with the outcome to be determined solely by the respective merits of the competing teams and to remain uncertain until the cricket match is completed. This is the essential characteristic that gives sport its unique appeal.
  - 1.2.2. Public confidence in the authenticity and integrity of the sporting contest is vital. If that confidence is undermined, then the very essence of cricket and ECN’s commercial credibility will be questioned.
  - 1.2.3. Advancing technology and increasing popularity have led to a substantial increase in the amount, and the sophistication, of betting on cricket matches. The development of new betting products have all increased the potential for the development of corrupt betting practices. This increases the risk that attempts will be made by corrupt persons or organisations to involve Participants in corrupt conduct for betting or other corrupt purposes.
  - 1.2.4. Furthermore, the nature of this type of corruption is such that it is carried out undercover and in secret thereby creating significant challenges for the game and for the ECN.
  - 1.2.5. Therefore, to the extent to which it is able, the ECN will not tolerate any potential for or the undertaking of corrupt conduct during an ECN Event.
- 1.3. The ECN hereby reserves the right:
  - 1.3.1. to reject the nomination of any person/s to take part in any ECN Event;
  - 1.3.2. to remove any Participant/s from an ECN Event; and
  - 1.3.3. to permanently exclude any person or former Participant from future ECN Events.

- 1.4. The ECN shall formally notify the team, club, the National Cricket Federation and the International Cricket Council upon rejection of a nominated Participant or the exclusion (temporary or permanent) of a Participant as soon as reasonably possible under the circumstances existing at the time.
- 1.5. The ECN shall provide reasons for its rejection of any nominated Participant or its exclusion (temporary or permanent) of a Participant from an ECN Event to the ICC and the relevant National Cricket Federation in its formal notification under subsection 1.4 above.
- 1.6. The ECN is under no obligation to advise individuals or teams of the reasons for rejection or exclusion of nominated Participants or Participants from ECN Events.
- 1.7. By virtue of a written agreement between the ECN and the International Cricket Council ("ICC"), the ICC Anti-Corruption Unit, under the provisions of the ICC Anti-Corruption Code, will conduct any investigation warranted by the rejection or exclusion of nominated Participants or Participants from ECN Events.

## **2. International Cricket Council (Anti-Corruption Unit) Anti-Corruption Code**

- 2.1. For the information of all Participants, under the ICC ACU Anti-Corruption Code:
  - 2.1.1. All Participants (players, team staff, match officials, player agents) are bound by the ICC or relevant Domestic Anti-Corruption Code - everyone must know their Anti-Corruption Code responsibilities; ignorance is not a defence.
  - 2.1.2. The offences under the ICC ACU Anti-Corruption Code relate to:
    - Match fixing / spot fixing
    - Betting on cricket
    - Misuse of inside information
    - Failing to report an 'approach' or corrupt conduct to the ICC ACU
    - Failing to cooperate with, or obstructing an investigation or proceedings.
- 2.2. Participants must not engage in any form of corrupt conduct (match-fixing and spot-fixing).
- 2.3. Participants must report all approaches, or information regarding corrupt conduct, or invitations to engage in corrupt conduct, to the appropriate ACU, without unnecessary delay.
- 2.4. Participants must not bet on any cricket game, anywhere, anytime. The use of 'inside information' for betting purposes, including disclosure of any information to any other person, knowing it might be used for the purpose of betting is also prohibited.
- 2.5. Giving or accepting any gift, and failure to disclose a gift (value as per the code), to the appropriate ACU, is an offence when there are circumstances that will bring the

participant or cricket into disrepute.

- 2.6. As soon as a participant agrees, or attempts, to commit an Anti-Corruption Code offence, they are liable for the consequences of the offence, regardless whether or not it happened.
- 2.7. If a participant knowingly assists, encourages, aids or covers-up any of the Anti-Corruption Code offences, they shall be treated as if they had committed the offence themselves, and punished the same.
- 2.8. Should you have any concerns, queries or feedback, contact the ECN Match Referee or the ICC ACU via the ICC Integrity App, mobile Hotline or email.