

# **UNIVERSITY OF LEICESTER MIXED HOCKEY CLUB**

## **CODE OF PRACTICE**

### **INFORMATION TO MEMBERS**

Both written and verbal information will be given to all members on joining the club and at the first training session.

Distribution of information is the responsibility of the club officers on the club's stall at Freshers' Fair, and after that it becomes the responsibility of the Club Captain.

Communication within the club during the season is via e-mail, the club pigeonhole, or telephone.

### **INFORMATION GIVEN**

The following information at least should be present on the handout and be readily available from committee members:

Fixtures  
Training times

### **TRAINING & TEAM SELECTION**

Training sessions are run at the discretion of the club committee and they, along with the coach, choose activities within those sessions.

Training, where possible, is given to less able players to help them achieve a level where they are comfortable playing and have a safe knowledge of the game.

Some training is given by more experienced members of the club and new members must be made aware that these may not have recognised qualifications.

Training will include safety issues.

Team selection is made by team captains and is based on ability. Any player deemed unable to compete safely will not be allowed to play.

### **EQUIPMENT**

Any equipment supplied by the club will be to the appropriate standards required by the rules of the game and guidelines set out by England Hockey.

Some equipment may be available from the University's sports centre.

Any faults or deficiencies in club or University equipment borrowed by players must be notified immediately to the Club or Team Captain or the sports centre staff.

Faulty equipment must not be used and must be returned immediately.

Players must wear shin pads, mouth guards and footwear suitable for the playing surface in use.

### **FACILITIES**

Any fault or damage to University-owned pitches used by the club must be pointed out to the Club Captain or Team Captain who must then inform the sports centre staff.

Play must not continue if the pitch is declared unfit by the sports centre staff, Head Groundsman, Club Captain or Team Captain.

### **INSURANCE**

All club members must have a valid Sports card that includes the Sports Association's sports injury insurance.

### **DISCIPLINE**

Any player whose behaviour or actions during club activities on or off the field are unsafe or inappropriate, will be subject to disciplinary action by the club.

The player concerned will be notified by the Club Captain of the allegations and informed of the disciplinary procedure within one week of the offence. The player must then be given the opportunity to discuss the matter with the Club Captain and to respond to the allegations.

The incident will be considered by the club committee which will decide what action would be appropriate. The final decision rests with the Club Captain.

The player will be notified in writing of the decision, the reasons and the action to be taken.

The player can appeal or can refer the matter to the President of the Sports Association.