



TWHC SPECTATOR CHARTER

As a spectator you play an important role in creating a positive and respectful environment for every hockey match. However, we expect you to conform to accepted standards of good sportsmanship and behaviour in accordance with England Hockey's Spirit Of Hockey (Code of Conduct) which can be read in full here [Link to EH website](#)

This charter outlines the values and behaviour Telford and Wrekin Hockey Club expects at both home and away venues, ensuring that the game is enjoyed by everyone. By adhering to this charter, you contribute to a positive, respectful, and enjoyable experience for everyone involved in hockey.

1. Respect The Players

- Applaud good play from both teams and show appreciation for skill, effort, and sportsmanship.
- Avoid making negative or derogatory comments about players, umpires, or teams.
- Refrain from any behaviour that could distract or disrupt players during the game.

2. Support Fair Play

- Cheer for your team but always do so in a way that encourages fair play and respect for the opposition.

3. Encourage A Positive Atmosphere

- Maintain an encouraging and positive tone throughout the game, promoting the spirit of healthy competition.
- Avoid any form of abusive, discriminatory, or offensive language.

4. Respect The Umpires

- Remember that umpires are an integral part of the game. Their decisions, whether or not you agree with them, should be respected.
- Do not engage in verbal disputes or criticism of the umpires.

5. Maintain Safety And Comfort

- Keep a safe distance from the pitch and do not distract or endanger the players or umpires.
- Be mindful of the safety of children or others in your care.

6. Encourage Players But Do Not Coach

- Encourage players from the sidelines but do not instruct them - leave that to the coach and captain of the team.
- Remember that every player, coach, and umpire contributes to the overall experience and success of the sport.

7. Be Environmentally Conscious

- Help keep the venue clean by disposing of rubbish properly and respecting the facilities.

8. Foster A Family-Friendly Environment

- Ensure that your behaviour sets a good example for young spectators, promoting values of respect, inclusivity, and good sportsmanship.

[**Link to TWHC Policies**](#)

[**Link to TWHC Welfare**](#)