Luton Town Hockey Club

MATCH DAY RULES



Our match day rules have been taken from the England Hockey set guidance about safety of players, umpires, captains, volunteers & spectators.

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<u>Match Day Rules</u> For Players, Umpires, Captains, Volunteers & Spectators



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Ground Rules

- No smoking is allowed on school grounds
- No one must be urinating behind bushes or storage units. If anyone is seen doing this, they will be reported to East & England Hockey. The toilets should always be open. If they aren't open inform a club captain and they will contact the school team.

Entering & leaving the pitch

- Home or Away players can enter the cage during a game but must stay on the sideline closest to the gate.
- No home or away player should walk behind a goal during a game. A player can request the umpire to stop the game, or an umpire can stop a game if this is as it is unsafe.
- When leaving a pitch during a team warmup you must walk down the middle of the pitch and along the sideline towards the exit.
- The last team of the day needs to make sure we leave the pitch and dugout tidy.
- Any lost property should go to a Captain or Club Captain.

Dugouts

- All children under 12 years and those with additional support requirements must be always supervised by a responsible adult.
- Under 12s or children with additional support requirements on schools' grounds must be always accompanied by a responsible adult.
- Any team members who can't play* for their team & comes to support can be in the dugout during their team's game.
- Substitutions may only occur on the dugout sideline.

Spectators

- No Spectators are allowed in the dugout at any time.
- All Spectators must stand on the opposite side to the dugout side.
- All Spectators must listen to Captains or Club Captains.

<u>Umpires</u>

- Must do their best to ensure games start on time.
- Must ensure spectators are on the correct sideline.

<u>Captains</u>

- All captains are equally responsible for ensuring the above rules are followed by everyone.
- If a spectator is breaking an above rule. Speak to them politely to remind them of the club training rules. If they proceed to ignore you escalate it to a Club Captain.
- Once your training session finished, collect your personal belongings, and depart the pitch as soon as possible. Any additional requests need to be asked to Club Captains prior to training.
- Teams talks or other discussions are to be held out of the dugout.



Players

- All home & away players are to follow to these match day rules.
- All home & away players must be respectful to each other, Captains, Umpires, Coaches & Spectators. Fail to do so can result ejection from the facilities

Coaches

- A team coach is allowed in the dugout.
- There should only be one coach per team per day.
- To be classed as a coach, you must be approved by the club prior to the match day and will be expected to feedback any issues with from the game to the head coach.
 - * Other exceptions must be cleared with club captains before game day.

Failure to follow these rules will result in ejection from the facilities with possible further repercussions. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Ladies or Men's Club Captain.