

Isle of Man Chess Association – Code of Conduct

It is a condition of membership of the Isle of Man Chess Association (also known as “Isle of Man Chess Club”) that members abide by the following Code of Conduct:

1. Play by the Laws of Chess as set out by FIDE: <https://fide.com/FIDE/handbook/LawsOfChess.pdf>
2. Treat everyone with respect. Be welcoming, courteous and display good sportsmanship.
3. Be mindful of how your actions impact on other players in the venue, especially the noise level.
4. Encourage new and novice players.
5. Adhere to the official tournament rules and regulations, completing all events that you enter.
6. Act respectfully towards the tournament organisers and arbiters and accept all decisions graciously.
7. Act in good faith if you decide to appeal an arbiter’s decision to the Committee.
8. Respect the facilities of the playing venue and the club’s property.

If the Committee receives a complaint that a member has breached the Code of Conduct then the Committee will investigate and will use its discretion in dealing with the matter. Depending on the severity, a breach could result in a member receiving a written warning, a limited/indefinite suspension or termination of membership.

(Agreed at the Isle of Man Chess Association Annual General Meeting, 1 September 2026)