



# CODES OF CONDUCT

Collingwood Basketball exists to support our community and provide a development platform for our players and members through our passion for basketball. Please support these aims by reading and following the guidelines below, which are based on Basketball Victoria Codes of Conduct. They reflect the principles upon which our club is based:

## DEVELOPMENT, COMMUNITY & ENJOYMENT

We expect our **PLAYERS** to:

- Understand and play by the rules.
- Respect referees and other officials.
- Control your temper.
- Work equally hard for yourself and for your team.
- Be a good sport.
- Treat all players as you would like to be treated.
- Play for the "enjoyment of it" and not just to please parents and coaches.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person.
- Be prepared to lose sometimes.
- Listen to the advice of your coach and try to apply it at practice and in games.
- Always respect the use of facilities and equipment provided.

We expect all **PARENTS** to:

- Encourage your children to participate for their own interest and enjoyment, not yours.
- Encourage children to always play by the rules.
- Teach children that an honest effort is always as important as a victory
- Focus on developing skills and playing the game.
- A child learns best by example. Applaud good play by all teams.
- Do not criticise your or others' children in front of others.
- Do not coach or instruct your children, or other children, from the sidelines during games. Leave it to the coach.
- Accept decisions of all referees as being fair and called to the best of their ability. Set a good example by your own conduct, behaviour and appearance.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person.
- Show appreciation for volunteer coaches, officials and administrators. Keep children in your care under control.
- Always respect the use of facilities and equipment provided.
- Consider all other alternatives before withdrawing your child's participation in basketball as a punishment for bad behaviour or unsatisfactory school achievement. Withdrawal of a player for punishment reasons unrelated to basketball affects everybody on the team.

We ask all **SPECTATORS** to:

- Remember that most people play sport for enjoyment.
- Accept decisions of all referees as being fair and called to the best of their ability.
- Always be positive in your support for players.
- Condemn the use of violence in any form
- Respect your team's opponents, officials and spectators.
- Encourage players to obey the rules and to accept decisions of officials.
- Demonstrate appropriate social behaviour by not using foul language or harassing players, coaches or officials.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person.
- Keep children in your care under control.
- Always respect the use of facilities and equipment provided.

A more detailed outline of the Codes of Conduct can be found at [www.collingwood.basketball.net.au](http://www.collingwood.basketball.net.au)

Collingwood Basketball believes that by accepting and following these guidelines, not only will our members enjoy a positive basketball experience; they will also develop good sporting behaviours and be encouraged to remain involved in basketball and/or other healthy sporting activities throughout their lives.