

BASKETBALL OTAGO GENERAL CODE OF CONDUCT AND ETHICS



PURPOSE

As a member of Basketball New Zealand and Basketball Otago, you must meet the following requirements regarding your conduct during an activity held by or under the auspices of Basketball New Zealand, or Basketball Otago and in any role, you hold within Basketball New Zealand, or Basketball Otago.

Failure to comply with the standards outlined in the Code of Conduct is an offence and is subject to disciplinary procedures as outlined in the Basketball Otago Judicial Policy.

It is not the intentions of this Code of Conduct to prevent courteous and proper player and coach exchanges with the referees or discourage preventative officiating such as 'a quiet word on the run' however, in instances when acceptable behaviour has clearly been ceased, penalties will be involved.

- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of others
- Be fair, considerate and honest in all dealings with others
- Be professional in, and accept responsibility for your actions
- Make a commitment to providing a quality service
- Demonstrate a high degree of individual responsibility especially when dealing with persons under 18 years of age
- Be aware of, and maintain an uncompromising adhesion to Basketball New Zealand standards, rules, regulations, and policies
- Operate within the rules of Basketball including national and international guidelines which govern Basketball New Zealand and Basketball Otago
- Understand your responsibilities if you breach or are aware of any breach of this Code of Conduct and Ethics as per Basketball Otago bylaws.
- Do not use your involvement with Basketball Otago, or Basketball New Zealand to promote your own beliefs, behaviours or practices where there is an inconsistency with those of Basketball New Zealand and Basketball Otago.
- Refrain from any form of abuse towards others
- Refrain from any form of harassment towards, or discrimination of, others
- Provide a safe environment for the conduct of Basketball or Basketball related activities
- Show concern and caution towards others who may be sick or injured
- Be a positive role model.

BASKETBALL OTAGO PLAYERS CODE OF CONDUCT AND ETHICS



To participate as a player in the Basketball Otago Competition, players are required to read and acknowledge the agreement to the following Code of Conduct/rules of Basketball Otago.

By partaking in our competition players agree to the following –

- Play according to the letter and intent of the rules and regulations of basketball and of the particular game, tournament, or league in which they are participating.
- Play in a spirit of competitive sportsmanship accepting the official's decision without dissent.
- Treat all players as you would like to be treated. Do not bully or take advantage of another player
- Control your behaviour on and off the court and any verbal abuse or deliberate contact.
- Play according to the rules of Basketball and the principles of fair play
- Always respect the officials, whether that is referees, scorebench, statisticians, or staff members.
- Be a good sport; cheer all good play from both your team and the opposition
- Appreciate and cooperate with your coach, teammates, and officials. There would be no game without them.
- Take responsibility for your performance and behaviour on and off the court.

Players shall accept refereeing decisions with good grace –

- Players are to abide by the provisions of the FIBA Official Basketball Rules when needing to approach the referee.
- Players are to approach referees in a courteous and reasonable manner.

Players should refrain from –

- Continually questioning decisions.
- Dissenting from decisions, whether by words or body language.
- Making gestures by waving arms, indecent body language, facial expressions, and other similar actions; and
- Using rude, offensive, and/or threatening language.
- Negatively undermining officials whether that is saying negative things or being rude and offensive.

I will never –

- Arrive at the venue under the influence of drugs and other cognitive impairing substances, including alcohol
- Drink alcohol while undertaking any Basketball Otago services/activities
- Wager anything of value in connection with any game or event under Basketball New Zealand or local Association jurisdiction.

Any conduct on the part of the player that brings the sport and Basketball Otago into disrepute shall be dealt with by the Basketball Otago Board.

I have read and understand the above conditions and agree to abide by them.

Electronic copies can be found on the team and player registrations on Game Day.

BASKETBALL OTAGO COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT AND ETHICS



To participate as a coach/assistant coach or manager in the Basketball Otago Competition, coaches are required to read and acknowledge the agreement to the following Code of Conduct/rules of Basketball Otago.

By partaking in our competitions, coaches agree to the following –

- Promote the Player's Code of Conduct and Ethics with players and every opportunity
- Ensure that their instruction is current, accurate and appropriate, and that it is based on practices for which they are qualified with acquired knowledge and skills.
- Have a primary concern for the health, safety, and personal welfare of their players and, accordingly, should take an active role in the prevention of drug, alcohol, and tobacco use.
- Maintain a high standard of integrity
- Be a positive role model and act in a way that projects a positive image of coaching
- Make a commitment to providing a quality service to your players
- Provide a safe environment for training and competition
- Treat all persons with dignity and respect thereby providing a model of fair play and sportsmanship.
- Observe the letter and intent of the rules and regulations of basketball, and of the particular game, tournaments, or league in which they are participating, and insist that players and teams under their direction do likewise.
- Develop and promote team respect for opponents as well as calls made by the officials.

Coaches shall accept refereeing decisions with good grace –

- Coaches are to abide by the provisions of the FIBA Official Basketball Rules when needing to approach the referee.
- Coaches are to approach referees in a courteous and reasonable manner.

Coaches should refrain from –

- Continually questioning decisions.
- Dissenting from decisions, whether by words or body language.
- Making gestures by waving arms, indecent body language, facial expressions, and other similar actions; and
- Using rude, offensive, and/or threatening language.

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BASKETBALL OTAGO PARENTS AND SPECTATORS CODE OF CONDUCT AND ETHICS

As a parent/guardian and spectator of Basketball or Basketball related activity held under the auspices of Basketball New Zealand, and/or Basketball Otago, you must meet the following requirements regarding your conduct during any such event or activity.

By partaking in our competitions, parents and spectators agree to the following –

- Support the removal of verbal and physical abuse from the game.
- The decision of all referees as being fair and called to the best of their ability.
- Remember that although basketball at the event may, or may not, be at an elite level, it is still sport and often junior sport, to be enjoyed by all participants.
- Respect all participating players and officials as you would respect your own children and friends and applaud good performances by all participants.
- Demonstrate appropriate social behaviour by not using foul or abusive language or actions, and by not harassing players, coaches, officials, or other spectators
- Teach children that effort is as important as victory, so that the result of each game is accepted without due disappointment.
- Destructive criticism has no place in basketball and especially in Junior Basketball.

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Any conduct on the part of the coach that brings the sport and Basketball Otago into disrepute shall be dealt with by the Basketball Otago Board.

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BASKETBALL OTAGO REFEREES AND OFFICIALS OF CONDUCT AND ETHICS

As an official of basketball or Basketball related activity held under the auspices of Basketball New Zealand, and/or Basketball Otago, you must meet the following requirements regarding your conduct during any such event or activity.

By partaking in our competitions, officials agree to the following –

- Place the safety and welfare of players above all else
- Be mentally and physically prepared for the entire game or event
- Be impartial, consistent, objective and courteous when making decisions
- Accept responsibility for my actions and decision
- Accept their role as a member of the “officials” team, embrace teamwork, cooperate with and assist fellow officials, scorebench personnel and others associated with the game or event.
- Ensure that all players have a fair and reasonable opportunity to perform at the best of their ability, within the rules and regulations of basketball and the particular game or event.
- Conduct themselves in a professional manner both on and off the court
- Remain open to constructive criticism and suggestions from referee trainers and mentors, showing respect and consideration to those offering assistance.
- Keep up to date with the latest ‘laws of the game’, trends and principles of their application

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- Drink alcohol while undertaking any Basketball Otago services/activities
- Wager anything of value in connection with any game or event under Basketball New Zealand or local Association jurisdiction.

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