

# *Spectator Code of Conduct*

## When attending games spectators are expected to:

- Play a positive role in the game of basketball.
- Positively support the players, coaches and referees.
- Remember that players play for their own enjoyment, not for yours.
- Encourage the players to abide by the rules.
- Respect the referees' decisions and encourage the players to do the same.
- Encourage the players effort by only making positive comments.
- Cheer the plays and performance of both teams.
- Use only positive language when cheering.
- Respect the coaches by not coaching the players during the game.
- Support the coaches who volunteer their time.
- Support the game of basketball by being a positive fan.
- Help keep the facility clean by throwing garbage in refuse bins.

*If a spectator does not adhere to the above code of conduct, they will be asked to leave the facility.*



## Unacceptable behaviour:

- Verbal or physical abuse of any kind.
- Questioning of any referees' and/or coaches decisions in public.
- Maltreatment of players, coaches, referees, staff, volunteers, or other spectators.
- Using profane or foul language.
- Interfering with the game or event.
- Cheering for mistakes or errors by the opponent teams.

At no time should spectators go on to the basketball court or approach the team bench or score table area. This includes the time when the players enter the court for warm up until the time when the players leave the court at the end of the game.





Basketball is an inclusive and accessible sport for all players, coaches, referees, staff, and spectators. Everyone is welcome and is to be treated with dignity and respect in a safe environment.

There is **ZERO TOLERANCE** for any maltreatment or behavior that is harrassing, disrespectful, bullying, discriminating, or in violation of the ABA Code of Conduct. Violations will be addressed immediately and removed from the event venue.

