

APPENDIX A

Barrie Royals Basketball Club



A.1 Codes of Conduct for All Members of the Club

Barrie Royals Basketball expects all members - coaches, athletes, parents, officials, Volunteers and spectators to abide by the following Codes of Conduct.

Please do not forget that referees, score bench personnel, officials and coaches are volunteers and are trying to do the very best that they are capable of doing. It is not acceptable for any person to approach these volunteers in a hostile or aggressive manner ever. If controversy or disagreement occurs at any time, grievances should be directed in writing to the Barrie Royals Executive according to the Resolutions and Discipline Committee Policy.

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PLAYERS

- Understand and play by the rules.
- Conduct yourself with honor and dignity.
- Never argue with referees or officials. Accept the decisions of the officials with grace. If you disagree, have your Coach approach the referee / official during a break or even after the game, in an appropriate manner.
- Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials or other players or deliberately provoking an opponent is not acceptable by Barrie Royals Basketball.
- Work equally hard for yourself and for your team. Your team's performance will benefit, and so will you.
- Be a good sport. Acknowledge all good plays whether they are by your team or the opposition team.
- Treat all players as you would like to be treated. Do not interfere with, bully or take unfair advantage of another player.
- Co-operate with your Coach, Officials, team mates and opponents. Without them, there would be no competition.
- Play for the fun of others and not just to please parents and coaches.
- Be generous when you win; be gracious when you lose.
- Respect the rights of others and avoid the use of derogatory language based on gender, race, religion or impairment.
- Listen to the advice of your Coach and try to apply it at practice and in games.
- Always respect the use of the facilities and equipment provided.

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CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PARENTS

- Encourage children to participate through their own interest and enjoyment, not yours. Support your child and his/her team in a positive manner. Cheer for your child and his/her team, not against the opposing player or team.
- Encourage children to ALWAYS play by the rules.
- Always keep in mind that that Barrie Royals Basketball is a community sports program with an emphasis on developing basketball skills, physical literacy, and having fun. Although competition is a natural part of sport activities, do not make winning the primary goal for you or your child.
- Teach children that an honest effort and playing to the best of their ability is always as important as a victory, so that the result of each game is accepted without undue disappointment.
- A child learns best by example. Applaud good play by all teams.
- Do not criticize your child in front of others. Reserve constructive criticism for more private moments.
- Accept decisions of all referees as being fair and called to the best of their ability. Do not raise issues of disagreement with Referees.
- Do not criticize opposing team members or supporters by word or gesture.
- Set a good example by your own conduct, behavior and appearance.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.
- Always show respect for all players, coaches, officials and other fans. Allow for the fact that anyone can make a mistake.
- Show appreciation of volunteer coaches, officials and administrators. Without them, your child could not participate.
- Always respect the use of the facilities and equipment provided.

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR COACHES

- Remember that the children play for fun and enjoyment and that winning is only part of their motivation.
- Never ridicule children for making mistakes or for losing.
- Be reasonable in your demands on a young player's time, energy and enthusiasm.
- Teach your players that understanding and playing by the rules is their own responsibility.
- Develop team respect for the ability of opponents as well as the judgment of officials.

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- Schedule time and length of practices and the number of competitions that takes into consideration the maturity levels of players and their basketball Long Term Athlete Development stage.
- Show concern and take responsibility for players who are sick or injured whilst under your care. Follow the advice of a physician when determining when an injured player is ready to recommence play. Be aware of and utilize the Concussion Return to Play Protocol.
- As well as imparting basketball knowledge and skills, promote desirable, personal and social behavior. Be aware that the role of the Coach is “an Educator.”

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR SPECTATORS

- Children play sport for fun. They are not playing for the entertainment of the spectators and they are NOT miniature professionals.
- Applaud good performances from each team. Congratulate all players, regardless of the outcome.
- Respect the referee’s decision. If there is a disagreement, follow the appropriate procedure in order to query the decisions.
- Always be positive. Never ridicule or shout at a child for making a mistake during competition.
- Condemn the use of violence in any form, be it by spectators, coaches or players.
- Respect your team’s opponents and officials; for without them there would be no competition.
- Encourage players to obey the rules and the decisions of the officials.
- Demonstrate appropriate social behavior by not using foul language, harassing players, coaches or officials.
- Respect the rights of others and avoid the use of derogatory language based on gender, race or impairment.
- Always respect the use of the facilities and equipment provided.