



## McKinnon Basketball Association

### Coach Code of Conduct & Expectations

#### CODE OF CONDUCT

The McKinnon Basketball Association's Codes of Conduct & Expectations are aligned with Basketball Victoria to give participants a guide to the expectations of McKinnon Basketball Association and Basketball Victoria for their behaviour and conduct.

Basketball is a recreational activity for enjoyment and health. The BV codes of conduct can be located at: [http://basketballvictoria.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/BV-ALL\\_Codes\\_of\\_Conduct.pdf](http://basketballvictoria.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/BV-ALL_Codes_of_Conduct.pdf)

The Codes of Conduct & Expectations are intended to assist players, coaches, administrators, parents and spectators to obtain the maximum benefit and enjoyment from their involvement in basketball.

As a McKinnon Cougar coach you must be fully committed to abiding by the Coach Code of Conduct & Expectations by signature. It is critical that each coach understands the MBA Coach Code of Conduct & Expectations and is familiar with the behavioural and attitudinal expectations of every McKinnon Cougar coach.

A breach of the Coach Code of Conduct & Expectations may result in disciplinary action by the MBA Committee, a Tribunal or the VJBL and may result in team omission, suspension or deregistration.

#### COACH CODE OF CONDUCT & EXPECTATIONS

- Remember that basketball is for enjoyment.
- Be reasonable in your demands.
- Teach understanding and respect for the rules.
- Provide players a fair amount of court time.
- Develop team respect for the ability of opponents including their coaches.
- Instil in your players respect for officials and an acceptance of their judgement.
- Guide your players in their interaction with parents and spectators.
- Group players according to age, height, skill and physical maturity whenever appropriate.
- Ensure that equipment and facilities meet safety standards and are appropriate to the age and ability of the players.
- Be prepared to lose sometimes. It is not win at all costs.
- Develop the skills and character of the players.
- Act responsibly when players are ill or injured.
- As well as imparting knowledge & skills, promote desirable personal & social behaviours.
- Keep your knowledge current.
- Ensure that any physical contact with a player is appropriate eg handshake or high five is appropriate.



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- Coaches over the age of 18 are not to accept any McKinnon Cougar player under the age of 18 as a friend on social media or follow or interact with them on any social media.
- Coaches must not private message any under aged player for any reason. Team group chats are acceptable and only team events are to be discussed as a way of communication.
- Do not accept any form of gift, money or tokens of appreciation from any player or parent during the season as this may be seen as bribery. An end of season 'team gift' to the coach will be considered acceptable.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person.
- Always respect the use of facilities and equipment provided.
- No written contract or agreements are to be given to players/parents without consent by the Director of Coaching.
- Sign the Basketball Victoria "Member Protection Declaration" form.
- Coaches who receive 3 tech fouls will be suspended for 1 game by the VJBL

By coaching in the McKinnon Basketball Association competition you are agreeing to abide to the conditions outlined in this Coaches Code of Conduct & Expectations agreement and Basketball Victoria's Code of Conduct.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Coach Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Coach Signature: \_\_\_\_\_