



COACH BEHAVIOUR CODE OF CONDUCT

To participate as a coach in Basketball Manawatu competitions, coaches are required to read and acknowledge agreement to the following Code of Conduct / rules of Basketball Manawatu .

- Coaches shall at all times conduct themselves in a manner that reflects the spirit of fair play and sporting behaviour.
- They shall encourage positive communications between themselves and players, referees, administrators and the general public.
- Coaches shall conduct themselves in manner that reinforces their place as a leader and role models for their players and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and by demonstrating positive support for all players, opposition coaches, officials and spectators at every game.
- Observe the letter and intent of the rules and regulations of basketball, and of the particular game, tournaments or competitions in which they are participating in, and insist that the players and teams under their direction do likewise.
- Remember that they have undertaken the responsibility of assisting their player to acquire the necessary knowledge and skills of basketball to achieve their potential, as well as promoting desirable traits in them. As youth coaches, remember that the game is for the players/children and not adults.
- Coaches shall accept refereeing decisions with good grace:
 - On-court approaches to referees shall be done by the on-court captain only and in accordance with the provisions of the FIBA Official Basketball Rules.
 - Coaches are to approach referees in a courteous and reasonable manner.
 - In matches involving Junior Referees, approaches can only be made to the Senior Referee, Referee Coordinator or Floor Controller.
- 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
 - Using rude, offensive, and/or threatening language.
- Head Coaches shall not encroach onto the playing floor during the course of a game (other than as authorised by the FIBA Official Basketball Rules) or move out of the coach's box while the game is in progress.
- Given that assistant coaches must normally remain seated on the team bench, assistant coaches shall not assume actions or positions reserved for head coaches.

Basketball Manawatu's ZERO Tolerance Policy will be fully enforced for any abusive/aggressive language or personal remarks directed at referees, coaches, players or BM staff.