



The Diamond Creek Basketball Club fully supports the codes of conduct as introduced by Basketball Victoria. All clubs are required to enforce a Code of Conduct within their club for officials, players, and members. DCBC Code of Conduct (below) is enforced, in addition to the Basketball Victoria Code of Conduct, which can be found here:

<https://www.basketballvictoria.com.au/resources/association-resources/policies>

PLAYERS CODE OF CONDUCT:

- Winning at all costs isn't everything; at this age learning is more important than winning
- I will only listen to my coaches' instructions during training and games. No one else
- I will not engage in the use of crude, foul or abusive language that may be deemed offensive or engage in any conduct detrimental to the image of the game when on or off the basketball court
- I will never argue with the referees and/or assistant referees regarding decisions they make
- I will treat participants, officials and spectators with respect
- I will play by the laws of the game
- I will cooperate with my coach, teammates, referees and officials at all times
- I will not use any banned substance or drugs of dependence throughout my involvement at the DCBC
- I will not use social media/network sites to make any comments and/or statements that are disrespectful, hurtful or harmful to others or the club. This includes Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Snapchat, etc.
- I will display good sportsmanship at all times
- I will play for the fun of it and not just to please parents and coaches
- I will attend all training sessions, unless I am unwell or unfit to do so. I will let my coach know as soon as I know I am unable to attend

PARENTS, SUPPORTERS AND VOLUNTEERS CODE OF CONDUCT

- I will not coach any players during training sessions and games. That's what the coaches are there for; it sends mixed messages to the players and creates confusion
- I will not interfere with training sessions. I will stay clear of training areas
- I will cheer on and encourage the players at all times, even the opposition, and applaud good basketball all-round
- Winning at all costs isn't everything, we're here to develop the players – learning is more important than winning
- I will remember that children play sport for their enjoyment, not mine
- I will encourage children to participate, not force them
- I will focus on the child's efforts and performance rather than winning or losing
- I will encourage children to always participate according to the rules
- I will never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a game
- I will remember that children learn best by example – applaud good play by all teams
- I will support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities
- I will respect officials' decisions and teach children to do likewise
- I will show appreciation of coaches, officials and administrators. Without them, children could not participate

- I will keep clear from technical areas, and benches during the game. The bench area is for the team – players, coaches and team managers only
- I will never publicly criticise referees, officials or participants – I will raise personal concerns with club officials in private
- I will not use social media/network sites to make any comments and/or statements that are disrespectful, hurtful or harmful to others or the Club. This includes Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Snapchat, etc.
- I will ensure my child will attend all training sessions, unless they are unwell or unfit to do so. I will let the coach know as soon as possible prior to training

COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT:

- I will remember that players participate for fun and winning is only part of the fun
- I will never ridicule or yell at players for making mistakes or for not winning games
- I will be reasonable in my demands on a player's time, energy and enthusiasm
- I will always operate within the rules and spirit of the game and teach my players to do the same
- I will ensure that the time players spend with me is a positive experience. All players are deserving of equal attention and opportunities
- I will avoid overplaying the talented players, the less developed players deserve equal court time
- I will ensure that the equipment and facilities meet safety standards and are appropriate to the age and ability of all players. I will notify the age group coordinator if I see an issue
- I will display control, respect and professionalism to all involved with the sport. This includes opponents, coaches, officials, administrators, the media, parents and spectators. I will encourage players to do the same
- I will show concern and caution towards sick and injured players. I will follow the advice of a doctor when determining whether an injured player is ready to recommence training or competition games
- I will place the safety and welfare of the players above all else
- I will obtain appropriate coaching qualifications and keep up to date with the latest coaching practices and the principles of growth development and conditioning of junior players
- I will ensure that any physical contact with a player should be appropriate to the situation and necessary for the player's skill development
- I will respect the rights, dignity and worth of every player regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion
- I will refrain from over coaching during games, I will let the players play and learn from their own mistakes

By registering my child with the Diamond Creek Basketball Club, I understand that the Club Code of Conduct applies to all volunteers, players, members and supporters and agree to abide by these principles.

I accept that the Club may take any necessary disciplinary actions, including the suspension and banning from any or all basketball related activities, where warranted of any players, coaches, assistant coaches, team managers, parents and or spectators for repeated or serious breaches of these Codes of Conduct.