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WELCOME & INFORMATION PACK



WARRANDYTE REDBACKS PLAYERS & PARENTS

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Welcome to the Warrandyte Basketball Association

Thank you for joining the Warrandyte Redbacks junior domestic basketball program. We hope that you will enjoy the basketball experience as players, parents and spectators. The Warrandyte Basketball Association was formed in 1965 and the first junior teams played as Warrandyte in 1975. We have had a rich, proud and successful history since then and are one of the leading Associations in Victoria.

Warrandyte Basketball Club became an official Basketball Association of Victoria in 2002. The organisation is a not-for-profit incorporated Association and managed by a volunteer Committee of Management.

Warrandyte Basketball offers children a true pathway to develop their basketball skills from grassroots & entry level, right through to senior representative competition;

- Our grassroots programs, Aussie Hoops offer children in Prep to Grade 3 the opportunity to develop skills & learn to play before entering full scale competition
- The junior domestic competition that our Redbacks program competes is run on a Saturday by the EDJBA (Eastern Districts Junior Basketball Association);
- Our junior "Venom" representative teams compete on Friday nights in the state-wide VJBL (Victorian Junior Basketball League)
- Our senior "Venom" representative teams in the Big V competition. We have senior & youth league teams for both men & women

We accommodate both beginners and experienced players, and make every attempt to place each player in their correct grade and a team where they can develop and have fun.

We currently have nearly 800 players from 400 families with great support from local sponsors.

Our Mission Statement

The Warrandyte Basketball Association Inc aims to promote the game of basketball within the local community and to provide the opportunity for people of all ages to learn, develop and enjoy the game, in accordance with their individual ability and aspirations, within a safe and encouraging environment.

Our Values

In achieving our Mission Statement we hope to:

- Be professional in how we conduct our business
- Be accountable to all of our stakeholders
- Be respected by the basketball community
- Be a valuable member of the local community
- Be respectful of the needs of all of our stakeholders
- Conduct our business in a financially responsible manner

WBA Administrator

David Lawson is the WBA Administrator and should be the first point of contact for any enquiries. His duties include all day-to-day activities associated with our junior & grassroots basketball programs.

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Refer to WBA website for up to date hours of operations & office hours at Warrandyte Sports Complex.

Website & Communication

WBA endeavours to make as much information available via electronic means on the clubs website – <u>www.warrandyte.basketball.net.au</u> News & information about coming events, programs & important dates are regularly updated.

Email details provided at registration are used to communicate to all our members on a regular basis. WBA believes in its community & family values and endeavours to keep all its members informed and up to date with all WBA activities. If during the course of your season you never receive an email from WBA check your junk mail folder or contact the Administrator to make sure your details are accurate. *NOTE* – WBA does not pass on any personal information to outside companies or sources.

The EDJBA also maintain their own website as the encompassing competition body – <u>www.edjba.basketball.net.au</u> This website can be a useful resource for all information related to the EDJBA competition

Warrandyte Redbacks Program Overview

The Warrandyte Redbacks are the domestic basketball teams that compete in the EDJBA competition under the WBA banner. Games are played on Saturday's from 8:30am until the early hours of the evening. This is the place to start for children looking to get involved in full scale junior competition.

The EDJBA (Eastern Districts Junior Basketball Association) is an inter-association junior Saturday basketball competition that encompasses an area that stretches from Park Orchards to Nunawading, Collingwood to Eltham. The competition accommodates boys & girls in age groups ranging from Under 8 to Under 20, with numerous divisions in each. There are two seasons played each year; winter season is played through Term 2 & 3 of the school year & summer season is played through Term 4 & 1 (excluding public & school holidays).

Games are played at our home venues & competing association venues. Warrandyte home venues are:

- Warrandyte Sports Complex Anderson Creek Primary School Drysdale Rd, Warrandyte
- Croydon Hills Primary School Campaspe Drive Croydon Hills

Warrandyte Redbacks field numerous teams for boys & girls in all age groups. So whether you're a beginner or have played for many years, we will have a team to suit your skills & ability.

All our coaches are volunteers - generally former or current players or parents that are willing to help out. We are always interested in hearing from parents, siblings, other family members & friends that could help out in a coaching or assistant coaching capacity - knowledge, skill & experience is generally not a perquisite.

Teams train once a week at Warrandyte Sports Complex or Warrandyte High for a 45min session afterschool between Mondays and Thursdays.

All information relating to EDJBA rules, policies, fixtures, results & ladders are available at the EDJBA website – <u>www.edjba.basketball.net.au</u>

Behaviour & Codes of Conduct

A Code of Conduct is in place for all players, parents, spectators and coaches. The Warrandyte Basketball Association expects parents to provide a positive influence, giving encouragement to players (both teams), coaches, and all officials. The full version of all Codes of Conduct is available on the WBA website – www.warrandyte.basketball.net.au

The Warrandyte Basketball Association has a zero tolerance policy and will not tolerate any kind of abuse by anyone towards anyone – especially referees.

While referee decisions may sometimes seem confusing, it is incumbent upon players and spectators to be fully aware of the rules before criticising. The Club also encourages players (14yrs+) and parents to become referees.

Most referees are usually happy to explain decisions after the game <u>IF</u> approached in a courteous manner.

Finally please remember that ALL referees at home games are WBA players, coaches or parents. Please ensure you give them extra support.

Game Fees & Season Registration

Each player pays a registration fee for each season (2 seasons per year) which covers training venue costs, insurance and team registration in EDJBA. We attempt to keep this as low as possible to encourage participation.

The WBA does make consideration of financial hardship and will make every effort to assist with payment arrangements. The WBA also has a policy to assist Health Card holders and those in financial circumstances that may otherwise prevent children from playing.

Any questions of these matters should be directed to the Administrator in writing.

During grading & regular season games players must pay a playing fee of \$7.50 (from Winter 2015) each game to cover referee and venue operations. The \$7.50 playing fee is usually collected & counted by a referee at half time from each team manager. There is no door or spectator fee at any venue.

During finals teams must pay a set team rate & an entry fee for players & spectators. These rates are determined by the EDJBA. The set team rate must be paid before each game can commence.

Team, Players, Coach & Training Announcement

How do I find out who is my child's coach, which team they have been selected to, and what day/time/venue the team will train? All this information will be emailed to the registered email address as submitted on the registration form – usually during the school holiday period prior to the upcoming season.

After this information has been released you should also be contacted by your coach to confirm you have the correct information.

If in doubt contact the WBA Administrator – <u>admin@warrandytebasketball.net.au</u> after the release date for confirmation.

Canteen

WBA manages a small canteen at the Warrandyte Sports Complex that sells basic hot & cold drinks and non-perishable food items such as lollies, chocolates & chips during peak times on Saturdays.

Coaches

As with many junior sporting Clubs, we sometimes have trouble getting experienced coaches for all teams. We have a fantastic group of senior players who help by coaching the younger kids.

All our coaches are volunteers - generally former or current players or parents that are willing to help out. We are always interested in hearing from parents, siblings, other family members & friends that could help out in a coaching or assistant coaching capacity - knowledge, skill & experience is generally not a perquisite.

All coaches at WBA follow member protection screening requirements set by the state legislation & Basketball Victoria; Coaches over 18 years of age must obtain a Working With Children check & complete the required Basketball Victoria Statutory Declaration.

Team Managers

Team managers are as equally important to teams as coaches & players. Generally speaking this is a very simple job. The team manager will act as a dual point of point (with the coach) for all communication from the WBA (predominately done via email). The team manager also collects all the playing fees for each game & puts together a scoring roster for each game. Player & parent contact information collected at registration will be passed on from the Operations Manager.

Scoring Duties

Each team must supply someone to assume scoring responsibilities at each game. For the first time parent scoring is a bit of a mystery and can appear difficult. Scoring duties should be a shared responsibility among all families within each team – this spreads the load and means most families should only need to be at the scorebench 2 or 3 times per season. If you are new to scoring or just need a refresh, the information near the end of this document will get you up and running - Essential reading for all new parents and managers.

Parent's Responsibilities

Parents are required to score on a roster basis and to perform rostered canteen duty when games are played at Warrandyte Sports Complex (Andersons Creek PS) and Croydon Hills PS.

One parent from each team needs to be the Team Manager – this is a simple but vital position that all teams need to fill.

Parents are expected to support their children's coach and referees, and to ensure players show the same respect.

Parents are responsible for ensuring their children behave during training. It is NOT the responsibility of the coach.

Parents must abide by the Basketball Victoria Codes of Conduct at all times – abridged version available at WSC, WR and in this document. Full version can be downloaded off the WBA website.

Player's Responsibilities

Attend all training and games unless unwell. Inform the team manager/coach as soon as possible if unable to attend either.

Treat their coach, team members and referees with respect.

Training is very important and helps improve a player's skills and team play. Regular attendance, punctuality, and advanced notification of unavailability are essential.

Players must abide by the Basketball Victoria Codes of Conduct at all times – abridged version available at WSC, WR and in this document. Full version can be downloaded off the WBA website.

Players must wear appropriate footwear to all training sessions (NO SCHOOL SHOES) and games.

EDJBA Seasons & Age Groups

There are two seasons per year; Summer (Term 4 & Term 1) and Winter (Term 2 – Term 3).

In the Summer Season the age groups are: U8, U10, U12, U14, U16, U18 and U20. Players must be under 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18 or 20 on 30th June in the year of the season start:

In the Winter Season the age groups are: U9, U11, U13, U15, U17 and U19. Players must be under under 9, 11, 13, 15 or 17 years of age on 31st December prior to the season start.

Selection Guidelines

Team Selection is often an issue which seems to generate all types of rumours and uncertainties. The following Saturday Team Selection Policy is the only one agreed to by the Committee and which forms the basis for ALL decisions.

Each season the Redbacks Coordinators appoint a group of selectors for the Boys and for the Girls Teams. They attempt amongst them to see all of the teams during the season to evaluate each players' progression – each coach writes a player evaluation report on each player. Our Selection Policy is based on the following criteria:

- Skill/Ability
- Team Balance (combination of small/medium/tall)
- Age (top age and bottom age)
- Potential

Stadiums

The Warrandyte Redbacks program has three venues for home games & training:

- <u>Warrandyte Sports Complex</u> (WSC) Anderson Creek Primary School Drysdale Rd, Warrandyte
- <u>Warrandyte High School</u> (WR) Cnr Warrandyte & Alexander Rd, Warrandyte (training only)
- <u>Croydon Hills Primary School</u> (HIL) Campaspe Drive, Croydon Hills (games only)

A venue guide for games played at all other venues is available at the WBA & EDJBA websites

EDJBA Game Timing Regulations

The Saturday games are made up of 2 halves of 20 minutes each. From the Winter 2015 season the clock will in the last two (2) minutes of the second half on every whistle. There will be no time-outs in the last three (3) minutes of the first half.

Training

All Saturday teams have one mid-week training session at either WSC or WR. Training sessions are 45 minutes. Training times start from 4:00 until approximately 8:30pm from Monday to Thursday.

Training times are organised by trying to negotiate a suitable time for the Coach and all players as well as the other teams. It is not always possible to get a 100% convenient training time for everyone; however it is expected that children attend training.

Please note the following points to assist with training:

- Regular attendance, punctuality, and advanced notification of unavailability are essential. The coach needs to know if you are going to be absent so training plans can be altered.
- If your child does not regularly attend training, and does not provide a reasonable excuse, the child can expect their court time during the game to be dramatically reduced.
- Children must be properly attired to train runners, and shorts/tracksuit pants are ideal not jeans.
- All children must supply their own basketball for training. Arriving without a ball may see a child miss out on important individual skills.
- All children should have a drink bottle for training and games (clearly labelled).
- Children are to be collected on time at the conclusion of training. The coach often has other commitments and cannot be responsible for the safety of players before or after the training session.
- Parent should, where practical, be present at every training session to help supervise the children this is particularly prudent with younger age groups.
- Children will benefit from extra training and practice. This will improve their skills, and increase their enjoyment.

Parents are responsible for their children at training.

Many of our younger coaches do not have the parenting skills to manage a group of kids, so your assistance in ensuring that your child is attentive and cooperative is appreciated. Children that continuously disrupt training will be asked to leave training and this will impact on their playing time.

Uniform Shop

Uniforms are required for every player. The Redbacks Uniform Shop is located at the Warrandyte Sports Complex. The shop is run by volunteers as a service to our members to keep costs as low as possible. Hours of operation information is available at the WBA website

Game Day Summary

- Arrive at least 10-15 minutes prior to the game start time.
- Advise the coach or team manager well in advance if a player is going to be unavailable for a game.
- Each team requires a scorer for each game. The scorer will do either the clock or the score sheet.
- Player's names and numbers must be entered on the score sheet in singlet number order about
 5 minutes before each game.
- The coach's name needs to be written on the score sheet.
- Print all names clearly including first and second names. These sheets are used by others to determine eligibility for finals etc

- Once a player's name is on the score sheet, they can arrive at any time during the game and commence playing. Don't allow their name to be crossed off at half time.
- Player's names cannot be added to the sheet after half time.
- Two points is applied to every piece of incorrect uniform in a game maximum 10 points in total. Incorrect uniform includes illegal numbers (00, 1, 2 and 3) and wrong coloured uniform.
- Game money needs be collected and counted prior to half time.
- Please learn to score and to use the clock. Sit beside and learn from an experienced scorer if you can't.

Safety

- Players are not to wear any kind of jewellery onto the court. Earrings must not be taped, even if they have recently been pierced (This is an EDJBA by law).
- Players who are bleeding must be removed from the game immediately. They may return when bleeding has stopped and the wound securely covered.
- All blood stained clothing must be replaced prior to return to the game. Alternate singlets or tshirt may be worn if there is no colour clash. Teams should consider if it is appropriate to carry a spare (non clash number) singlet to each game.
- We recommend that all teams carry their own first aid kits. You should not rely on the venue you are playing at to have one.
- No drinks or water is allowed on the court. The court surface can become very dangerous for players if it is wet.
- Player's uniforms are not to include shorts with pockets, or be football shorts. They will not be allowed to play.

The Warrandyte Basketball Association Player Development Pathway

The following information documents the step-by-step pathway WBA can offer children from grassroots right through to senior representative competition.



Skills Development Program

Aussie Hoops is an entry level skills development program for kids in <u>Prep to Grade 3</u> conducted by coaches from the Warrandyte Basketball Association.

The Aussie Hoops program is about kids having fun and using a "game sense" approach, while learning the experience of basketball by playing a series of games & activities.

New participants receive official Aussie Hoops gear – Backpack, Basketball, T-Shirt and more!

Aussie Hoops is conducted every Monday of the school term. Best of all, Aussie Hoops is about kids having *FUN!*



Junior Domestic Basketball (EDJBA)

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Future Forces – Junior Representative Development Program (run in Term 3)

The Future Forces program invites junior domestic players into a development program in preparation for the next upcoming Junior Venom tryouts. This FREE program is open to all boys and girls eligible for U12 competition the following season. The program is conducted by coaches from the Junior Venom program aimed at exposing children currently playing domestic basketball to the skills, drills & coaching involved at the next level – VJBL competition.





Junior Venom – Junior Representative Basketball (VJBL)

Warrandyte Junior Venom is our Friday night representative program and we play within the Victorian Junior Basketball League (VJBL). The VJBL is the top junior basketball competition in the state played on Friday evenings. Associations from across Victoria select skilled & committed players to represent their club at the highest possible level.

Tryouts for the representative program run during October. Games are played all over the metropolitan Melbourne & fringe areas.



The Senior Venom program completes the pathway for juniors. Our senior Men & Women teams compete in the Big V competition – a semi-professional state-wide league. Many ex-NBL & professional players play in this competition. Warrandyte has a rich tradition of developing its own junior players. The senior program also encompasses a development team for both the Men & Women. These teams are open for upand-coming potential Big V players within our programs that compete in the Youth League divisions of the Big V comp.

Games are played during the winter months. WBA hosts Big V games at WSC on Saturday nights & Sunday afternoons. These games provide excellent family entertainment at very low admission prices

Essential reading for all new parents and managers: How to Score

Scoring a game is not hard, but you do have to pay attention!

For the first time parent scoring is a bit of a mystery and can appear difficult. If you are new to scoring or just need a refresh, the following information will get you up and running.

Scoring a game is not hard, but you do have to pay attention! Parents share the responsibility for scoring at matches – there will be one parent from each team.

One parent will operate the score display, and the other will keep track of the score on sheets provided at each game.

If you know how to score and use the electronic board, please teach other parents in the team. If you are unsure always consult the referees!

Please read the information provided on the following pages for the details of how to score.

Scoring

Each team playing supplies one person to fill in the score sheet or operate the electronic scoreboard and control the possession arrow. The scorers choose which team is deemed to be "light" and which is "dark" (as indicated on the score board).

There are four main elements to scoring:

- 1. Goals (field goals)
- 2. Free throws
- 3. Fouls
- 4. Time outs

Goals:

Generally a field goal scores the team 2 points (if scored from inside the 3 point line). This is recorded (as a 2) against the player's name/no. in the "First Half" column (for the 1st half "Second Half" for the 2nd half) and also by striking out two squares in the running score under the team. As a cross-reference, the player's number is recorded above the running score.

E.g

TEA	M:																		
NO.	Name	•											Fo	uls			F	irst l	Half
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If a field goal is scored from outside the circle, it scores 3 points, recorded as 3 and a line through three squares on the running score.

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If a field goal is scored by a team in the opposition's basket, i.e. an "own goal", it is recorded against the captain of the benefiting team. If the captain is unknown record the goal against the first name on the score sheet for the benefiting team.

Free Throws:

Each goal scores the team 1 point. When a player is awarded a free throw draw a box on the line for that player. E.g.

TEA	M:						
NO.	Name			Fo	uls		First Half
5	John Basketballer	1	2	3	4	5	
		1	2	3	4	5	

Free throws are marked with a line in the box if successful (e.g.) or a dot if missed (e.g.). 2 or 3 free throws may be awarded depending on whether or not the shooting foul occurred inside or outside the three point circle. So boxes may appear as follows:

None of 2 free throws successful	••
1 of 2 free throws successful	\square
2 of 2 free throws successful	\boxtimes
None of 3 free throws successful	•••
1 of 3 free throws successful	\sim
2 of 3 free throws successful	\boxtimes
3 of 3 free throws successful	\boxtimes

Mark the running total as indicated; 1 shot in

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2 shots in

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Bonus Shot:

May be awarded if a player is fouled while shooting a successful goal. Draw a circle \bigcirc

	~
No score	\odot
Successful	Ø

Strike a box on the running score if successful.

Team Foul Penalty:

If a team commits more than eight fouls in a half, then two free throws may be awarded to the other team. These are recorded using the box notation described above. Strike a box on the running score for each successful shot.

Fouls:

When a player fouls another the ref will indicate the number of the player and the team responsible. Record the foul against the player by putting a line through one foul box. The scorer must notify the refs if a player's individual foul total reaches five. E.g.

TEAM	
NO. Name	Fouls First Half
5 John Basketballer	1 2 3 4 5
	1 2 3 4 5

A running total of fouls for the team is kept on the left hand side of the form for the 1st half and the right hand side for the 2nd half. Mark one foul box on the relevant running total. As a cross reference the players number is recorded next to the running total. The scorer must notify the refs if the team foul total for the half reaches eight.

	TE.	NIA
	FOI	лs
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	3	12
	3	13

Time Outs:

Each team is entitled to 3 time out calls per game (a maximum of 2 per half). When a coach calls a time out strike a line thru one time out box against the relevant half.

Second Half:

NB: At half time the refs will close off the score sheet for the first half. During the 2nd half scoring continues as described on the right hand side of the form although individual fouls are recorded on the foul grid on the LHS, while the running total of team fouls is recorded on the RHS. Note also that when recording fouls in the 2nd half the line is draw across opposite corners of the box, for both the player fouls and the team fouls e.g.

	TE.	NIA	
	FOI	лs	
5	7	11	
	3	12	
	3	13	

Operating Electronic Score Board and Alternating Possession:

Clock:

The clock should be started at the beginning of each half when the ball is legally tipped, it will run until a siren sounds to note the end of the half. Do not stop the clock except in the last minute of the second half. During the last minute, the clock stops each time the ref blows his/her whistle and is restarted when play restarts (the ref will indicate when to start the clock by lowering his/her arm from vertical to by his/her side).

Points Total:

The timekeeper/scoreboard operator indicates points scored by each team. Confirm total points scored with the scorer after each score.

Fouls Total:

The timekeeper/scoreboard operator also indicates team fouls for the half. Confirm with the scorer after each foul.

Alternating Possession Arrow:

The alternating possession rule is a means of deciding which team gets control of the ball after a contested possession (previously known as a jump ball).

A jump ball occurs at the start of each half. When one team gains control of the ball **after** the tap the arrow is turned in the direction of the opposing teams scoring basket. In subsequent contested possessions the team whose scoring basket is indicated by the arrow gets possession of the ball. The scorer operating the clock is usually responsible for the Alternating Possession Arrow.

The scorer should reverse the arrow when the inbound pass is made.

Scoring Anomalies:

If a major problem becomes apparent, wait for the first dead ball situation, sound the siren to notify the refs and stop the clock.

Finals:

Grand Finals:

During grand final matches the clock is stopped for all time outs and each time the ref blows his/her whistle in the last three minutes of the second half. This also applies to any extra time played.

If the scores are tied at the end of a finals match extra time of 5 minutes is played. Additional extra time periods are played until a result is reached. Finals matches may not end in a draw.

Semi Finals:

Same variation as for the grand final (see above) but the clock is not stopped for time outs except in the last three minutes of the second half.

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COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT

- 1. Remember that basketball is for enjoyment
- 2. Be reasonable in your demands
- 3. Teach understanding and respect for the rules
- 4. Give all players a reasonable amount of court time
- 5. Develop team respect for the ability of opponents including their coaches
- 6. Instil in your players respect for officials and an acceptance of their judgement
- 7. Guide your players in their interaction with the media, parents and spectators
- 8. Group players according to age, height, skills and physical maturity, whenever possible

9. Ensure that equipment and facilities meet safety standards and are appropriate to the age and ability of the players

- 10. Be prepared to lose sometimes
- 11. Act responsibly when players are ill or injured
- 12. As well as imparting knowledge and skills, promote desirable personal and social behaviours
- 13. Keep your knowledge current
- 14. Ensure that any physical contact with a player is appropriate
- 15. Avoid personal relationships with players
- 16. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person
- 17. Always respect the use of facilities and equipment provided



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PARENTS' CODE OF CONDUCT

- 1. Encourage your children to participate for their own interest and enjoyment, not yours
- 2. Encourage children to always play by the rules
- 3. Teach children that an honest effort is always as important as a victory
- 4. Focus on developing skills and playing the game
- 5. A child learns best by example
- 6. Do not criticise your or others' children in front of others
- 7. Accept decisions of all referees as being fair and called to the best of their ability
- 8. Set a good example by your own conduct, behaviour and appearance
- 9. Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities
- 10. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person
- 11. Show appreciation for volunteer coaches, officials and administrators
- 12. Keep children in your care under control
- 13. Always respect the use of facilities and equipment provided



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PLAYERS' CODE OF CONDUCT

- 1. Understand and play by the rules
- 2. Respect referees and other officials
- 3. Control your temper
- 4. Work equally hard for yourself and for your team
- 5. Be a good sport
- 6. Treat all players as you would like to be treated
- 7. Play for the "enjoyment of it" and not just to please parents and coaches
- 8. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person
- 9. Be prepared to lose sometimes
- 10. Listen to the advice of your coach and try to apply it at practice and in games
- 11. Always respect the use of facilities and equipment provided



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SPECTATORS' CODE OF CONDUCT

- 1. Remember that most people play sport for enjoyment
- 2. Accept decisions of all referees as being fair and called to the best of their ability
- 3. Always be positive in your support for players
- 4. Condemn the use of violence in any form
- 5. Respect your team's opponents, officials and spectators
- 6. Encourage players to obey the rules and to accept decisions of officials

7. Demonstrate appropriate social behaviour by not using foul language or harassing players, coaches or officials

- 8. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person
- 9. Keep children in your care under control
- 10. Always respect the use of facilities and equipment provided