

North East Fife Basketball Club

Code of Conduct

Purpose

North East Fife Basketball Club (NEF Basketball) is committed to creating a safe, inclusive, respectful and enjoyable environment for all participants, coaches, volunteers and families.

This Code of Conduct outlines the standards of behaviour expected from everyone involved in the club.

Coaches and Volunteers Code of Conduct

All coaches and volunteers are expected to:

- Put the wellbeing and development of participants first
- Create a positive, inclusive and supportive environment
- Treat all participants fairly and with respect
- Promote effort, learning and enjoyment over winning
- Use appropriate language and behaviour at all times
- Encourage good sportsmanship and respect towards officials, opponents and teammates
- Deliver activities appropriate to the age and ability of participants
- Follow club safeguarding and health & safety procedures
- Maintain appropriate professional boundaries with participants
- Avoid discriminatory, bullying or abusive behaviour
- Arrive prepared and on time for sessions and events
- Lead by example in behaviour, communication and attitude

Coaches and volunteers must never:

- Use threatening, aggressive or inappropriate behaviour
 - Engage in bullying, discrimination or harassment
 - Ignore safeguarding concerns
 - Use alcohol, vaping products or illegal substances during club activities
 - Place winning above participant welfare
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Player Code of Conduct

All players are expected to:

- Show respect to coaches, teammates, officials and opponents

- Listen to instructions and behave safely during sessions
- Try their best and support others positively
- Use appropriate language and behaviour
- Respect equipment and facilities
- Inform coaches of injuries or concerns
- Arrive ready to participate safely
- Include and encourage teammates regardless of ability level

Players must not:

- Bully, intimidate or exclude others
- Use abusive or discriminatory language
- Deliberately behave in a dangerous manner
- Damage equipment or facilities
- Disrupt sessions intentionally

Parent and Spectator Code of Conduct

Parents and spectators are expected to:

- Encourage all participants positively
- Respect coaches, officials, volunteers and other families
- Support the club's inclusive and developmental philosophy
- Allow coaches to coach during sessions and games
- Raise concerns respectfully through appropriate channels
- Ensure participants arrive prepared and are collected promptly
- Remain contactable during sessions

Parents and spectators must not:

- Use abusive or aggressive language
- Coach from the sidelines in a disruptive manner
- Challenge officials, volunteers or young participants aggressively
- Engage in discriminatory or inappropriate behaviour

Social Media and Communication

Everyone associated with NEF Basketball is expected to:

- Communicate respectfully online and in person
- Avoid inappropriate comments about participants, families, coaches or officials
- Respect privacy and safeguarding expectations regarding photographs and videos
- Represent the club positively when using social media

Breaches of the Code of Conduct

Any breaches of this Code of Conduct may result in:

- Informal discussion or warning
- Temporary removal from sessions or events
- Formal disciplinary procedures
- Removal from club activities where necessary

Serious concerns involving safeguarding, discrimination or abusive behaviour may be escalated to relevant authorities or governing bodies.

Club Values

At NEF Basketball we aim to:

- Learn
- Play
- Grow

We want basketball to be:

- Inclusive
 - Positive
 - Challenging
 - Development-focused
 - Enjoyable for all participants
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