Players Code of Conduct

**The Darwin Basketball Association has adopted codes of behaviour for all its stakeholders. Please make yourself familiar with the code as it applies to you as a player.**

• Play by the rules.

• Never argue with an official. If you need clarification, have your captain, coach or manager approach the official during a break or after the competition.

• Work equally hard for yourself and your team. Your team’s performance will benefit and so will you.

• Be a good sport. Applaud all good plays whether they are made by your team or the opposition.

• Show respect to and acknowledge opponents and officials (e.g. shake hands before and after the game and say things like ‘good luck’, ‘thanks for the game’, ‘thanks ref’, ‘three cheers for ...’).\*

• Cooperate with your coach, team mates and opponents. Without them there would be no competition.

• Participate for your own enjoyment and benefit, not just to please parents and coaches.

• Play fair - no verbal abuse of officials, sledging other players (including vilification) or deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent.

• Care for and respect the equipment provided to you as part of your program.

• Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.