



**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF, AND AGREEMENT TO ABIDE BY,
PMBA AND BNSW BEHAVIOURAL AND OTHER POLICIES FOR
COACHES, OFFICIALS, SUPPORT STAFF AND PARTICIPANTS**

I acknowledge that I have read the attached PMBA Code of Behaviour, Zero Tolerance Policy and the PMBA Member Protection Policy (MPP) By-Laws. I also acknowledge any breaches of the above-mentioned policies and by-laws will result in action being taken by PMBA under the Disciplinary and MPP by-laws.

All Policies and By-Laws are available on the PMBA and BNSW websites:

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

BNSW Registration No: _____

If Under 18:

Parent/Guardian/s Signature: _____

Working With Children Check Number: _____

Official's Initials: _____ Date: _____



CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

COACHES, OFFICIALS AND SUPPORT STAFF

As a coach, official and/or support staff member appointed by PMBA, you are expected to meet the following requirements in regard to your conduct at all times:

1. Comply and encourage compliance with PMBA standards, Constitution, By-Laws (including but not limited to the Anti-Doping, Zero Tolerance and Member Protection By-Laws) and policies
2. Encourage and adhere to the rules and spirit of the sport of basketball including national and international guidelines, regulations and rules that govern BNSW and PMBA and the game of basketball and the particular competition in which you are participating
3. Make a commitment to providing a quality service to athletes, PMBA and the game of basketball by:
 - a) Maintaining or improving your current level of accreditation;
 - b) Seeking continual improvement through performance appraisal and education;
 - c) Providing a training program which is planned and sequential; and
 - d) Maintaining relevant records
4. Be fair, considerate and honest with all players, officials and team members. Ensure that every player's time spent with you is a positive experience. Treat each player as an individual by:
 - a) Providing each player with equal attention and opportunities;
 - b) Respecting the talent, development stage and goals of each individual player; and
 - c) Helping each player reach his or her full potential
5. Do not use your involvement with PMBA to promote your own beliefs, behaviours or practices where these are inconsistent with those of PMBA or BNSW
6. Refrain from any form of abuse, harassment or discrimination, or any conduct which might reasonably be regarded as abuse, harassment or discrimination towards others. Be alert to any conduct which may be reasonably regarded as abuse, harassment or discrimination that is directed towards athletes from other sources whilst they are in your care
7. Ensure that any physical contact with players is appropriate for the situation and necessary for the player's skill development
8. Refrain from any intimate relationship or affair with athletes under your care, supervision or tutelage
9. Avoid unaccompanied and unobserved activities with persons under the age of 18 years wherever possible
10. Treat people involved in the game of basketball with courtesy, respect and proper regard for their rights and obligations and in particular, respect the spirit of fair play and non-violence

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11. Team coaching staff and management should not remain in team changing rooms unnecessarily. Generally, coaching staff and management should only be required in changing rooms for pre-game or post-game meetings between coaches and athletes, or if attendance is otherwise required.
12. Refrain from any conduct which is; might be reasonably regarded as; or is being investigated for potentially being a breach of the law applicable to the jurisdiction in which you are located at any time
13. Do not denigrate and/or intimidate players, officials, spectators or event organisers
14. Refrain from unnecessary or obvious dissension, displeasure or disapproval with officials' decisions or spectator or player conduct
15. Be responsible in the consumption of alcohol products. You must also be responsible for the consumption of alcohol products by athletes in your care that are under the legal age for consumption of such products
16. Treat another person's property with respect and due consideration of its value
17. Do not make statements or take part or otherwise participate in demonstrations (whether verbally, in writing or by any act or omission) regarding political, religious or racial matters or any such matters which are prejudicial to or contrary to the objects, purposes or interests of PMBA or which bring PMBA or the squad or team into disrepute
18. Show concern and caution towards sick and injured athletes by:
 - a) Providing a modified training program where appropriate;
 - b) Allowing further participation in training and competition only where appropriate;
 - c) Seeking medical advice when required; and
 - d) Maintaining the same interest and support towards sick and injured athletes
19. Provide a safe environment for training and facilities and competition by:
 - a) Ensuring equipment and facilities meet safety standards; and
 - b) Ensuring equipment, rules and the environment are appropriate for the age and ability of the athletes
20. Behave and encourage behaviour that upholds the highest standards of integrity and dignity. Uphold, and not injure or compromise, the standing and reputation of PMBA
21. Not engage in, or encourage, any conduct which is unbecoming of a PMBA representative that brings the game of basketball and/or PMBA into disrepute or is otherwise harmful to the interests of basketball and/or PMBA

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Be a positive role model for basketball and players. Encourage all participants to demonstrate the qualities outlined in this Code.

What is a breach of the MPP By-Law?

It is a breach of this By-Law for any person bound by this policy to do anything contrary to this By-Law, including but not limited to:

1. Breaching the Codes of Behaviour (refer to Part B of this By-Law);
2. Bringing the sport and/or PMBA into disrepute, or acting in a manner likely to bring the sport and/or PMBA into disrepute;
3. Failing to follow PMBA policies and By-Laws (including this By-Law) and our procedures for the protection, safety and well-being of children;
4. Discriminating against, harassing or bullying (including cyber-bullying) any person;
5. Victimising another person for making or supporting a complaint;
6. Engaging in an inappropriate intimate relationship with a person that he or she supervises, or has influence, authority or power over;
7. Verbally or physically assaulting another person, intimidating another person or creating a hostile environment within the sport;
8. Disclosing to any unauthorised person or organisation any PMBA information that is of a private, confidential or privileged nature;
9. Making a complaint that they know to be untrue, vexatious, malicious, or improper;
10. Failing to comply with a penalty imposed after a finding that the individual has breached this By-Law; and
11. Failing to comply with a direction given to the individual as part of a disciplinary process.

Disciplinary measures

PMBA and Basketball New South Wales may impose disciplinary measures on an individual or organisation for a breach of this By-Law and policies. Any disciplinary measure imposed will be:

- Fair and reasonable;
- Applied consistent with any contractual and employment rules and requirements;
- Based on the evidence and information presented and the seriousness of the breach; and;
- Determined in accordance with our Constitution, Policies, this By-Law and/or rules of the sport.

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Individual

Subject to contractual and employment requirements, if a finding is made by a Tribunal (Administrative or Disciplinary) that an individual has breached this By-Law, one or more of the following forms of discipline may be imposed:

1. A direction that the individual make a verbal and/or written apology;
2. A written warning;
3. A direction that the individual attend counselling to address their behaviour;
4. A withdrawal of any awards, scholarships, placings, records, achievements bestowed in any tournaments, activities or events held or sanctioned by PMBA;
5. A demotion or transfer of the individual's to another location, role or activity;
6. A suspension of the individual's membership or participation or engagement in a role or activity;
7. Termination of the individual's membership, appointment or engagement;
8. Any other forms of discipline that the Tribunal considers appropriate.