



ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY:

To ensure an ongoing safe and enjoyable playing environment for all players, officials, parents and spectators, Basketball Manawatu will implement a 'Zero Tolerance' policy for Sport Rage.

The implementation of this policy is aimed at eliminating poor behaviour and rebuilding a culture of supportive and rewarding behaviour to further encourage and strengthen our sport in general as we strive to make Basketball the sport of choice in the Manawatu.

This policy will supplement the following current codes of conduct;

- Basketball Manawatu Player Behaviour Code of Conduct
- Basketball Manawatu Coach Behaviour Code of Conduct
- Basketball Manawatu Parent & Spectator Behaviour Code of Conduct
- Basketball New Zealand Referee Behaviour Code of Conduct and Fair Play
- Basketball New Zealand Code of Conduct and Fair Play

***Once finalised the policy will be forward to all registered teams prior to Wednesday 7 February.
All players are required to accept the Zero Tolerance Policy and Basketball Manawatu Player Behaviour
Code of Conduct via the online portal, prior to taking the court.***

C3 Code of conduct and fair play for players

C3.1 Players shall conduct themselves in a manner which brings credit to themselves and the game and shall:

- (a) Play according to the letter and intent of the rules and regulations of basketball and of the particular game, tournament, or league in which they are participating.
- (b) Play in a spirit of competitive sportsmanship accepting the official's decisions without dissent.
- (c) Control their behaviour on and off the court and refrain from any violent or abusive actions and language.
- (d) Co-operate fully with their coach and team mates, remembering that they are participating in a team sport.
- (e) Respect their opponents and not participate in any baiting, verbal abuse, or intimidating activities.
- (f) Be humble in victory and gracious in defeat.

C3.2 Players shall accept refereeing with good grace:

- (a) Approaches to referees shall be by the (court) captain and/or head coach only and in accordance with the provisions of FIBA Official Basketball Rules.
- (b) Court captains (and coaches) are to approach referees in a courteous and reasonable manner.

C3.3 Players shall refrain from:

- (a) Continually following officials to question decisions.
- (b) Dissenting from decisions, either with words or body language.
- (c) Making gestures with waves of arms, indecent body language, facial expressions, and other similar actions of dissent.
- (d) "Mouthing off" when officials turn their backs or the player turns away from the official.
- (e) Using rude, offensive and/or threatening language.