



BMBA Behavioural Expectations/ Code of Conduct

- We are all here for fun and enjoyment.
- Treat all participants in your sport as you like to be treated. Do not bully or take unfair advantage of anyone.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
- Never ridicule or scold a young player for making a mistake. Positive comments are motivational. Avoid use of derogatory language or comments.
- All participants are expected to actively support all efforts to remove all forms of verbal abuse such as sledging or trash-talk from our sporting environment.
- Be a fair winner and good loser. Everyone wins and loses sometimes.
- Respect the decisions of officials. Never argue with an official. Encourage everyone to follow the rules and the officials' decisions.
- Control your temper. Verbal abuse, deliberately distracting or provoking anyone is not acceptable or permitted behaviours.
- Be a good sport. Applaud all good plays whether they are made by your team or the opposition. Applaud good performance and efforts from all individuals and teams. Congratulate all participants on their performance regardless of the game's outcome.
- Cooperate with all involved. Without them there would be no competition.
- Show respect for your team's opponents. Without them, there would be no game.
- Offensive, hostile or negative comments and any references designed to 'bait' opposition players, coaches, referees or spectators is strictly prohibited
- Making comments or posting images of a personally insulting nature about any coaches, referees, players, officials or other participant, in any public forum (this has particular relevance to all social media sites) is not permitted.
- Taking video or still images of any participant in the BMBA whilst at The Blue Mountains Sports and Aquatic Centre without the express permission of that participant is NOT permitted.
- Be respectful and accept responsibility for your actions.
- Display high standards in your language, punctuality, preparation and presentation.
- Display control, respect, dignity and professionalism to all involved.
- Show concern and caution toward sick and injured athletes, encourage them to seek medical advice if required and only allow further participation when appropriate.
- Ensure any physical contact is made only as necessary and must be appropriate in manner.
- Do not attend games if you are alcohol or drug affected. If you see anyone who is let an official know and they will be asked to leave.
- Be a positive role model!