

## GSABA Code of Conduct - Coaches

### *Coaches at all times accept and adhere to the following behaviours:*

Coaches are not to make overly verbal or animated objections to a referee's decision.

Coaches are not to attempt to intimidate an opponent, or an official, by their words or actions.

Coaches are to refrain from asking questions or making comments to a referee whilst play is in progress or during short stoppages in play. This includes but is not limited to:

- A throw in resulting from a violation, foul or other occurrence,
- During the administration of free throws, or
- During a stoppage in play for substitutions.

Coaches are to direct questions to referee's only during time-outs, quarter and half-time breaks.

Coaches are to limit their questioning of Referee's to either Rules or Bylaw interpretations. If a coach is not satisfied with a ruling, he/she may seek clarification with Court Supervisor for that stadium but he/she may not stay and argue the point with the referees.

Coaches are not to make statements of an abusive nature towards a referee the nature of which includes but is not limited to:

- Performance or competence of referee or partner,
- Racial Discrimination,
- Gender or Sexuality based remarks, or
- Perceived bias of a referee towards an opposing team.

Coaches are not to use audible obscenities, which can be heard by other players, spectators or officials.

Coaches are to treat all players, spectators, officials and other coaches with the same respect, professionalism and courtesy that you expect.

Coaches are requested to assist a referee's request to address the conduct of his/her players and spectators.

Team followers who sit on the team bench are the responsibility of the Coach.

Spectators who are not sitting on the team bench will be answerable to the Court Supervisor. (Umpire in Charge).