

# Truro Titans Youth Basketball Association Codes of Conduct

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## *Player's Code of Conduct*

- I will encourage good sportsmanship from fellow players, coaches, officials and parents at every game and practice by demonstrating good sportsmanship.
- I will attend every practice and game that I can, and will notify my coach if I cannot. I will be on time for practice and games and I will let my coach know if I need to arrive to a practice or game late.
- I will do my best to listen and to learn from my coaches.
- I will treat my coaches, other players, officials and fans with respect regardless of race, gender, religious affiliation, or abilities, and I will expect to be treated accordingly.
- I will do my very best in school.
- I will remember that sports are an opportunity to learn and to have fun.
- I will learn the rules of the game and I will try to follow the rules of the game.
- I will not engage in unsportsmanlike conduct with any coach, parent, player, participant, league official or any other attendee.
- I will not engage in any behavior which would endanger the health, safety, or well-being of a coach, parent, player, participant, league official or any other attendee.
- I will not engage in the use of profanity while attending or participating in a youth sports event.
- I will not engage in verbal or physical threats or abuse aimed at any coach, parent, player, participant, league official or any other attendee.
- I will not initiate a fight or scuffle with any coach, parent, player, participant, league official, or any other attendee.
- I will not use alcohol, drugs, or tobacco products at any game, practice, or team related function.
- I also agree that if I fail to abide by the above code of conduct, I will be subject to disciplinary action that could include but is not limited to the following:
  - a. Verbal warning by official, head coach, and/or the league or organization
  - b. Written warning
  - c. Practice and/or game(s) suspension
  - d. Player season suspension

## *Coach Code of Conduct*

As a leader and coach with the Truro Titans Youth Basketball Association, I understand the importance of the role I play in the lives of my players, and will ensure that my conduct sets the proper example for other coaches, team members, and spectators. I accept the great responsibility this places on me and I accept the following code of conduct:

- I will promote growth and development in a positive and supportive manner. I will nurture good sportsmanship by teaching and personally demonstrating my commitment to these virtues. I will remember that I am a youth basketball coach, and that the game is for children.
- I will not verbally, physically, or psychologically abuse any player, referee, coach, parent, spectator, official, or executive member, even in jest.
- I will not use alcohol, drugs, or tobacco products during any game or practice.
- I will not use profanity directed at any youth, parent, coach, referee, or official in practices or games.
- I will be supportive of the Association, the players, coaches and executive members, and agree to fulfill my coaching assignment with a high standard of behavior that will reflect well on the Association and upon me as an individual. I agree to support the Association in its aims and objectives.
- I will teach and demonstrate respect for the laws of the game. I will insist on the highest respect for officials by players, parents, and fans. I will refrain from questioning official's decisions in a disrespectful or abusive manner. I understand that disrespectful, abusive, or very negative conduct is contrary to the laws of the game and that excessive criticism of officials could destroy the game.
- I will follow facility rules and regulations, respecting at all times the property of others.
- I understand that I am responsible for the behavior of the players on my team. I will model and encourage good sportsmanship.
- I will demonstrate appropriate gestures of sportsmanship at the conclusion of a game. Be humble and generous in victory and proud and courteous in defeat.
- I understand that if I am coaching athletes playing at the U10 Jr. Mini, U12 Mini, and U14 Bantam Division 3 and lower division levels that playing time is distributed equally to players.
- I understand that if I am coaching athletes playing at the U18 Juvenile, U16 Midget and U14 Bantam Division 1 and 2 levels that playing time is not distributed equally to players and is distributed at the discretion of coaching personnel and may be dependent upon such factors as player skill level, athletic ability, physical development (e.g., size, speed, strength), years of experience playing basketball, commitment, motivation, attitude and effort, etc.

I understand that if I violate this Code of Conduct, I may receive a warning from the Association, suspension, or be dismissed of all club related and coaching privileges.

## *Parent Code of Conduct*

- I (and my guests) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials and spectators at every game, practice or other sporting event.
- I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent such as taunting; refusing to shake hands; or using profane language or gestures.
- I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and well-being of the athletes.
- I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
- I will demand that my child treat other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect regardless of race, gender, religious affiliation, or ability.
- I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participant for making a mistake or losing a competition.
- I will respect the officials and their authority during games and will never question, discuss, or confront coaches at the game field, and will take time to speak with coaches at an agreed upon time and place.
- I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and I will refrain from their use at all sports events.
- I will support the coach in any way I can. I will not harass, taunt or yell anything to the coach during practices or games. If I need to talk to the coach, I will do it privately at an agreed upon time/place, or through e-mail.
- I will be supportive of the Association, the players, coaches and executive members, and conduct myself with a high standard of behavior that will reflect well on the Association and upon me as an individual.

I also agree, that if I fail to abide by the parent/spectator code of conduct, I will be subject to disciplinary action that could include, but is not limited to the following:

- a. warning by the head coach, official and/or Association executive
- b. be asked by the Association executive or head coach or official not to attend games and/or practices
- c. player suspension