Code of Conduct

Basketball Players can benefit greatly from sports in terms of personal development and enjoyment. As part of their participation our players must be encouraged to realise that due to their participation in sport they also have a responsibility to treat others with fairness and respect. With rights there will always be responsibilities. Below is a Code of Conduct that all players should put into practice. It is everybody's responsibility to ensure that the Code is fully implemented.

Neptune Basketball Club are governed by Basketball Ireland and Sport Ireland with respect to codes of conduct and best practice for children in sport, this will provide a clear pathway to appeal any disciplinary decisions we may take in the future.

Members are responsible for adhering to all public health measures imposed by the Irish Government while on the premises and representing Neptune Basketball Club.

PLAYERS SHOULD BE ENTITLED TO:

- Be safe and feel safe.
- Have fun and experience a sense of enjoyment and fulfilment.
- Be treated with respect, dignity and sensitivity.
- Comment and make suggestions in a constructive manner.
- Be afforded appropriate confidentiality.
- Participate in games and competitions at levels with which they feel comfortable.
- Make their concerns known and have them dealt with in an appropriate manner.
- Be protected from abuse.
- Be listened to.

PLAYERS SHOULD ALWAYS

- Play fairly, do their best and enjoy themselves.
- Respect fellow team members regardless of ability, cultural or ethnic origin, gender, and sexual orientation or religion beliefs.
- Support fellow team members regardless of whether they do well or not.
- Represent their team, their Club and their family with pride and dignity. (home and away)
- Respect all coaches, officials and their opponents.
- Be gracious in defeat and modest in victory.
- Shake hands after a game, irrespective of the result.
- Inform their Coach in advance if they are unavailable for training and games.
- Take due care of Club equipment.
- Adhere to acceptable standards of behavior and their Club's Code of Conduct
- Tell somebody else if they or others have been harmed in any way.

Club Disciplinary Committee

Breaches of our Code will unfortunately occur from time to time. This may happen as a result of carelessness, poor practice, lack of understanding or there may in some instances be deliberate or indeed calculated breaches of the Code. Where breaches do occur, the coach will record the incident and present the incident report to the Disciplinary Committee who will then investigate the matter.

The Disciplinary Committee will then meet with the person / persons involved (underage members to be accompanied by a parent / guardian). To discuss the incident and to allow the person / persons involved to share their version of events.

Once this has concluded a decision of the Disciplinary Committee will be communicated to the person / persons involved. Sanctions imposed include revoking of membership.

The person / persons involved will have the opportunity to appeal the decision / sanction imposed to the clubs Executive committee.

The Executive Committee decision on the matter will be final.

The person / persons involved may appeal the decision of the Executive Committee to the Cork County Board within 14 days.

The person / persons involved may then take an appeal to the National Appeals committee of Basketball Ireland, an independent body.