

## REPRESENTATIVE PROGRAM – PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT

**Basketball Victoria By-Laws** are binding on all members of BV and other persons who or organisations which submit themselves to the jurisdiction of BV. BV has delegated the power of hearing and determining such charges to the BV Tribunal (“Tribunal”) in accordance with the provisions of these By-laws.

The Tribunal shall have power to suspend, disqualify, reprimand, fine, ban or otherwise deal with any person involved with basketball (including, but not limited to players, coaches, teams, clubs, officials other than referees, umpires and accredited score table officials, or spectators) in accordance with these By-laws, regarding any incident arising from an activity conducted by the organising bodies. The incident may have occurred before, during or after the conduct of the activity, within the confines of the stadium, activity venue or its immediate surrounds or elsewhere if directly related to a basketball activity of any sort.

**Reportable conduct also includes conduct relating to basketball which occurs by email, telephone, social media or computer and includes cyber bullying.**

**Melbourne Central Basketball Association as the management of Melbourne Tigers Basketball expects players to abide by the following codes of behaviour:**

- Understand and play by the rules.
- Respect referees and other officials. NEVER argue with a referee. Accept ALL decisions. If you disagree ask your coach to discuss the matter after the game.
- Control your emotions. Displaying anger or frustration is not acceptable and only advantages the opposition, this includes controlling your emotions by displaying respectful behaviour at all times towards the team, opposition and coaches when representing Melbourne Tigers.
- Work equally hard for yourself and your team. Be a team player.
- Be a good sport. Applaud all good play by your team and opposition. Always help a fallen player to their feet whether it is a team mate or an opponent.
- Treat all players as you would like to be treated. Co-operate in a positive manner with your coach, team mates, team manager and opponents.
- Play for the “enjoyment of it” and not just to please parents and coaches.
- Having fun is the most important reason for playing.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person. Do not verbally, electronically or physically abuse, criticise, vilify or tease your opponents, team mates, coach, team manager, referees or other officials, parents or spectators.
- Be prepared to lose sometimes. Be a fair winner and a good loser.
- Listen to the advice of your coach and try to apply it at practice and in games.
- Always respect the use of facilities and equipment provided. Look after your basketball equipment.

- Be committed. Arrive on time for games and trainings. Inform your coach and team manager if you can't attend it or will be arriving late.
- Wear the correct specified club clothing for games and training.
- Remove all jewellery prior to training and games, as it is a hazard to you and those around you.
- Maintain your focus and work hard for yourself and your team.

Unacceptable behaviour will result in disciplinary action following the Melbourne Central Basketball Association Complaints and Grievance Policy against the player concerned.

**All players are expected to understand and agree when registering through PlayHQ that if they break this Code of Conduct there will be consequences and they may be stopped from playing with Melbourne Tigers.**

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