



COBRAS BASKETBALL CLUB

..your CLUB, your FAMILY, working with your COMMUNITY



Basketball England Code of Ethics Adopted by Cobras Basketball Club

All players must:

- Treat everyone equally and sensitively regardless of age, disability, gender, race, ethnic origin, cultural background, sexual orientation, religious beliefs or political affiliation
- Treat your team-mates and opponents, coaches, club officials and match officials with respect and consideration at all times - treat them as you would like to be treated;
- Not use foul, sexist, racist language or offensive gestures at any time
- Know and abide by the rules and spirit of the game;
- Avoid violence and rough play and help injured opponents;
- **Accept the decisions of the match officials without question or complaint (let your captain or coach ask the necessary questions) and avoid words or actions which may mislead a Match Official;**
- Abide by the instructions of the coach and club officials, provided they do not contradict the spirit of this Code of Ethics and Conduct or the rules of basketball;
- Not attempt to improve individual performance with the use of banned substances/techniques;
- Condemn the use of recreation and performance enhancing drugs and abide by all anti-doping requirements;
- Give maximum effort and strive for the best possible performance through the whole game, even if it is considered already over.
- Concentrate on the game, do not react/respond to undue criticism from spectators, parents, opposition coaches or opposition club officials. Raise any concerns calmly and professionally to the match officials to respond, deal and report.

- Learn to accept victory and defeat with humility and dignity and without excessive emotional displays.

Work equally hard for yourself and your team - your team's performance will benefit and so will your own.

- Be a good sport, applaud all good performance, whether by your team or by the opponent;
- Thank your opponents and the match officials at the end of play.
- Abide by the Basketball England Social Media policy.

<https://www.basketballengland.co.uk/media/12671/code-of-ethics.pdf>