

COACH CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

In addition to BC Netball's General Code of Behaviour, you must meet the following requirements with regard to your conduct during any activity held by or under the auspices of BC Netball.

STANDARDS OF BEHAVIOUR EXPECTED OF COACHES.

A. *Physical Safety and Health of Athletes.*

- *Ensure that training and/or competition site is safe at all times.*
- *Be prepared to act quickly and appropriately in case of an emergency.*
- *Avoid placing athletes in situations presenting unnecessary health and well-being risk or that are beyond their level.*
- *Strive to preserve the present and future health and well-being of athletes.*

B. *Coaching Responsibly.*

- *Make wise use of the authority of the position and make decisions in the interest of athletes.*
- *Foster self-esteem among athletes.*
- *Avoid deriving personal advantage for a situation or decision.*
- *Know one's limitations in terms of knowledge and skills when making decisions, giving instructions or taking action.*
- *Maintain confidentiality and privacy of personal information and use it appropriately.*
- *Adopt responsible behaviour in relation to alcohol and other drugs.*
- *Treat each person as an individual.*
- *Coach according to the level and nature of the competition and the age and expectations of the participants (LTAD).*
- *Help each person reach their potential - respect the talent, developmental stage and goals of each person and compliment and encourage with positive and supportive feedback.*

C. *Integrity in Relations with Others.*

- *Act with integrity and objectivity and accept responsibility for your decisions and actions. Avoid situations that may affect objectivity or impartiality of coaching duties.*
- *Abstain from all behaviours considered to be harassment or inappropriate relations with an athlete.*

- *Wherever practical, avoid unaccompanied and unobserved one-on-one activity (when in a supervisory capacity or where a power imbalance will exist) with people under the age of 18 years.*
- *Always ensure decisions are taken equitably.*
- *Display control and courtesy at all times.*
- *Adopt appropriate and responsible behaviour in all interactions.*
- *Ensure your decisions and actions contribute to a harassment free environment.*

D. Respect.

- *Operate within the rules and spirit of netball, promoting fair play over winning at any cost.*
- *Ensure that everyone is treated equally, regardless of age, ancestry, colour, race, citizenship, ethnic origin, place of origin, language, creed, religion, athletic potential, disability, family status, gender identity, gender expression, sex, and sexual orientation.*
- *Preserve the dignity of each person in interacting with others. Do not tolerate harmful or abusive behaviour.*
- *Encourage and support opportunities for people to learn appropriate behaviour and skills.*
- *Respect the decisions of umpires, officials, coaches and administrators in the conduct of the sport.*
- *Respect the principles, rules and policies of the BC Netball Association.*

E. Honouring Sport.

- *Strictly observe and ensure observance of all regulations.*
- *Follow the rules of Fair Play. Endeavor to instill pride and sportsmanship in all players.*
- *Inspire a love of the game and a work ethic.*
- *Support opportunities for participation in all aspects of the sport.*
- *Maintain dignity in all circumstances and exercise self control.*
- *Respect officials and accept their decisions without questioning their integrity.*