



## **CODE OF CONDUCT**

The BC Netball Association is committed to the belief that every individual deserves to be treated with dignity and respect. It believes in fair play and the fundamental right of all its members and athletes to compete in a fair and enjoyable environment at all times.

The Codes of Conduct for players, coaches, umpires, officials and administrators are a series of guidelines for responsible behaviour.

Fair play is a way of thinking that includes a desire to play in the correct spirit of the game and within the rules of the game. The development of fair play and sportsmanlike behaviour is not an automatic consequence of playing netball but can be learned from and encouraged by coaches, umpires and administrators who provide positive role models and apply consistent reinforcement for what are considered to be desirable actions.

BC Netball accepts all language contained in the British Columbia Universal Code of Conduct (BC UCC). A copy of the code is hosted <u>here.</u>

## **GENERAL CODE OF BEHAVIOUR FOR ALL MEMBERS.**

All Participants who take part in any activity that is organized and/or sanctioned by BC Netball are required to conform to the following standards of behaviour and conduct:

Participants must:

- 1. Respect the right of all players to participate with freedom from discrimination regardless of colour, disability, ethnic origin, nationality, race, religion, sex or sexual orientation.
- 2. Treat all persons with respect and courtesy and have proper regard for their dignity, rights and obligations.
- 3. Be ethical, fair, considerate and honest in all dealings with others.
- 4. Operate within the rules and spirit of the game.
- 5. Refrain from performing any acts that are unsporting, insulting and/or are contrary to the integrity of the sport of Netball and that may bring or have the potential to bring the sport of Netball into disrepute ( including without limitation, statements made on social networking platforms or sites such as Twitter /Facebook or similar)

- 6. Refrain from committing serious or repeated breaches of the official rules of the game of Netball.
- 7. Refrain from using any abusive, threatening, intimidating, offensive, insulting, crude abusive language or gestures towards umpires, match officials, tournament officials, spectators or other participants, whether on or off the court.
- 8. Accept and observe the authority and decisions of umpires, match officials, tournament officials and disciplinary bodies.

