

## GROTON-DUNSTABLE YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUE COACHES' CODE OF CONDUCT

The Groton Dunstable Youth Basketball League has adopted a Coaches Code of Conduct. We ask that you pledge to be responsible for your words and actions while conducting all basketball events and endorse all the following guidelines.

1. I will treat each player as an individual, remembering the wide range of emotional and physical development for the same age group and place the player's emotional and physical well being ahead of my personal desire to win.
2. I will be a positive role model for my players and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials, and spectators at every game, practice, or other related sporting event. I will remember that I am a youth sports coach and that the game is for the children and not adults.
3. I will be knowledgeable in the rules of the game and will teach these rules to my players.
4. I will abide by all league rules and will make certain that I honor the league playing time rules for all players in both regular season and playoff games adhering to the playing time rules of the Travel and Recreation program, respectively.
5. I will take all suggestions, concerns, issues, problems or criticism directly to the Recreation and Travel League Boards for assistance and guidance and not to parents, players, or other individuals.

In addition to the above, the following specific behaviors are unacceptable and any disciplinary action will be in the hands of the GDYBL Board of Directors:

1. Vehemently arguing with or berating officials, opposing coaches, parents, or players.
2. Open criticism of officials, opposing coaches, parents or players.
3. Using offensive or profane language or throwing balls, clipboards, or anything else.
4. Being under the influence of drugs or alcohol while at any GDYBL practice, game or athletic event.

I have read, and acknowledge agreement to, this Code of Conduct of the GDYBL Board of Directors. I will commit to abiding by all of the above guidelines.

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Coach's Name (please print)

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Coach's Signature

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Date