

Morton Basketball Association Coaches Code of Conduct & Behavioral Standards Policy

The purpose of MBA is to provide a safe, organized, and enjoyable environment that encourages all players to participate in learning the fundamentals of basketball. We further aim to promote coaching involvement to achieve these aims.

Sportsmanship is essential to our organization. Sportsmanship includes a behavior and attitude from players, coaches, parents, and fans that demonstrate mutual respect. In our continuing effort to encourage a positive support base for our athletes, MBA has adopted a 'Coaches Code of Conduct' and 'Behavioral Standards Policy'. This policy applies to all MBA Head Coaches and Assistant Coaches.

Coaches Code of Conduct –

All Morton Basketball Association Coaches:

- 1.) Will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, volunteer or parent such as booing and taunting; refusing to shake hands; or using profane language or gestures.
- 2.) Will help teach their players that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that any player will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his or her performance.
- 3.) Will treat players, coaches, officials, volunteers and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.
- 4.) Will not engage in nor encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the emotional and/or physical health and well being of the players/athletes.
- 5.) Will be a positive role model for all players and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials, volunteers and spectators at every game, practice or sporting event.
- 6.) Will not cheat or engage in any form of unethical behaviour that violates MBA rules or league rules.
- 7.) Will provide a sports environment for my team that is free from drugs, tobacco and alcohol; and will refrain from their use at all youth sports and MBA events.
- 8.) Will be knowledgeable in the rules of the sport and teach these rules to my players.
- 9.) Will proactively report any violations or potential violations of this policy or any other MBA Policy, to the MBA Board of Directors.

Behavioral Standards Policy –

The aim of this policy is not only the promotion of sportsmanship, but also to encourage positive and effective communication between our board, our athletes, and our parents and coaches.

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Therefore, any person that demonstrates behavior that is detrimental to our program may be suspended or permanently expelled from the program. Detrimental behavior includes verbal or physical abuse of MBA or other players, coaches, spectators, referees, officials, volunteers or Board Members. All participants in our program will be held to this standard.

While one of the primary goals of MBA is the promotion of good sportsmanship, it should be understood that poor sportsmanship will not be tolerated under any circumstances.

MBA referees, coaches, and Board of Directors will enforce this policy and may have a person removed from the facility if deemed necessary.

All decisions pertaining to the suspension or removal of anyone from our program lies within the discretion of the MBA Board of Directors.

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I certify that I have read and understand the Morton Basketball Association Coaches Code of Conduct and Behavioral Standards Policy and agree to abide by the expectations and standards outlined above. Furthermore, I understand that failure to comply with the MBA Coaches Code of Conduct or Behavioral Standards Policy may result in revocation of my Morton Basketball Association coaching position and, if deemed necessary, suspension or expulsion from the program.

Head Coach's Name _____

Head Coach's Team _____

Head Coach's Signature _____ Date _____

1st Asst. Coach's Name _____

1st Asst. Coach's Signature _____ Date _____

2nd Asst. Coach's Name _____

2nd Asst. Coach's Signature _____ Date _____

3rd Asst. Coach's Name _____

3rd Asst. Coach's Signature _____ Date _____

Please use another form, for additional assistant coaches if needed.

Thank you for helping us set high quality sportsmanship standards for the children that participate in our program.