

## BAHRAIN ELITE BASKETBALL

Player and Parent Code of Conduct

## **Purpose:**

The purpose of this Code of Conduct is to ensure a safe and positive environment for all participants, players, spectators and families in the Bahrain Elite Basketball community by instituting a Zero Tolerance Policy. Bahrain Elite Basketball is committed to providing a sport environment in which all individuals are treated with respect and dignity. All Individuals will be aware that there is an expectation, at all times, of appropriate behavior consistent with the values of the Bahrain Elite Basketball.

## **Players Code of Conduct:**

- I accept responsibility for my behavior on and off the court. I understand that what I do and say affects my teammates, and other people either positively or negatively.
- I lead courageously and live with integrity by speaking up against injustice and on behalf of others even if it is hard or unpopular.
- I act with respect toward myself and the people and things around me, including my parents, coaches, teammates, staff, opponents, and spectators.
- I act with empathy. I try to understand what is going on in the hearts and minds of others and what is causing those feelings so that I can be supportive and encouraging. I ask, "How can I help you?"
- I serve as a role model at all times by talking politely and acting courteously toward staff, coaches, teammates, opponents, officials, and spectators. I understand that it is a privilege to represent my family and community as an athlete.
- I give 100 percent effort to practices, games, and events. I understand that that effort demonstrated my commitment to the team and my respect for my coaches and teammates.
- I display good sportsmanship. I acknowledge and applaud the efforts of others. I encourage my teammates with positive statements. I refrain from boasting to my teammates and "trash-talking" to members of other teams. I accept defeat graciously by congratulating my opponents on a game well played, when I win I do it with humility.

## **Parent Code of Conduct:**

- Understand and endorse the purpose of our program:
  - o to help the young children in our care to become future adults of empathy and integrity who will lead, be responsible, and change the world for good.
- Support the coaches by applauding behavior in your child and their teammates that demonstrates characteristics of integrity, empathy, sacrifice, and responsibility.
- Acknowledge and appreciate players' growth toward maturity and their effort toward establishing stronger relationships with teammates, coaches, and themselves.
- Affirm your child and their teammates when they display good character, healthy sportsmanship, and other positive behaviour.
- Serve as role models for our players, talking politely and acting courteously toward staff, coaches, officials, parents, and spectators at all times.

- Model good sportsmanship. Acknowledge and applaud the efforts of team members and
  opponents. Accept defeat graciously by congratulating the members of the opposing team on a
  game well played and win with humility. Support the team regardless of how your child plays or
  what the win-loss record is.
- Encourage your child and their teammates with positive statements, even when they make mistakes. At every practice they are growing physically and emotionally. At every practice they are learning moral and ethical lessons.
- Refrain from boasting about your child's accomplishments publicly as this may make other
  children and parents feel bad, and our goal is to create a positive space for all children, parents,
  families and participants.
- When problems or questions arise, please have your child present the problem to his position coach or staff member first. We want players to develop self-advocacy. After meeting with the coach or staff, if the issue requires more clarity, then contact the individual as a parent/guardian.
- Because I am a parent with the power and platform to make a positive difference in the life of every player, I commit to this code of conduct.

Parent/Guardian Signature: