



## Code of Conduct for Parents and Carers:

ANZA Basketball is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the wellbeing of all its members. ANZA believes that it is important that parents associated with the programme should, at all times, show respect and understanding for the safety and welfare of others. As parents/carers of players you are expected to be contactable throughout the session. You are also expected to abide by the following code:

- Focus on effort and performance rather than winning or losing. Promote your child's participation in playing sport for fun.
- Treat all members of the ANZA Basketball community with respect. Never publicly criticise your child or others in the sport, or other parents including on social media.
- Do not engage in behaviour that undermines team cohesion or club culture. All communication should be constructive and in the spirit of support and community.
- Children learn best by example. Behave responsibly, applaud good play and thank coaches, officials after games.
- Support and encourage fair play from all players, including the opposition.
- From the sidelines, provide positive encouragement only. Refrain from shouting tactical instructions, positional directions or criticism during games.
- Players should receive guidance from their coach only, to avoid confusion and mixed messages.
- Respect the coach-led team environment during quarter and half-time breaks. These breaks are for coaching instruction and team discussion. Parents are asked not to enter team huddles or provide feedback, tactical advice or performance critique during this time.
- Allow players space to develop independence and resilience. Post-match conversations should focus on effort, enjoyment and learning rather than mistakes or results.
- Do not place your child under pressure or push them into activities they do not want to do.
- Ensure that your child understands their code of conduct.
- Accept all decisions and requests by coaches/officials on the day. If you wish to dispute them later, find a time convenient to both parties. Never argue on the courts in front of players.
- Discuss any concerns with the coach (at a convenient time) so they can address them directly.
- Show appreciation and support the coach/official/committee member, remembering that ANZA relies on volunteers.
- Remove all litter from the playing areas and assist where needed to set up and put away equipment.
- Ensure your child has adequate food/drink and sun protection.
- Ensure punctual arrival to all sessions and matches.
- Ensure your child is never left unsupervised.



- Ensure siblings are always supervised, do not disrupt the sessions and are respectful of other members. Do not allow them to play with non-ANZA equipment.

Any breaches of this code of conduct will be dealt with immediately by a Coach or Committee Member. Persistent concerns or breaches may result in you regrettably being asked to leave the Basketball programme.