



Cape Cod Youth Basketball League Coaches' Code of Conduct

As a CCYBL coach, I am responsible to both lead my team and appropriately represent the values promoted by the league. My responsibilities to my players and team include but are not limited to: fostering the love of the game, teaching the skills necessary to its execution, creating a positive practice and playing environment, and promoting good sportsmanship and team values. As a representative of the league I will at all times behave in a manner respectful of all participants in any practice or game situation including players, family members, spectators, league or club personnel, opposing coaches or players, game officials, and Scorer's Table personnel.

To these ends I agree that:

- > I will abide at all times by the principles set forth in the CCYBL Understanding Regarding Conduct and Sportsmanship (http://www.capehoops.com/documents/ccybl_conduct_w-signature.pdf) and will encourage all team members, families and spectators to do likewise.
- > The physical and emotional health and well-being of my players and those on any other team shall take precedence over any competitive desires or effort to win.
- > I will read, understand, and abide by the current CCYBL Game Play Rules as posted at <http://www.capehoops.com/rules.asp> . I will carry with me a copy of those rules and any relevant league game-play memos to all games and help assure that there are also copies of those documents available at the scorers' table as set forth in Rule 18.
- > I recognize that youth sports are conducted for the fun and development of the players involved, and not for any spectator or any coach's satisfaction at winning. I fully understand that in every sense the CCYBL exists and is organized for the benefit of children, not adults.
- > I will support the decisions of the game officials and table personnel. I will not make any great show of disagreement with them nor express any derogatory remarks toward them, either during or after the game has been completed. I will serve as a proper example in this regard to my players, their families, and all spectators and other participants. I will instruct and expect my players and others to behave in a like manner. I will direct my efforts toward coaching my players and not toward officiating the game nor criticizing anyone acting in an official capacity.
- > As soon as the game ends, I will assemble my players, assistants and myself for the traditional handshake line with the other team and the game officials (should the officials choose to participate). I agree that, other than this brief and courteous encounter, no coach, player, parent, or spectator is permitted to approach an official after any game for any reason--be it criticism or clarification of a call or rule.
- > I agree to abide by this Code and further agree to abide by the decisions of the CCYBL Executive Board and/or Board of Directors relative to discipline (warning, suspension, or expulsion) should I fail to observe either the rule or the spirit of this document. I also attest that my assistant coaches have read and understand this Code of Conduct and that they are also subject to its provisions.

Coach's Name _____ Team _____

Signed _____ Date _____