

Most players (in particular children) participate in netball activities for fun. They are not participating for entertainment of spectators only. The following Code of Behaviour applies to all Parents and Spectators in attendance at the Belconnen Netball Association competition.

It is a condition of entry to the Belconnen Netball Association courts that you agree to abide by the following Code of Behaviour:

- Put emphasis on effort rather than outcome. Winning is only a part of Netball. Encourage enjoyment of Netball.
- Set realistic standards and objectives. Be reasonable in demands on participants' time, energy and enthusiasm. Consider the maturity of participants when planning sessions and remember they have other interests and commitments.
- Give participants the opportunity to develop their full Netball potential, yet avoid overplaying talented participants; the 'just average' need and deserve equal court time.
- Show concern and caution to sick and injured participants
- Display control, respect and professionalism to all involved with Netball. This includes team members, coaches, umpires, administrators, sports trainers, media, parents and spectators. Encourage participants to demonstrate the same qualities.
- Never use any form of personal abuse towards any other person. This includes verbal, physical and emotional abuse. Physical contact with any participant should be appropriate to the situation and necessary only for their skill development
- All individuals have a Duty of Care, which is "an obligation to take reasonable care to avoid causing foreseeable harm to another person or their property". Failure to do so can result in Negligence.
- Respect the rights, dignity, and worth of all participants regardless of their age, gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

Designated officials are authorised to require you to leave the Belconnen Netball Association courts if you breach the Code of Behaviour through for example:

- Verbal or physical abuse of another person;
- Harassment of individuals or a group;
- Questioning of umpires decisions;
- Ridicule, baiting or uttering obscenities; and/or
- Engaging in behaviour that is not respectful of others