

# Code of Conduct

## *Player Code of Conduct Pledge*

- Have fun!
- I will treat everyone, including coaches, parents, players and officials, with respect, regardless of race, creed, color, nationality or gender.
- Be honest, fair, and always show good sportsmanship to all coaches, players, officials, parents and fans by demonstrating good sportsmanship at every practice and game win or lose.
- I will show courtesy and respect to teammates, opponents and coaches.
- Learn the value of commitment to the team. I will attend every practice and game that I can and will notify my coach if I cannot.
- I will focus on improving myself to help the team.
- I will realize that athletic contests, including practice sessions are educational experiences and opportunities.
- I will learn and play by the rules of the game and bring questions or concerns to my coach.
- I will not engage in unsportsmanlike conduct, including but not limited to: "trash talking" my opponents, booing, taunting, refusing to shake hands, or using inappropriate language or gestures.
- I will not engage in rude or bullying behavior on or off the court.

## *Parent Code of Conduct Pledge*

- I will remember that the game is for the kids - not the adults.
- I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, and officials regardless of ability, race, sex, or creed at every practice, game, and tournament.
- As a parent/guardian, I will inform the coach of any physical, behavioral, disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.
- I will respect the rules of the game and the policies of the program.
- I will teach my child the rules of the game and how to resolve conflicts without hostility or violence.
- I will place team improvement and effort ahead of my personal desire to win.
- I expect a sports environment that is free from drugs, tobacco and alcohol and will refrain from their use at on-site practices and events.
- I will do my best to make sure that youth sports are a FUN and POSITIVE experience.
- I will treat other players, coaches, fans, volunteers and officials with respect.
- I will not berate the officials!
- I will not undermine the coaches' instructions or directions.
- I will not use profanity!
- I will communicate my concerns through the proper channels in a dignified manner.
  - Discuss with the coach, outside of practice or game time.
  - Contact your League or Traveling Coordinator, in writing.
  - Contact a member of the RCYBA Board of Directors, in writing.

## **PENALTY**

**Any violation of the Code of Conduct may result in a temporary or permanent banishment from any UFBA sponsored events.**

**Please BEHAVE or BE GONE!**