



## Code of Conduct - Player

The Bentleigh Lakers Basketball Club's Code of Conduct for players is aligned with Basketball Victoria's and McKinnon Basketball Association's player codes of conduct.

The Basketball Victoria code of conduct can be located at: [http://basketballvictoria.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/BVALL\\_Codes\\_of\\_Conduct.pdf](http://basketballvictoria.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/BVALL_Codes_of_Conduct.pdf)

McKinnon Basketball Associations' code of conduct can be located at: <https://www.mckinnonbasketball.org/policies>

This Code of Conduct is intended to:

1. give players a guide to the expectations of Bentleigh Lakers Basketball Club, McKinnon Basketball Association and Basketball Victoria for their behaviour and conduct; and
2. assist players to obtain the maximum benefit and enjoyment from their involvement in basketball.

Basketball is a recreational activity for enjoyment and health.

As a Bentleigh Lakers player you must be fully committed to abiding by this Code of Conduct. Your registration as a player is proof of your acceptance of this Code of Conduct. It is critical that each player understands this Code of Conduct and is familiar with the behavioural and attitudinal expectations of every Bentleigh Lakers player.

A breach of the Code of Conduct may result in disciplinary action by the Club's Committee and may result in team omission, suspension or deregistration.

### PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT & EXPECTATIONS

1. Respect Referees and Officials. Never argue with an official. If you disagree, have your coach or team manager approach the referee during a break or after the game in an appropriate & polite manner.
2. Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials, coaches, teammates, and administrators is not acceptable or permitted in basketball.
3. Work equally hard for yourself and for your team. Your team's performance will benefit and so will you.
4. Play by the rules and be a good sport.
5. Treat all players as you would like to be treated. Do not interfere with, bully, or take unfair advantage of another player.
6. Cooperate with your coach, teammates, and opponents. Without them there would be no competition.
7. Respect and listen to the advice of your coach and try to apply it to practice and in games.
8. Play for the "fun of it" and not just to please parents and coaches.

9. Be inclusive and respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person, regardless of their gender, race, ability, cultural background, conflict, religion, or other factor irrelevant to the game and avoid the use of derogatory language.
10. Always respect the use of facilities and equipment provided.
11. Everyone wins and losses at some time. Be a fair winner and a good loser.
12. Understand that playing basketball is a commitment; players are expected to attend all training sessions and games.
13. Remember you are representing your club and you must wear the Lakers uniform with pride . No jewellery at training or games.
14. Adhere to Bentleigh Laker's policies on the website.
15. Be a good sport and bring a good attitude to training and games.
16. Training is important for skill development and team building. Arrive ready to start training on time.
17. Arrive at games 10 minutes prior to the start time of games and ensure you're ready to play on time.
18. If you are unable to make it to training or a game you must let the coach and team manager know.
19. If you are injured, you may still come to trainings and games as you can still learn.
20. Listen to the coach and follow instructions. Do not interrupt. Ask any important and relevant questions when the coach has finished talking.
21. It is the coach's job to give instruction to players. You should only give respectful comments and encouragement to teammates. You are not permitted to follow coaching instructions or advice from parents or spectators.
22. The coach will sub you when the time is right. Do not ask to go on the court or tell the coach whose turn it is to sub.
23. If you have an issue with something on or off the court talk to your coach.
24. No mobile phones are to be used at trainings & games.

By registering to play with the Bentleigh Laker's Basketball Club you are agreeing to abide by the conditions outlined in this Code of Conduct.