

Amador County Youth Basketball Association Code of Conduct

Player Code of Conduct

1. Have Fun! Enjoy the game and make the most of every moment on the court.

2. Be a Good Sport – Show respect and positivity, regardless of the game's outcome.

3. **Give Your Best Effort** – Always work hard and show commitment in both games and practices.

4. **Respect Teammates** – Treat others as you'd like to be treated, with kindness and support.

5. Play by the Rules – Follow the rules of the game and respect fair play.

6. **Maintain Self-Control** – Avoid violence, bad language, or unsportsmanlike behavior, on and off the court.

7. **Respect Officials** – Cooperate with referees and their decisions.

8. **Listen to Your Coach** – Be attentive and strive to improve your skills at every opportunity.

9. **Prioritize Safety** – Avoid actions that could endanger others, like taking long shots when younger players are close to the hoop.

Spectator Code of Conduct

1. **Remember the Fun Factor** – Children play for enjoyment, not for spectator entertainment or professional goals.

2. **Applaud Good Effort** – Cheer for all players and show appreciation for hard work on both teams.

3. **Respect Referee Decisions** – Disagreements should be handled appropriately, not publicly.

4. **Avoid Negative Reactions** – Encourage children, even if they make mistakes; stay positive.

5. **Condemn Violence** – Oppose any form of violence by spectators, coaches, or players.

6. **Respect Opponents** – Show appreciation for the opposing team; they make the game possible.

7. **Promote Fair Play** – Encourage adherence to rules and respect for officials' decisions.

8. **Exhibit Positive Behavior** – Avoid foul language, harassment, and unsportsmanlike conduct.

9. **Avoid Derogatory Language** – Refrain from language based on gender, race, or impairment.

Parent Code of Conduct

1. **Encourage Participation** – Support children in playing if they're interested, but don't pressure them.

2. Focus on Playing, Not Just Winning – Emphasize effort and improvement over the outcome.

3. Celebrate Honest Effort – Teach that trying their best is as important as winning.

4. **Promote Fair Play** – Remind children to follow the rules and respect the game.

5. **Constructive Feedback** – Offer criticism in private and focus on growth.

6. **Value Children's Enjoyment** – Remember, they play for their own enjoyment, not yours.

7. Set an Example – Applaud good play on both teams and model positive behavior.

8. **Respect Referee Decisions** – Accept calls as fair and avoid public disagreements.

9. **Respect Opponents** – Avoid negative gestures or comments about opposing teams.

10. **Model Good Conduct** – Demonstrate respectful behavior, sportsmanship, and appropriate appearance.

11. **Support a Safe Environment** – Advocate for removing verbal and physical abuse from youth sports.

12. **Avoid Derogatory Language** – Refrain from negative language based on gender, race, or ability.

Thank you for helping us create a positive, supportive environment for everyone involved in Amador Youth Basketball!