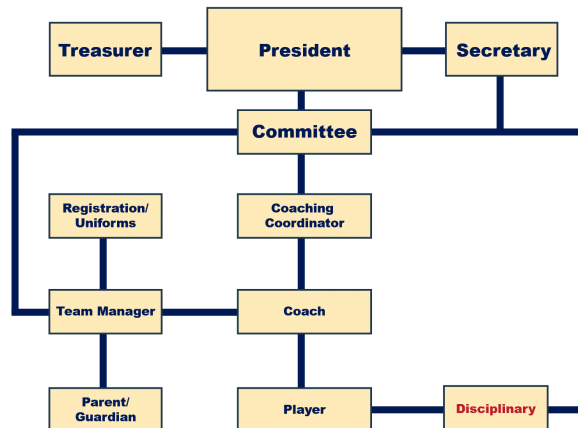


Welcome to
NORTHERN SAINTS BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION INC
Information and Guidelines 2017

STRUCTURE



OUR MISSION

To be committed to developing all players and coaches to the best of their abilities and to incorporate the NSBA values to ensure high levels of competition and commitment is achieved by all involved.

OUR VALUES

- **A fair go for all**
- **Honesty** – Being truthful and open so that others can trust you
- **Trust** – Being able to rely on others to do the right thing
- **Respect** – Treating one another with consideration and courtesy
- **Caring** – Taking an interest in all players and being considerate of feelings
- **Tolerance** – Being fair towards and accepting of decisions and opinions given
- **Learning** – To gain knowledge or skills through others
- **Personal Achievement** – To ensure individuals perform beyond their own or other's expectations

FEE STRUCTURE

<u>JOINING FEE:</u>	1 child \$50.00 (BAG, TRAINING TOP, DRINK BOTTLE & CONTRIBUTION TO TEAM FIRST AID KIT)	2 children \$75.00	3 or more children \$90.00
<u>SEASON FEE:</u>	1 Child \$45.00	2 children \$75.00	3 or more children \$100.00
	• REGISTRATION TO WHITTLESEA BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION and/or DIAMOND VALLEY BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION		
	• AFFILIATION TO BASKETBALL VICTORIA		
	• INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR COMPETITIONS AND TRAINING.		
<u>WEEKLY FEES:</u>	\$15.00 PER PLAYER PER WEEK	\$10.00 extra if player plays for two teams	
	• COVERS COST OF GAME SCORE SHEET AND TRAINING VENUE HIRE.		
	PLEASE NOTE: WHITTLESEA BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION VENUES CHARGE AN ADMITTANCE FEE. THIS FEE IS ADDITIONAL TO OUR CLUB WEEKLY FEE, AND IS APPLICABLE TO <u>ALL</u> PLAYERS, AND SPECTATORS 12YRS AND OVER.		
<u>UNIFORM COST:</u>	\$100.00 PER UNIFORM – Includes: REVERSIBLE PLAYING SINGLET AND SHORTS.		

PRICES MAY CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE – PLEASE CONFIRM WITH A MEMBER OF COMMITTEE.

TRAINING: Held on Thursday evenings at the following locations.

Mill Park Basketball Stadium – 4:10pm – 7:10pm

Stable Shopping Centre, Redleap Avenue, Mill Park

Plenty Parklands Primary School Gymnasium – 5:40pm – 9:00pm

Blossom Park Drive, Mill Park

GAME DAY:

Northern Saints Basketball Association participates in both the Whittlesea City Basketball Association, and Diamond Valley Basketball Association Competitions.

The Whittlesea competition is held on Saturdays at the Mill Park Basketball Stadium, Stables Shopping Centre, Mill Park and other associated venues. The games run from 8.15am through to 7.00pm. Younger age groups play earlier in the day.

The Diamond Valley competition is held on Saturdays at Diamond Valley Sports & Fitness Centre, Civic Drive Greensborough and other associated venues. The games run from 8.30am through to 6.00pm. Younger age groups may play earlier on the Saturday.

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BASKETBALL CODE OF CONDUCT

Perhaps the most important people when it comes to abiding by codes of conducts are the parents, coaches and supporters. They are the ones who set the example that the children will follow. They should support all efforts to remove verbal, racial and physical abuse and support the Northern Saints Basketball officials to foster high standards and behaviour for the club. Therefore the Northern Saints Basketball Association expects that parents, coaches and supporters will model good behaviour and abide by their code of conduct. These are summarised as follows:

PLAYERS:

I will be a good sport and acknowledge good play whether it's for my team or the other team.

I will play for the "Fun of it" and not just to please my parents or coaches.

I will work equally hard for the team as well as myself.

I will treat all team-mates and opponents as I would like to be treated.

I will play by the rules and accept decisions made by the coach and/or referee.

I will control my temper both on and off the court.

I will learn to value honest effort.

I will follow and display the core values of trust, a fair go for all, care, respect, learning, tolerance, honesty and personal achievement.

I will not use derogatory language based on gender, race or impairment.

I will cooperate with the coach, team-mates, referees and opponents. Without them there would be no competition.

I will never argue with an official. If I disagree I will have the coach or team manager approach the referee during a break or after the game in an appropriate manner.

I will always behave in a manner that reflects credit on me, my team and my Association and the sport of Basketball.

I will not take or use any illegal substances (drugs or alcohol).

COACHES:

Set a good example for your players (follow and display the core values of trust, a fair go for all, care, respect, learning, tolerance, honesty and personal achievement).

Encourage and create opportunities to develop individual skills.

Teach a wide range of team skills.

Teach that honest effort is the victory, not the winning.

Ensure that the strategies being taught are appropriate for the age group and are at the skill development of the players involved.

Teach them to play by the rules.

Teach your players to be friendly towards officials and opponents.

Give all interested players a chance to participate in training and in games.

Remove from the court of play any of your players whose behaviour is not acceptable.

Keep your own knowledge of coaching and the developments of the game up to date.

Smoking is prohibited by team officials during matches, pre-match preparation and post-match periods whilst in contact with team members.

Never ridicule mistakes or losses.

PARENTS:

Sport should be fun. Remember involvement of your child is for their enjoyment, not yours.

Always respect the use of facilities and equipment provided.

Set a good example by your own conduct, behaviour and appearance.

Provide support for your child by listening to them and trying to understand their feelings.

Encourage participation by your children, do not force them.

Evaluate your child's success or failure based on their happiness not their performance.

Focus on developing skills and playing the game. Reduce the emphasis on winning.

You are a role model for your child – lead by example.

Encourage honest effort, skilled performance and team loyalty.

Make any new parents feel welcome on all occasions.

Refrain from coaching during the game.

Approach the team manager if you have a concern as soon as it arises.

Never ridicule mistakes or losses. A child learns best by example.

Encourage children to always play by the rules.

Show appreciation and be courteous in your communication with players and administrators, officials and coaches.

Never publicly disagree with officials. Raise issues privately with the appointed team manager of your child's team.

Help your child detach self - esteem from results

Your child needs to be self- motivated not parent- motivated.

Do not criticize your, or others children in front of others.

Accept all decisions by referees as being fair and called to the best of their ability.

Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person.

Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from training and games.

Keep child(ren) in your care under control.

GOOD SIDELINE BEHAVIOUR

Demonstrate appropriate social behavior (don't ridicule mistakes or losses).
Remember children play for enjoyment.
Don't let your behavior detract from children's enjoyment.
Let game officials conduct the events without interference.
Support skilled performances and team play on both teams with generous applause.
Demonstrate respect for opposing players and their supporters.
Let the coach do his/her job. Like children they are doing their best.
Show self-control. Remember you're watching children participate in sport- it is not the Olympic Games.
Cheer the entire team and encourage all players on both sides.
Congratulate the opposing players at the end of the game.
Clap and enthusiastically for good performance of skills (not just scoring)
Act as a role model for young people and thank the coaches and officials at the end of the game.
Understand the referees are doing the best they can.
Cheer and call out encouragement, keep your voice positive.

TEAM SELECTION AND ADMINISTRATION POLICY

The policy of the Northern Saints Basketball Association (hereinafter is referred to as the "Association" or "NSBA") is:

- (1) Players will register and play in teams according to their age group. Under special circumstances at the Committee's discretion, players may play in an older age group. Written permission from a parent or guardian is required in both circumstances. Written confirmation approving playing out of age for the current season is to be provided by the Association. From time to time a child may be required to play in another age group to ensure that a walkover is avoided. In this case parental permission is obtained and commencement of the game. The basketball team manager is advised, where practical, prior to the commencement of the game.
- (2) Players who attend training during the week prior to a game and are in attendance within the time nominated by the Coach on match day will be first selected.
There will be exceptions to this in the following cases:
 - (a) if due to illness and coach is advised accordingly;
 - (b) if a player is unable to train or be on time on match day and the coach is advised;
- (3) Where players adhere to (2) above it is the intention of the Association for each player to receive an allocated amount of game time each week as deemed by the coach.
- (4)
 - (a) The Team Manager/and or Coach will advise all players in attendance at training prior to the game that week, as to the venue, starting time, etc.
 - (b) Teams shall consist of a maximum of 8 players. In some cases this may be extended to 10 players and this will be at the discretion of the coaching coordinator and in conjunction with the appropriate coach/coaches.
- (5)
 - (a) The Team Manager and /or coaches must keep records of training attendance and game participation.
 - (b) The Team Manager will be responsible for organising parents on a rotational basis for the score bench each week.
- (6) If players do not train in a satisfactory manner, or disobey instructions at training constantly, they will not be selected for match day. Undisciplined actions at matches will be dealt with by the Coach or if further action is warranted, by the coaching coordinator and them if deemed necessary by the Committee. Team manager will notify parent, legal guardian or adult player of actions taken.
- (7) Under 8 - Under 12: The Association will endeavour, where appropriate, to field competitive teams where two or more teams are entered in the same age group. The Committee is empowered to alter the composition of the teams when it considers it appropriate, prior to the season commencing.
- (8) Under 14 and above: If the Association fields two teams, in the same age group in either domestic or representative basketball, the policy is where numbers permit, players must play in their appropriate team according to age and skill level. Where this is not possible, team selection will be reviewed by the Coaching Coordinator in conjunction with the appropriate coaches.
- (9) All Teams: Where a team reaches a final series all players are eligible to participate in the series, if they played the required amount of games (7) during the season. No minimum court time is assured. Each coach may determine minimum court time for each team in the finals as it is deemed necessary.

ELIGIBILITY

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To be eligible to compete a player must be:

- (a) A registered player with the Northern Saints Basketball Association
- (b) Of correct Age in the year of competition.
- (c) Must attend training (any absences must be explained, communicated to and approved by the coach in order to play in the upcoming week).

In addition the following matters will be taken into account :

- (i) Player and/or Parent/Guardian's past and current degree of acceptance and adherence to the Basketball Codes of Conduct.
- (ii) A Player's history of commitment to the Northern Saints Basketball Association in past seasons, where that player had commenced with NSBA, and then broken that commitment.
- (iii) A Player's financial standing where that Player has outstanding debts from past seasons.

INDEMNITY STATEMENT

In consideration of your acceptance of my child in the above team I agree to indemnify committee members of the Saints Basketball Association from and against any claim for damages which may arise from their participation in any activity or function connected with the team preparation, training or game schedule.

I further authorise committee of the Northern Saints Basketball Association or delegated official that, in the event of any accident or illness and after exhausting all reasonable attempts to contact a parent/guardian, to obtain all necessary medical assistance and hospital accommodation as is appropriate. In the event that my child requires operative treatment, I authorise you to sign any release forms on their behalf acting on proper medical advice.

I hereby agree to indemnify you against all such Doctors fees, Ambulance fees, Hospital accommodation and any other associated expenses which may arise from the provision of medical treatment and I further agree to indemnify you against any claims which may be brought as a result of the provision of that treatment.

DISCIPLINARY ACTION

I warrant that my child will behave in a reasonable and appropriate manner whilst under the care and control of the Northern Saints Basketball Association and I acknowledge that in the event that my child does not behave in such a manner then the child may at your absolute discretion be withdrawn from the team.

I further acknowledge and accept that Whittlesea Basketball Association/Northern Saints Basketball Association may at its absolute discretion thereafter ban or suspend the child from further competitions for such a period of time as it in its absolute discretion may deem appropriate.

I agree to accept the decision of the said Northern Saints Basketball Association as final

NORTHERN SAINTS PLAYERS CODE OF CONDUCT

Basketball is intended to be a recreational activity for enjoyment and health. This code of conduct has been developed by Basketball Victoria to give participants some guide to the expectations it has on those participants. It is intended to assist everyone to obtain the maximum benefit and enjoyment from their involvement in basketball. As a result, the quality of participation will be improved so people are more likely to start and continue their involvement in basketball. Enjoy!!

In accepting a position in the Northern Saints Basketball Association, I agree to make this sporting commitment my priority for each full season that I play with the Northern Saints.

- I will be a good sport and acknowledge good play whether it's for my team or the other team.
- I will play for the "Fun of it" and not just to please my parents or coaches.
- I will work equally hard for the team as well as myself.
- I will treat all team-mates and opponents as I would like to be treated.
- I will play by the rules and accept decisions made by the coach and/or referee.
- I will control my temper both on and off the court.
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- I will not use derogatory language based on gender, race or impairment.
- I will cooperate with the coach, team-mates, referees and opponents. Without them there would be no competition.
- I will never argue with an official. If I disagree I will have the coach or manager approach the referee during a break or after the game in an appropriate manner.
- I will always behave in a manner that reflects credit on myself, my team and my Association and the sport of Basketball.
- I will not take or use any illegal substances (drugs or alcohol).

ACCEPTANCE

Part 1 (Legal Guardian)

I have read 'Basketball Codes of Conduct for Coaches, Players and Parents' and accept the general rules & regulations of the Northern Saints Basketball Association as laid out in the Parents Manual. I understand the time and costs associated with playing basketball.

I also agree and accept the disciplinary statement and indemnity statement as laid out in the Parents Manual. My child understands and agrees to meet the above listed rules and regulations.

Part 2 (Player)

I wish to take up a position in the Northern Saints Basketball Association; I understand the commitment I am making to my team and the Association.

This sporting commitment will be my priority for a full season.

I have read 'Basketball Codes of Conduct for Coaches, Players and Parents' and accept the general rules & regulations of the Northern Saints Basketball Association as laid out in the Parents Manual. I also agree and accept the disciplinary statement and indemnity statement as laid out in the Parents Manual.

PLEASE MAKE SURE TO SIGN THE REGISTRATION FORM AFTER READING THE PARENTS AND PLAYERS MANUAL