

PARENTS, CARERS, COMMENTATORS AND SPECTATORS CODE OF CONDUCT

INTRODUCTION

British Wheelchair Basketball is committed to enabling a safe, inclusive and welcoming environment across our sport with the ambition of making Wheelchair Basketball an Everyday Sport.

All those involved in the planning, development, management and delivery of wheelchair basketball have the duty to ensure that all participants are:

- Actively encouraged and given opportunities to participate in Wheelchair Basketball at an appropriate level for the age and ability of the individual.
- Not subjected to abuse and/or poor practice from any source
- Not subjected to bullying or undue pressure
- Supported to play an active role in the community, both in and out of the sporting environment

DEFINITIONS

This Code of Conduct covers Parents, Carers and Spectators.

Principle	Actions
Relationships	Parents, Carers, Commentators and Spectators should: • Report any concerns to the Club Welfare Officer, the BWB Safeguarding Lead or Designated Safeguarding Officer • Not engage in behaviour that constitutes any form of abuse or harassment (physical, sexual, emotional, neglect, bullying etc.) • Develop appropriate relationships, based on mutual trust and respect • Consider own and fellow participants health & safety prior to attending and during wheelchair basketball activity

Responsibilities – Personal Standards	Parents, Carers, Commentators and Spectators should: • Create an environment free of fear and harassment • Promote the reputation of the sport and take all possible steps to prevent it from being in disrepute • Never use inappropriate language or gestures • Discourage unfair play • Set a good example by recognising fair play and applauding the good Performance of all • Never argue with officials • Never punish or belittle any participant for losing or making mistakes • Publicly accept officials' judgements • Challenge poor practice and improper conduct through the appropriate channels • Not engage in violent or threatening behaviour • Refrain from posting negative or derogatory comments on social media about other participants Parents and Carers should • Where required, encourage your child to abide by and promote anti-doping rules: (a) agree to be bound by the NGBs anti-doping rules, and
	(b) cooperate with Code-compliant anti-doping investigations. • Encourage your child to learn the rules • Encourage your child to respect their teammates, the opposition and officials • Help your child to recognise good performance, not just results • Never force your child to take part in sport • Support your child's involvement and help them to enjoy wheelchair basketball • Encourage children to accept responsibility for their own performance and behaviour
Responsibilities – Professional Standards	Parents, Commentators and Carers and Spectators should: • Read and implement good practice as laid out in the BWB Safeguarding Policy, Procedures and Guidance • Abide by BWB Policies, Procedures, Guidance and Competition Rules • Never intentionally deceive BWB eg <i>falsifying personal data, deliberately</i> using a photograph of another person, deliberately using another name other than that which is listed on official documentation such as a passport or birth certificate • Never mislead or misrepresent themselves, their club/organisation or the sport in any communication, action or expression of opportunity, that might be construed as an act of intentional misrepresentation (including but extending beyond Classification Eligibility).

Spectator and Commentator behaviour will ultimately be the responsibility of the team they are affiliated with.