



Code of Conduct

The philosophy of the Rochester Community Youth Basketball Association is that playing the game of basketball should be a fun and rewarding experience for all concerned – players, coaches, spectators, workers and officials. We strive to maintain this environment throughout the duration of our tournament.

We expect all participants, whether players, coaches or fans to act with courtesy and respect to all tournament participants, officials and volunteers. In the event that a player, a coach or a spectator exhibits behavior that is deemed to be inappropriate, the procedures outlined here will be implemented.

Once the game begins, control of the game is the responsibility of the officials assigned to that game. The game officials will be the judges of what is “appropriate conduct”. Berating other players, teams, coaches, workers or officials will not be tolerated.

The head coach of each team is responsible insofar as he or she can reasonably be expected to control the spectators of their team. The officials may assess technical fouls on either team if fans act in such a way as to interfere with the proper conduct of the game.

If the officials feel that either a player or a fan is acting inappropriately, the official will approach the appropriate bench and inform the coach regarding these fan(s). It will be the responsibility of the coach to talk to that individual in order for that person to control their behavior. Should the inappropriate behavior continue, a bench technical foul will be issued. If the offending person is an adult, they will be ejected from the gym for the duration of that game. If the offending person is a player, they will then be ejected from the game, but must remain on the bench. The game will be delayed until that person has complied. If that individual refuses to comply, the officials have the authority to declare the game a forfeit.

Technical fouls can and will be assessed without warning according to MSHSL rules. A second technical foul on a coach in the same game results in the **ejection** of the coach for the remainder of the game as well as the next game.

Ejection Policy: Any coach or spectator who has been ejected from a game is declared to be ineligible for the remainder of the contest and must leave visual confines of the gymnasium. Any player, coach or spectator ejected for **Flagrant Unsportsmanlike Conduct** will be ejected for the remainder of the tournament and reported to the team’s association. Examples of “Flagrant Unsportsmanlike Conduct” include but not limited to fighting, repeated verbal abuse, intentional actions that inflict or are intended to inflict bodily harm, cheating (such as using an ineligible player), repeated use of profane language, etc. ;” The Tournament Director reserves the right to expel a team for the remainder of the tournament.