

NBIAA

Northern Burlington Instructional Athletic Association
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Conduct Expectations for Coaches, Officials and Spectators for the Northern Burlington Instructional Basketball League/Tournament

NOTE: Violations of these expectations could lead to removal from the gym for the remainder of the season and the tournament. This has been agreed upon by unanimous vote of the NB League Basketball Committee.

Spectators

- Approach the game with a positive attitude. These are our kids—WE are ALL NORTHERN BURLINGTON. No one is out to “undermine them or their team.” This is not a professional sporting event. Root for your team and avoid rooting against the opposing team.
- Support your sons, daughters, or your other significant players/teams. Cheer for them as loud as you like. Avoid cheering during opposing team foul shots.
- Examples of behavior that is inappropriate, will not be tolerated and will lead to removal from the gym:
 - Foul or offensive language of any kind.
 - Booing of an opposing player or team. Cheering when an opposing player fails. Booing an official’s call. “Going after,” or yelling at the officials before, during or after the game.
 - Yelling or screaming at opposing coaches or league officials before, during or after the game. Any other behavior that is deemed to be offensive or disruptive.

Coaches

- Prior to the game, meet with the league rep(s), opposing coaches and both officials to review the division-specific rules of the game.
- Approach the games positively and professionally.
- Focus on instructing your players, coaching your team, player rotations and clock management. Avoid focusing on the officiating. Focus on coaching.
- Remind your players not to worry about the officiating. They must play the game, you as coaches instruct, and officials administer the rules of the game.
- If you disagree with the call of an official, take an opportunity at a stopped clock or during a timeout to calmly and discreetly ask the official about the call.
- Do not yell across the court at the officials. This will not lead to a changed call and could escalate a situation. Do not use abusive or offensive language at any time.
- The league representatives will be responsible for ensuring that both teams are complying with the administrative rules of the league (playing time, score, player fouls, team fouls).

Officials

- Arrive on time, prepared to officiate with a positive, professional attitude.
- Meet with the league rep(s) and coaches immediately before the game to review the division-specific rules.
- During the game—hustle, be in proper position; call advantage-disadvantage fouls and violations; answer appropriate questions from head coaches professionally.
- Consult the coaches and league rep(s) with league rule interpretation questions.

ENJOY the GAMES and YOUR TIME watching your kids grow, compete and learn.