

# **Casey Vales Basketball Club**

## **Registration Number: A0112778S**

### **Membership Rules**

#### **Purpose**

1. The purpose of these Membership Rules is to:
  - 1.1. Ensure an inclusive sporting environment for players of all ages and skill levels
  - 1.2. Provide a safe and respectful environment for our members
  - 1.3. Support the Clubs values of Fun, Good Sports and Respect

#### **Definition**

2. For the purposes of these Rules, a “Member” shall be defined as:
  - 2.1 A player;
  - 2.2 The parent/s or legal guardian/s of a player;
  - 2.3 Any team official who is not otherwise a parent of a player;
  - 2.4 An elected member;
  - 2.4 A Life Member

#### **Who these rules apply to:**

3. These rules apply to all members of the Club, as defined in rule 2 and to any guest/s of a member attending games or training sessions

#### **Registration and Fees**

4. All players are required to complete the Club’s registration process prior to the commencement of each season by the due date nominated by the Club. Failure to register by the due date may result in a placement in a team being forfeited at the discretion of the club and its officials.
5. All players are required to the Membership Fees each season, by the due date.
  - 5.1. Membership Fees are due prior to the commencement of the new season, or as notified by the Club
  - 5.2. A player who fails to pay the required Membership Fees by the due date will be suspended from participating with their team, including training sessions, until payment has been made
  - 5.3. A player whose registration remains outstanding for two (2) months beyond the due date will be deemed to have resigned from their membership with the Club
  - 5.4. A player who has outstanding Membership Fees will not be granted a clearance to another club
6. Teams are responsible for the payment of any forfeited games fines. The Club does not accept liability for penalties incurred due to forfeited games.

## Member Conduct

7. All members must uphold the Club's values of Fun, Good Sports and Respect
  - 7.1. Do not abuse players, coaches, referees or other parents from the sidelines
  - 7.2. Give positive support and encouragement to the players, coaches and referees.
  - 7.3. Do not abuse or criticise children during or after a game
  - 7.4. Under no circumstances should adult members approach any child in a threatening or aggressive manner regardless of any offence committed by the child during the game
8. All members and their guest are subject to the conditions of the Basketball Victoria Codes of Conduct for Players, Coaches, Parents & Spectators and the Membership By-laws of the Casey Vales Basketball Club at all times. The Basketball Victoria Codes of Conduct and Casey Vales Basketball Club Rules and By-laws, which can be updated from time to time, can be found on the Clubs website:  
[www.caseyvalesbasketballclub.com.au](http://www.caseyvalesbasketballclub.com.au)
  - 8.1. Breaches of the Code of Conduct or the Club's Rules by any player, coach or parent/spectator may result in a report and Tribunal hearing, and/or disciplinary action taken by the Club in accordance with the Club's Constitution
  - 8.2. All members are responsible for ensuring the behaviour and conduct of their guests does not breach the Club's rules of the Codes of Conduct. Failure to do so may result in the member facing disciplinary procedures in accordance with the Club's Constitution
9. Respect our volunteer coaches
  - 9.1. DO NOT coach children from the sidelines, including your own child
  - 9.2. Attend all training sessions
  - 9.3. Advise the Coach or Team Manager if unable to attend games or training sessions
  - 9.4. Do not sit on the players' bench or otherwise interfere with the progress of the game
10. Respect the referees, Abuse of referees sets a bad example for our children and may result in a report and Tribunal hearing
11. Respect your teammates
12. Respect the opposition players and parents. Do not engage in any altercation with any member of the opposition, call for assistance from the Stadium Supervisor, Referee Supervisor or Referee if there is any dispute
13. Play by the rules
14. All members will act with integrity and will not behave in any way that will bring the Club into disrepute

## Training

15. Respect our training venues and equipment. Wilful damage will result in disciplinary action
16. Attend all training sessions. If you are unable to attend training, give your coach and team manager the courtesy of letting them know
17. Parents who leave their children at training must return to the training venue prior to the end of the session to collect your child

## Communication

18. From time to time, the Club will communicate with members via email and other electronic means. Members must notify the Club with a valid email address for communication and notify of any change of email address within 7 days. Please advise via email to [enquiries@caseyvalesbasketballclub.com.au](mailto:enquiries@caseyvalesbasketballclub.com.au)
19. All communication between the Club and its members, between team representatives and members and member to member, in whatever form including social media, must be Club-related, appropriate, and not offend, intimidate, humiliate or bully another person or bring the Club into disrepute

## Complaints

20. Concerns or complaints regarding team or player issues should, if possible, first be addressed to the coach and/or team manager
21. If the matter cannot be resolved within the team or you do not feel comfortable raising the matter with a team representative, refer the matter to the Vice President who will act with our Complaints Management Process (see Club by-laws). The Vice President can be contact via email: [caseyvales.vicepresident@gmail.com](mailto:caseyvales.vicepresident@gmail.com)
22. Serious complaints including allegations of child abuse, sexual abuse or harassment, racial vilification and other unlawful behaviour will be referred to the Casey Basketball Association Child Safety Officer and/or Basketball Victoria's Member Protection Information Officer. All allegations of child sexual abuse will be reported to the Police

## Coach and Team Manager Rules

23. As a team official of a Casey Vales Basketball Club team, you are a representative of the Club and must act in accordance with our rules and our values
24. The acceptance of a volunteer to a role of coach or team manger is always at the discretion of the club
25. In addition to the Membership Rules, it is expected that you will:
  - 25.1. Uphold the club's values of Fun, Good Sports and Respect at all times
  - 25.2. Act with integrity and do not behave in any way that will bring the Club or your own reputation into disrepute
  - 25.3. Respond promptly to enquiries or requests made the Club President or Vice-President
  - 25.4. Enforce the Club's fee payment policy and do not allow any player who has outstanding fees to participate with the team
  - 25.5. Have a valid Working With Children card
  - 25.6. Accept new members placed in your team
  - 25.7. Keep in mind that your priority is for your players to have fun
  - 25.8. Instil the values of teamwork and good sportsmanship in your players
  - 25.9. Not yell at your players or belittle them in any way. Remember that they are children learning to play
  - 25.10. Remember that basketball is a team sport. Give all players a fair and reasonable amount of court time, encourage players to share the ball and play as a team.
  - 25.11. Value each player equally. Domestic basketball is about participation and each team member has something to contribute

- 25.12. Respect the referees. Abuse of referees sets a bad example for our children and may result in a report and Tribunal hearing
- 25.13. Respect the opposition players and coaches
- 25.14. Not attempt to stack your team with representative level players
- 25.15. Not “poach” players from other clubs or from other Casey Vales Basketball Club teams
- 25.16. Keep in mind the age and stage of the children you are coaching and adapt your communication and coaching style to suit
- 25.17. Vacate the training court promptly at the end of your session as other teams or clubs also use the court. Do not overstay your allotted time.

