

**TOWN OF HAMPDEN
PARKS & RECREATION**

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The Hampden Parks and Recreation Commission believes that the conduct of our coaches sets the tone for the team, its' players, parents, and fans. Coaches are expected to act in a professional and sportsmen-like manner. All coaches must understand that they are the role models for their teams, and act accordingly.

- 1.) All coaches must be Concussion certified. Additionally, all coaches must submit to a **CORI** check and meet the specific leagues requirements.
- 2.) Coaches must respect, and abide by, the decisions of officials, referees, etc.
- 3.) Model positive behavior by treating players, officials, fans and opposing teams with respect, regardless of the outcome of the game.
- 4.) Foster a spirit of cooperation and teamwork among players. Promote the idea that success is a shared effort.
- 5.) Maintain open lines of communication with players and their parents. Provide constructive feedback and support for player development.
- 6.) Treat all players, regardless of their skill level, background, or personal circumstances, with respect and fairness. Promote inclusivity within the team.
- 7.) Emphasize skill development and personal growth over winning. Set realistic goals for players and celebrate their progress.
- 8.) Adhere to all rules and guidelines set forth by the league, including those related to player eligibility, conduct, and game operations.
- 9.) Instill a passion for basketball in players by making the experience enjoyable and encouraging a love for the game
- 10.) Commit to Continuous Improvement by staying informed about coaching techniques and youth development by pursuing professional development opportunities and seeking feedback on your coaching practices.
- 11.) Coaches **MUST** return all uniforms and equipment within two weeks of their season ending to the Parks and Recreation Office.

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Date: _____