

## EAGLES JUNIOR REPRESENTATIVE VJBL PLAYER & FAMILY GUIDELINES

### PLAYING REPRESENTATIVE LEVEL BASKETBALL

The Diamond Valley Basketball provide an opportunity for aspirational players who wish to enhance their skills by competing in higher levels of basketball competition. This is called Representative Basketball or Rep. The Victorian Junior Basketball League(VJBL) is run by our governing body, Basketball Victoria.

Diamond Valley Basketball seek to introduce players to elite level basketball. Our appointed coaches are committed to the task of holistic player development. Development occurs through a combination of team and individual training, playing time and personal maturation. Playing time is not guaranteed, nor should an equal share be anticipated but rather measured over a complete season.

### TEAM/PLAYER/SPECTATOR CONDUCT

#### TEAM AND PARENT CONDUCT

If you have a query or concern regarding the conduct of your team or someone in the team, please adhere to the following protocol.

Firstly, please respect that everyone in the Diamond Valley Basketball program is doing their best to contribute to a successful program. Please approach the relevant contact person with respect, always seeking a constructive discussion.

1. If the query is of an administrative nature, your Team Manager will try to provide you the answer.
2. If the query relates to team selection, game management, bench time etc.
  - a. Please ask your Team Manager to schedule a meeting with your Team Coach. **This contact must NOT be commenced for a period of 24 hours** from the completion of a game or training.
  - b. If, after implementing the suggestions of the Team Coach for a period of at least 14 days, you are not satisfied with the outcome of the meeting you can request that the Team Manager arrange a meeting with the Junior Rep Director of coaching – Matt Shanahan.

At all times, we encourage that you present your query, listen and then support the meeting outcomes moving forward.

In a small number of cases each year the process above is not followed. Moving forward, the decision has been made to strictly enforce these steps. If a player or parent/family member does not respect this process or makes contact within 24 hours of the completion of a game or training, a first warning will be issued. If the behavior continues, sanctions, such as game suspension will follow.

When permitted, we encourage all parents/family members to attend games and training sessions to share the enjoyment of the game and to gain greater understanding of the team and program objectives.

## **TECHNICAL FOULS**

Behavioral Tech Foul Penalties Coaches, Assistant Coaches & Players – VJBL Policy

Coaches, assistant coaches and players who receive two or more behavioural technical fouls during the VJBL playing calendar year will have the following penalty applied.

- Two Tech Fouls: Automatic 1 Game Suspension
- Three Tech Fouls: Automatic 2 Game Suspension
- Four Tech Fouls: Automatic 4 Game Suspension
- Five Tech Fouls: Automatic 6 Game Suspension

\*Please note that if a player or coach is ejected in a game, and both technical fouls are due to referee abuse, the VJBL Administration may invoke an additional one game suspension.

## **VJBL SPECTATOR REQUIREMENTS**

- At no point before, during or after a game are spectators permitted to approach a referee, coaching staff or team manager
- All spectators must abide by the BV Spectator Code of Conduct.
- If asked to leave the venue by a venue official, spectator/s must do so immediately, or reports and loss of games may be applied.

## **VJBL SPECTATOR PENALTIES**

### **Reportable Offences**

- Basketball Victoria's Governance & Operation Manager or VJBL Operations Manager will ask the Referee and/or Venue Official to complete a formal report.
- Once the report is received, an offer may be made by the Basketball Victoria Governance & Operations Manager, or the report will be sent directly to the tribunal.
- Alternatively, the Basketball Victoria's Governance & Operation Manager may direct the VJBL Administration to apply appropriate penalties as stated below.

### **Non-Reportable Offences**

- The VJBL Administration will issue a warning for the first offence.
- The VJBL Administration will apply an automatic suspension of one VJBL game for the second offence.
- The VJBL Administration will apply an automatic suspension of three VJBL games for the third offence.
- The VJBL Administration may ban the spectator from attending VJBL games for 12 months for any further offences. Once a spectator has served their penalty, they will be required to serve a 12-month good behavior bond before resetting penalties to zero.

### **Team Penalties**

It is the team's responsibility to ensure that all spectators abide by the Basketball Victoria Codes of Conduct and By-Laws. Penalties will be applied to the team involved with unacceptable spectator behavior.

- First Offence – The team will receive a warning.
- Second Offence – The team may lose home games.
- Third Offence – The team may have home games moved to a venue designated by the MUVJBL Administration.

- Fourth and Further Offences – The team may be removed from the competition.

More than one spectator may commit these Offences to count against the team.

Unsportsmanlike behavior will not be accepted from players or from parents/spectators. Diamond Valley Eagles will always uphold the Basketball Victoria Codes of Conduct.

Please report any breaches directly to the Representative Program Administrator- matt@dvbasketball.com.au. We suggest everybody familiarise themselves with the BV codes of conduct.

Please read the Basketball Victoria ‘**Players’ Code of Conduct**’ and the ‘**Parents’ Code of Conduct**’, this can be found at the following link: <https://www.basketballvictoria.com.au/cdn/byuip6j02lsg4ok>

## PLAYER WELFARE

Diamond Valley Basketball Association are committed to supporting the physical and mental wellbeing of each player. Diamond Valley Basketball consider the term ‘injury’ to include all physical injuries as well as mental health issues. As such the term ‘injury’ includes physical injuries which can range from soft tissue strains and tears, joint pain and damage through to serious injuries such as concussions. Injury also includes mental health issues such as anxiety, stress, depression and serious disorders.

At all times, the DVBA, the player and parents/family members must deal with injuries in the following manner:

- If a player suffers an injury, it must be immediately reported to the team head coach.
- The player must immediately cease any activities (incl. training and playing) that are, or may be, contributing to the injury. The player must seek professional assistance from a relevant health professional (e.g., physiotherapist, doctor, psychologist etc.).
- The player will be released from participating in training and games during their treatment.
- If the injury is not exacerbated by attending training and games the player is encouraged to attend and support his or her team (whilst not physically participating).
- When a health professional considers the injury to be dealt with in such a way that the player can resume training and playing, a medical certificate will be required to be delivered Diamond Valley Eagles.
- The Diamond Valley Eagles consider it best practice that a player resumes his or her role in the team by training for 2 weeks prior to commencing game play. This period can be extended should the coach, player or parents/family members consider it an advantage to have a longer period of training prior to games recommencing.

In the instance of a serious head knock during a game or training the player must cease training or playing immediately and not re-commence. The player must not train or play again until a medical practitioner clears him or her of concussion. The Basketball Australia guidelines must be always followed for head injuries and are set out as follows; <https://australia.basketball/wp-content/uploads/2014/05/Concussion-Guideline.pdf>

### KEY CONTACTS

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