

## **HILLS BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION INC.** **ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY**

To maintain a safe, enjoyable environment for all participants, Hills Basketball Association have in place a Zero Tolerance Policy for players, officials, parents and spectators.

1. There will be a zero tolerance policy towards any inappropriate or abusive behaviour from players, officials, parents or spectators towards any other participant.
2. Any player, official, parent or spectator who:
  - Persistently, wilfully and/or aggressively questions or challenges the rulings of the referees
  - Berates or abuses referees, players, officials, parents or spectators
  - Perpetrates violence against players, officials, parents or spectators
  - Displays conduct deemed inappropriate in a sporting environment

will be asked to leave the venue immediately. Failure to do so will result in further action.

This policy does not intend to stifle or diminish healthy supportive cheering or the ability of players or spectators to enjoy basketball. Rather it seeks to ensure a safe, competitive environment for all participants including officials and other spectators.

If you would like to offer feedback or request clarification on this issue please speak with the Court Supervisor at an appropriate time or contact the General Manager on the next business day.

This policy supplements the Hills Basketball Association Codes of Conduct Policy.

Please note, Hills Basketball Association reserves the right to deal with anyone violating the Zero Tolerance Policy in line with Section 11 of the Hills Basketball Association Competition By-Laws. Any action taken by the Association is entirely separate to any action that may be necessitated by law under the NSW Child Protection Legislation.

