



ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY:

Policy Overview:

To ensure a safe and enjoyable playing environment for all Sutherland District Basketball Association players, officials, and participants. The Sutherland District Basketball Association employs a Zero Tolerance Policy for inappropriate behaviour at any SDBA, BNSW or BA sanctioned events.

SDBA and BNSW recommend and adopts the guidelines initiated from the 'Play by the Rules', the NSW Office of the Children's Guardian, and the NSW Office of Sport & Recreation regarding safe sporting environments and sports rage. Sport rage is any violence, foul language, harassment, abuse, or bad behaviour in sport. Any form of sport rage is bad for sport - reducing enjoyment, risking safety, and tarnishing club reputations.

Please see the websites below for further information:

- <http://www.playbytherules.net.au/>
- <https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/>
- <https://sportandrecreation.nsw.gov.au/clubs/ryc/fairplay/sportrage>

1. There will be a zero-tolerance policy towards any inappropriate or abusive behaviour from players, officials, parents or spectators.

2. Any participant or spectator who feels the necessity to:

- Persistently, wilfully and/or aggressively question or challenge the rulings of referees, club or BNSW officials.
- Persistently, wilfully and/or aggressively question or challenge the rulings of SDBA staff
- Berate or abuse Sutherland Basketball staff
- Berate or abuse referees
- Berate or abuse players
- Berate or abuse other parents or spectators
- Perpetrates violence against players, officials, parents, or spectators
- Displays conduct deemed inappropriate in a sporting environment
- Breach any applicable NSW or Commonwealth laws
- Breach any existing BA, BNSW or SDBA codes of conduct, policies or guidelines will be asked to leave the venue immediately and further disciplinary or tribunal action may be taken against an individual/s.

Failure to leave the venue will result in further action being taken. Failure to leave when requested will result in an SDBA representative taking appropriate action to safeguard the safety and wellbeing



of players, spectators, and parents within its venue. No warnings need to be given in the event of the above action becoming necessary.

Any participant who has been requested to leave an event may also be suspended, required to attend a disciplinary hearing, and/or refused entry for future events at the Sutherland District Basketball Association.

3. Refusal of Entry

Sutherland District Basketball Association inc reserves the right to refuse entry to any event for any person(s) in breach of the SDBA Zero Tolerance Policy. Please note that any action taken under this policy and procedure is entirely separate to any action that may be necessitated by law under the NSW Child Protection Legislation, or any other action in accordance with the BNSW Disciplinary Tribunal or Member Protection By Laws.