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Any references made in these By-Laws or references to corresponding FIBA Regulations that are made in the male gender, are done for the sake of expediency and consistency and is not intended for, nor permits, such references to be invalid for the female gender.

All FIBA Regulations and By-Laws adopted by Basketball Australia and/or Basketball SA and/or SA Country Basketball shall apply in their entirety except where an inconsistency is described, suggested or implied by these By-Laws including other written documents from the Eastern Hills Basketball Association, in which case the latter shall prevail.

These By-Laws have been approved by the Eastern Hills Basketball Association Management Committee on 6th March 2023 and take effect from the 1st May 2023 until updated or repealed in whole or in part.
These By-Laws supersede all other Bylaw documents that precede this date.

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ADMINISTRATION

Article 1 General

(a) Throughout these By-Laws the term Management shall refer to the Eastern Hills Basketball Association Committee, its members or delegates, representatives, or any other person that is appropriately provided with the authority to act on the behalf of the Eastern Hills Basketball Association or its Committee, including any sub-committee that may be established from time to time.

(b) Any matters not covered by the Constitution, Rules or By-Laws shall be dealt with and administered by Management on an ongoing basis or may be dealt with by the Referee on an immediate once-off basis if required.

(c) Authority for any matters included in these By-Laws rests with the Referee or Court Supervisor.

(d) Any appeal against the decisions of Management must first be made directly to Management and then if not satisfied with the outcome, the aggrieved club, body or person, may lodge their appeal to the SA Country Basketball Council or any subsequent ruling body.

Article 2 Life Membership

(a) There should be a minimum of ten (10) years' service in the Association: 'club' involvement does not apply in this instance. Qualifying activities may include Office Bearer, Committee Member, Honorary Position, Coach or Manager of Association Team(s) or Referee.

(b) The award of Life Membership will be in recognition of exceptional and outstanding voluntary service to basketball at an Association Level.

(c) Nominations of candidates are able to be accepted from member clubs, Life Members or any member of Management.

(d) All Nominations shall be considered by the Management Committee.

(e) The Committee shall vote upon nominations and where approved by an absolute majority, the nominee shall be awarded Life Membership.

(f) The award including Certificate, Badge of Office and Life Member Jacket shall be made at the next EHBA official function. ***For Example:*** *Grand Final Day, Presentation Function or Special Event.*

Article 3 Programs

(a) All games are to be played as listed in the Official Program.

(b) Any request by clubs for game changes must be made in writing to Management 7 days prior to the scheduled original game time.

(c) Management reserves the right to change game times no less than 24 hours prior to the scheduled game time.

ADMINISTRATION CONT.

Article 4 Clubs

(a) Eastern Hills Basketball Association is made up of Affiliated Clubs.

(b) To be able to nominate, all teams must be part of a club, or have an affiliation with a club or the Association.

(c) All Clubs must complete Affiliation Forms detailing their current office bearers and contact details for the delivery of notices. This form is given to the Administrator no less than 21 days prior to AGM. (see Constitution - Affiliation)

(d) Any changes to Club office bearers must be notified within seven (7) days of the Club's election. (see Rules-Affiliation Procedure)

(e) Management shall not direct how clubs may or should be managed.

(f) Any Affiliated EHBA Club that has any outstanding debt listed on the debtors list will be in-eligible for the following.

i. Compete in end of season finals
ii. Nominate a team/s into the upcoming season
iii. Affiliate as a club to the association
    a. Being unable to affiliate forfeits voting rights at the Annual General Meeting

*Exception: Current invoices issued and within their due date and not overdue will not be affected by this by-law change.

** **Clubs will be notified by the EHBA Administrator of any outstanding debts 14 days prior to the first week of finals commencing.**

Only once remittance is provided to the EHBA Administrator clubs will be deemed eligible to compete, nominate or affiliate.

Article 5 Court Officials

(a) Conduct of all officials shall be overseen by Management.

(b) Court Supervisor may be appointed only by Management.

(c) The Court Supervisor shall be responsible for the conduct of the competition for the allocated games according to their job description.

(d) Court Officials: Must notify the Court Supervisor or Management with sufficient notice of their inability to attend Junior & Senior games as rostered.

(e) All Court Officials shall familiarise themselves with the FIBA Regulations, Basketball Australia SA Country and EHBA Rules and By-Laws and Reporting Procedures to efficiently and fairly perform their duties.

(f) Any complaint concerning the conduct of Court Officials shall be made in accordance with these By-Laws.

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GAME CONDITIONS

Article 6 Playing Conditions

(a) The game clock will start at the scheduled time

(b) The game is played over four (4) ten (10) minute quarters

(c) The teams must commence playing when three (3) or more players from each team are in attendance.

(d) In the event a member is refereeing or coaching the game prior where they are playing on the opposite court where the team has less than five (5) players, the game shall not commence until the member has completed their duties on the opposite court.

(e) Both teams must have four (4) players on the court by commencement of the second quarter for the game to be played in its entirety. If not, this becomes a non-notified forfeit. *(see Article 8 Forfeits)*

(f) The referee/ Court Supervisor / or member of the Management may direct the coach to sit. The coach may stand in the following situations;

(i) Coaches may stand to approach the bench to ask for a time-out and stand during the time-out to address players.

(ii) Coaches may stand within their area of the bench to deliver instructions to players on the court or on the bench.

(g) If in the view of a match referee, court supervisor or member of the management committee the coach's behaviour is detracting from the game then penalties may apply.

(h) Coaches may only interact with referees in a respectful manner at any stage.

PENALTY:

The coach may be warned or immediately given a technical foul. If warned, any subsequent infringement is an automatic technical foul.

Any subsequent breach will lead to disqualification from the game.

(h) Outside of the game times, no person shall hang or pull on the ring, apparatus or net, or through any type of shot attempt to cause the ring to move from its horizontal position.

(i) Any damage will be reported to the Management, who will inform the management of the Adelaide Hills Recreation Centre.

(j) In minor round games, the score shall stand that is presented on the official scoring system (Stadium Scoring or Scoresheet) at the end of the 4th quarter including drawn games.

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GAME CONDITIONS CONT.

Article 7 Scorers and Scoring Systems

(a) The scoresheet/ Stadium Scoring Laptop must be completed prior to the commencement of the game. This is the responsibility of the Coach and or Team Manager to notify the referees or Court Supervisor of any changes that need to be actioned.

PENALTY: *1 point per minute or part thereof until the scoresheet/ Stadium Scoring Laptop is completed. This penalty is to be implemented at the referees or court supervisor's discretion by quarter time at the latest.*

(b) Players must be present with their game ticket and have their name on the scoresheet/ Stadium Scoring Laptop no later than the commencement of the third quarter.

PENALTY: *The player is not permitted to play.*

(c) All players are to be listed in the official team list prior to playing. The players must be added to the team list by the club prior to the scoring system upload at 4:15pm on the evening of the scheduled game. **PENALTY:** The player/s will be unable to play or be added courtside unless approved by management & all fees and affiliation have been paid.

(d) Both teams must provide a competent scorer (minimum age of 14 years), prior to commencement of game.

PENALTY: *1 point per minute or part thereof until a maximum of 5 points per half. This penalty is to be implemented at the referees or court supervisor's discretion by quarter time at the latest.*

(e) Scorers on the score table are considered an official of the game and must behave accordingly.

Article 8 Minor Round Timing Conditions

(a) The game will be played over four (4) ten (10) minute quarters with a one (1) minute break between the first and third quarters, and a two (2) minute break at half time.

(b) The clock shall not stop at all in Under 8 and Under 10 competitions.

(c) For all other grades the clock will run continuously except for the last two (2) minutes of the 4th quarter.

(d) No time-outs or substitutions will be permitted in the final minute of the first three (3) quarters UNLESS for an injured player substitution and then the referee may instruct timekeeper to stop the clock to prevent any disadvantage.

(e) In the last two (2) minutes of the final quarter the clock shall stop on all whistles, time-outs, fifth fouls and disqualifications. EXCEPT if one team is ahead by 20 points or more with exactly two (2) minutes remaining on the clock then the clock will only stop for time-outs. If below 20 points after the 2 minute mark the clock will continue to run.

(f) The FIBA rule in which the clock stops after a field goal during the last two (2) minutes will not be implemented and substitutions will not be allowed after a made field goal.

GAME CONDITIONS CONT.

Article 9 Forfeits

(a) A NOTIFIED FORFEIT occurs when a team notifies the Administrator by 12pm the day prior to the programmed start time of the game.

   i. Players from the non-forfeiting team that played the previous round will be awarded the game as if it was played. Any forfeits in round 1 players listed on the nomination sheet will have the game awarded.

   ii. All players from the forfeiting team are unable to claim the game as being played.

   iii. The forfeiting team shall be fined the amount as set by Management.

(b) A NON-NOTIFIED FORFEIT occurs when either notice has failed to be given or it is not given within the required time frame.

   i. Players from both teams will receive a refund on their game ticket.

   ii. In the event where the forfeiting team does not attend on the evening of the scheduled game the referee will mark the names of players present and those players can claim that game as being played.

   iii. A team that has less than four (4) players on the court prior to the commencement of the second quarter can no longer play and this is recorded as a non-notified forfeit.

   iv. The forfeiting team shall be fined the amount as set be Management.

(c) All forfeits will be recorded with a score of 20-nil. Nil being for the team that forfeited.

(d) All fines must be paid within thirty (30) days of the date marked on the fine notice. ***PENALTY:*** *Refer Article 3 (f)*

(e) Where a team forfeits a final game, that team is automatically disqualified for the rest of the finals and forfeit fines are doubled.

(f) An appeal may be lodged with Management against any fine imposed, provided that the fine has been paid (see (d)) and a written appeal is lodged with the Administrator within thirty (30) days of the date on the fines notice.

Article 10 Premiership Points

Premiership points shall be awarded as follows:

(a)	Win	Three (3) points
(b)	Draw	Two (2) points
(c)	Loss	One (1) point
(d)	Loss by Forfeit	Zero (0) points
(e)	Bye	Two (2) points

GAME CONDITIONS CONT.

Article 11 Finals

(a) At the end of the minor round the top four (4) teams shall qualify for finals.

(b) In the event of teams finishing the minor round with the same premiership points:

(i) Then the standings are based on point's percentage

(ii) If points percentage are the same, then refer to FIBA Game Procedures D; Classification of Teams

(c) Finals:

(i)	Week one of Finals:	First Semi-Final	1st vs 2nd
		Second Semi-Final	3rd vs 4th
(ii)	Week two of Finals:	Preliminary Final	Loser of First semi-final v Winner of Second semi-final
(iii)	Week three of Final:	Grand Final:	Winner of First semi-final v Winner of Preliminary Final

(d) A coach or player of the participating teams cannot be a member of the score table during finals. Both teams must provide a competent scorer. The game does not commence until a scorer is found.

(e) Management will appoint scorers for all grand final games.

(f) In the event of a game being cancelled by management, the games will be rescheduled.

Article 11B Finals Timing Conditions

(a) All finals are played over four (4) ten (10) minute quarters with a one (1) minute break between the first and third quarters, and two (2) minute break at half time.

(b) During finals in the case of a draw a three (3) minute extra period is played.

(c) During final weeks extra period timing in the last three (3) minutes is as per (11B d)

(d) Grand Finals for ALL grades will be fully timed under championship conditions in the last two (2) minutes of the 4th quarter and extra periods. (Championship conditions means the clock will stop on all whistles and after all made baskets.)

(e) The clock will stop for all time outs in all finals.

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PLAYER CONDITIONS

Article 12 Registration

a) All Players must be self-registered before playing.
PENALTY: The player/s will be unable to play or be added courtside unless approved by management & all fees and affiliation have been paid

b) Any player that is added to the official scoring system whom has not paid the affiliation or insurance fees, the team will forfeit their premiership points for that game.

c) After the fourth round any team that plays an unregistered player will forfeit the result of that game. The score will be 20-0. The penalty that applies is as per Non-Notified Forfeit (Article 8 (b))

Clearances see Rules 8

Article 13 General Conditions

(a) Players may play up two (2) games in any calendar week (Sunday to Saturday), inclusive of senior and junior games.

EXAMPLE: *two senior games, two junior games or one senior and one junior game per week.*

(b) Players playing two senior games per week may only play in the one (1) grade below their highest usual ranking. Over 35's is the equivalent of B Grade. Under 21's is the equivalent of B Grade.

EXAMPLE: *A usual A grade player, may only play in A and B grade/Over 35's.*

(c) Where a club has more than one team in a competition they have the first three (3) games to finalise the teams and from game four (4) no further player movements is allowed between teams.

PENALTY: *3 premiership points will be deducted*.

(d) Any club who withdraws a team from the current competition will be charged a default bond payable within 30 days. (refer to fee schedule)

Article 14 Permits and Special Permits

(a) A permit may be granted by a players registered club to another club where the player wishes to play a second game and their registered club does not deem them as a required player. However, to qualify for finals the player must qualify the required number of games for their registered club and permitted club.

(b) A special permit to play outside these By-Laws may be granted by Management. Clubs must apply in writing.

(c) A special permit to play in representative games may be granted where:

i. Insufficient players have nominated to play.

ii. Players have been unable to qualify as per Article14(g).

iii. The player is considered an Association player based on past records and is currently playing but not qualified as per Article 14(g).

PLAYER CONDITIONS CONT.

Article 15 Qualifications

(a) To qualify for final games, a player must have played 5 of the programmed games.

(b) In special circumstances a club may submit a request for exemption from the above qualification requirement. This request should be made in writing and include all relevant documentation. Such requests will be assessed on a case-by-case basis.

(c) During finals Junior and Senior teams may require a fill in player from a lower age group or division from their registered club; this is allowable if that player has qualified to play finals in the lower age group or division.

(d) During Senior finals, fill-ins are only allowed to bring the maximum number of players on the team to six (6), where insufficient players have qualified. During Junior finals, fill-ins are only allowed to bring the maximum number of players on the team to six (6), where insufficient players have qualified. on the team to six (6), where insufficient players have qualified, all fill-ins must be approved by Management.

(e) During finals junior players may play as the fill-in player in senior teams provided that the age eligibility criteria is met, and they have qualified for finals in a junior grade.

(f) All fill-in requests must be submitted to Management Committee at least 24 hours prior to the game. All fill-ins must be approved by Management Committee.

(g) To play finals a permit player must qualify for their permit team, independent of their registered club's team.

(h) To represent the Association in any representative sides, a player must have qualified to play finals in the current or previous season being played at the time of the competition nomination date. Any exemption must be applied for from Management.

Article 16 Player Grading

(a) Management has the power to alter the grade of any team or any player either prior to the season commencing or at any time during the season.

(b) Management may accept or reject any nomination for either a team(s) or a player(s).

(c) Management may fill teams or allocate players to teams as necessary.

(d) A Premier League player must play in the highest level of competition offered by the Association. Applications may be made to the Management for a Special Permit.

(e) A team cannot have more than two (2) players that have played Premier League at any stage in the current or preceding Premier League season. ***EXEMPTION***: ALL teams in the competition already have two (2) Premier League players.

(f) Minimum age to play in a senior competition is 14.

PLAYER CONDITIONS CONT.

Article 17 Uniforms

(a) Uniforms must be as specified in FIBA Regulations.

PENALTY*: the player(s) is awarded a personal foul and the opposition is given points five (5) Seniors and two (2) Juniors per player.*

(b) All teams have the first three (3) programmed games to obtain correct uniforms. From the fourth game penalties (17 (a)) apply.

(c) Clubs may apply in writing to Management for an extension prior to the expiration of the three (3) week period.

(d) Pockets of any description are not allowed.
PENALTY*: the player cannot play.*

(e) Legal Numbers: 00, 1 - 99.

(f) The dominate colour of the shorts must be the same as the clubs registered colours on EHBA uniform register. Logos are permitted. Exception to this is where an affiliated club logo is located on the shorts, those shorts are not permitted.

PENALTY*: the player(s) is awarded a personal foul and the opposition is given points five (5) Seniors and two (2) Juniors per player.*

(g) Lower Body Compression Undergarments that extend below the shorts are permitted.

(h) Upper Body Compression Undergarments are permitted.

(i) Uniforms must be registered with management as per the constitution. See Appendix 2 for Affiliated Clubs and Uniforms.

PLAYER CONDITIONS CONT.

Article 18 Specific Junior Playing Conditions

(a) The word 'Junior' applies to all competitions up to and including Under 18's.

(b) Where a club has a team in more than one (1) division of the same age group, a player from a lower division may play in the higher division as their second game. **BUT once that player has played the number of games required to qualify for finals in the higher division that player cannot continue to play in the lower division.**

(c) Junior Players:

(i) Who play in the district division 1 competition must play in division 1 of their age group or in an older age group.

(ii) Under no circumstances is any team to have more than 3 division one (1) district players. A special request can be submitted to the management committee for approval. The club must provide a case as to why a team needs to be exempt from this by-law.

Penalty: Penalty of the above will be determined by the management committee.

(iii) No junior player who plays in a District division 1 competition in the current season shall obtain a clearance or permit to another club to join a team that already has three (3) current season division 1 district players.

(iv) The management has the power to alter a team at any point of the season where necessary for the benefit of the competition.

(d) In Under 12 and Under14 minor round games, where a team is ahead by twenty (20) points or more a MERCY RULE applies exemption may apply where both coaches and court officials agree.

(e) In all Under 8 and Under 10 games where a team is ahead by ten (10) points or more a MERCY RULE applies.

PLAYER CONDITIONS CONT.

MERCY RULE

(f) In Under 12's and 14's all five (5) players in the winning team must run into their back court and place both their feet behind the oppositions three (3) point line. Once all five (5) players are behind the three (3) point line they may leave the area to play man to man defence.

(g) In Under 8's and 10's all five (5) players in the winning team must run into their back court and place both their feet behind the oppositions three (3) point line. Once all five (5) players are behind the three (3) point line they may leave the area to play man to man defence but not cross the half way line.

(Man, to Man defence: each player is assigned to defend and follow the movements of a single player on offense).

PENALTY: *Continued non-adherence may result in a Personal Foul charged the closest defensive player to the ball.*

(h) The three (3) point line will not apply for any games played in the under 8, under 10 and under 12 competitions.

(i) In Under 8 and Under10 grade the named coach may enter the court to assist the players; however, the coach will not interfere with the play.

PENALTY: *A Bench Technical Foul will be charged against the coach.*

(j) In Under 8 and Under 10 competitions no premiership points or most valuable player votes will be recorded, however game scores will be recorded.

(k) In Under 8 and Under 10 grades, each team will be given 10 “free throw” attempts to be taken immediately upon the conclusion of the second quarter. Each successful attempt is awarded 1 point to be added to the scoresheet as a bonus score. Once both teams have completed the bonus shots than the one (1) minute half time break will commence.

(l) The appointed court supervisor & office staff have the authority to instruct the coaches to construct a new defensive structure for the betterment of the game. Exception to this is being where both coaches and court officials agree.

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DISCIPLINARY

Article 19 Reports

(a) Reporting of players, coaches or spectators may be made by any official rostered to that game or any member of Management present via an Incident Report Form.

(b) SA Country Basketball Reporting procedures shall be followed when the EHBA is of the opinion it is the best course of action to be taken. The EHBA management also reserves the right to hold an Administrative Tribunal where it sees fit to do so. The Administrative tribunal is to be made up of no less than three members of the EHBA Committee.

(c) If any person is ejected from a game, the umpires must make a written account, on the reverse of the game score sheet or scoring system and inform the office, who will lodge it with management.

(d) If any individual is either ejected from a stadium or is legitimately suspended and remains or attends a game the following procedure is to be followed:

- (i) The individual will be asked to leave the stadium by an official which may be a Committee member, Court Supervisor or Office Staff.
- (ii) If this request is not complied with within three (3) minutes then the game the individual is thought to come and observe or playing is to be forfeited to the opposition, and the game is to be suspended immediately.

Article 20 Tribunals

(a) Management shall convene the tribunal in a timely manner as set out in RULES – TRIBUNAL and in accordance with the SA Country Basketball Council.

(b) Any player, coach or spectator may appeal against the decision of the tribunal must do so in accordance with the procedures set out by SA Country Basketball Council.

Article 21 Complaints

(a) Complaints may be lodged by an affiliated club in writing to Management.

(b) Any complaint received from an individual must have their correspondence endorsed by their affiliated club.

(c) Complaints should be made within forty-eight (48) hours of the occurrence.

(d) Management reserves the right to call all parties of the complaint to a hearing or may waive the right to hold a hearing at their absolute discretion.

(e) Management shall notify the parties to the complaint of their decision as soon as possible.

(f) Management may choose at any time to refer the complaint to a tribunal.

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Article 22 Fee Schedule

Nominations	Team Nomination – Junior & Senior	$100.00 + gst
Forfeit Fines	Senior Non-Notified	$120.00 + gst
	Senior Notified	$100.00 + gst
	Junior Non-Notified	$90.00 + gst
	Junior Notified	$70.00 + gst
	Team Withdrawal	$300.00 + gst
Game Fees	Under 10's	$7.00 Per Game
	Under 12's	$8.00 Per Game
	Under 14's – 18's	$9.00 Per Game
	Seniors	$10.00 Per Game

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APPENDIX

1. EHBA - Videoing and Photography Policy

The EHBA is conscious of concerns raised regarding the taking of video footage or still photographs in our stadium(s). Nevertheless, we are also conscious that there are genuine and innocent reasons why this may happen, including the recording of family memories and scouting by team coaches.

In setting a policy with regard to the use of cameras in its stadiums and during its competitions and programs, The EHBA has endeavoured to reach a fair and simple compromise between these competing needs.

The following policy shall apply to the use of cameras in all stadiums and during all EHBA competitions and programs.

A person is permitted to video and photograph games involving minors provided that they are either:

a) related to a player involved in the game, or
b) doing so for scouting purposes
c) promotional purposes, newspapers (courier) and photo board

If any individual has concerns about people videoing or taking photographs of junior games, they should raise them with a stadium official. If the person using a camera is then unable to convince the stadium official that they fall into either of the above categories, they will be asked to discontinue taking photos/filming.

Any person aggrieved by that decision should raise the matter at the earliest opportunity with the EHBA.

No videoing or taking of photographs will be permitted under any circumstances in the toilets or changing areas of the stadium.

Under no circumstances should video footage or photographs taken in EHBA programs be posted online or in any public forum without the permission of the parents of all minors appearing in the video or photograph first being obtained.

2. EHBA - Affiliated Clubs and Uniforms

Below is a list of all currently affiliated clubs and its approved uniform colours:

Club	Uniform 1	Uniform 2	Uniform 3	Uniform 4
Ballfighters	Purple & Black	Grey & Black	NA	NA
The Demons	Red & Black	Black & Red	NA	NA
Warriors	Red & Blue	NA	NA	NA
Zodiacs	Gold & Navy	Navy & Gold	Orange & Blue	White & Blue
Mt Barker Magic	Royal Blue & White	White & Royal Blue	Black, White & Blue	NA
Onka Piranhas	Maroon & White	Dark Blue & Maroon	NA	NA
Meadows	Green & Black	NA	NA	NA
Ravstass	Royal Blue	Black & Royal Blue	NA	NA
German Arms	Light Blue	Navy Blue	Green	NA
HCCS	White & Navy Blue	NA	NA	NA
Strathalbyn	Navy Blue	White & Navy Blue	Silver/Grey	Black/Grey
Rimshots	Black & Grey	NA	NA	NA
Macclesfield	White & Red	NA	NA	NA

Below Is a list of the coloured shorts clubs are permitted to wear

Club	Colour of Shorts
Ballfighters	Black
The Demons	Black
Warriors	Blue
Zodiacs	Navy Blue
Mt Barker Magic	Black or Royal Blue
Onka Piranhas	Maroon or Navy
Meadows	Black & Green (Matching to uniform)
Ravstass	Blue or Black (Uniform Matching)
German Arms	Navy Blue (Uniform Matching with Logo) Green (Uniform Matching with Logo) Light Blue (Uniform Matching with Logo)
HCCS	Navy Blue or White
Strathalbyn	Navy Blue, White, Black or Grey/Silver
Rimshots	Black
Macclesfield	Black

3. EHBA - Members Protection

The Management shall aim to provide an environment;

1. Which is safe for children to participate in, and is
2. Free of discrimination and harassment of any kind.

To further these aims the Management shall provide ongoing education to all who are involved in the EHBA regarding these matters. This is to include committee members, coaches, umpires, spectators and all general members.