Warragul Basketball Associations Social Media Policy

Playing fair online @WBA

Social media refers to online platforms and tools that enable people to communicate, share content, and stay connected through the internet. In the world of basketball, it becomes much more than just a digital function. It is a powerful way to express passion, celebrate achievements, and strengthen community bonds. Whether someone is posting a game highlight, cheering on teammates, or staying in touch with friends and family, every interaction on social media reflects who they are, both on and off the court.

As players and families representing the Warragul Basketball Association, we ask that you use social media in a way that demonstrates:

- **Joy** in the game we love
- **Compassion** in the way we speak and interact
- **Competition** that is respectful, fair, and true to the spirit of the game

THINK before you click!

T – Is it **True**
H – Is it **Helpful**
I – Is it **Inspiring**
N – Is it **Necessary**
K – Is it **Kind**

Communicating respectfully online is an important skill to develop when becoming a positive digital citizen. The acronym **T.H.I.N.K** can provide a good check-in prompt before deciding to act.
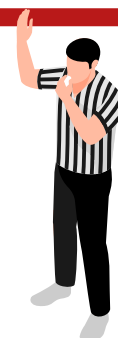
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Fouls Online @WBA

Just like on the court, there are fouls online too.
- 🚫 Misusing the WBA name or logo
- 🚫 Bullying, threats, or mean comments
- 🚫 Swearing or offensive language
- 🚫 Saying things online that break game rules
- 🚫 Posting content that is not yours
- 🚫 Damaging WBA's reputation or its people

Teamwork @ WBA

Being a team player means looking out for others on and off the court. If you notice an online foul report it straight away to you team manager, coach or the Secretary of Warragul Basketball Association.

Disciplinary Action @WBA

Online fouls can lead to serious consequences. Here is what might happen:
- ⚠️ WBA will investigate reported breaches
- ⚠️ You may face warnings or lose your membership
- ⚠️ Serious cases could be reported to police
- ⚠️ Players, refs, staff, and board members may face action under WBA's Constitution

WBA is helping you shoot hoops and stay safe online by offering access to trusted resources. Below is a list of helpful links provided by the Alannah and Madeline Foundation and the eSafety Commissioner, designed to support players and families in building smart, safe and responsible digital habits.

- [eSafety young people](#) – Useful information to help you stay safe online.

- [DigiTalk | Alannah & Madeline Foundation](#) – Online safety hub for parents

- [Dolly's Dream](#) – Parent Hub

beacon
The switched-on app for families online

The **KIDS** RESEARCH INSTITUTE AUSTRALIA | *Dolly's Dream* | Australian Government **eSafety** Commissioner

eSafety Commissioner – Reporting Inappropriate online behaviour

eSafety can help you deal with:

- cyberbullying of children
- image-based abuse
- adult cyber abuse
- illegal and restricted online content, including child sexual abuse content.

① Collect evidence
Take screenshots of the harmful content, and note web addresses and usernames.

② Report
Report the harmful content to the platform or eSafety. Find out what you can report and how to get seriously harmful material removed at **esafety.gov.au/report**

③ Prevent contact
Use settings in the game or app to mute, hide or block the person or account that shared or sent the harmful content. Check your privacy settings.

④ Get help
Experiencing online abuse can be distressing. eSafety has information about support services and how to be safe online.

Scan to visit eSafety Report section

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If you are in immediate danger call **Triple Zero (000)**.