**B.8 Policy for Mandatory “Safe Sport” Training For Royals Coaches**

In 2024, The Barrie Royals Basketball Club is in year 3 of its commitment to Sport Canada’s Responsible Coaching Movement. The Club recognizes that professional development is an important part of coach training and education on a yearly basis. The Policy will be:

“Barrie Royals Basketball Club promotes and adopts Safe Sport Training as a mandatory coach education NCCP module. Safe Sport’s objective is to ensure greater sport participation at all levels by creating, maintaining, and promoting a basketball sport culture and environment that is empowering, positive, inclusive and equitable for all participants free from abuse, harassment, and discrimination.

Barrie Royals coaches have the right to participate in a safe and inclusive training and competitive environment that is free of abuse, harassment, or maltreatment. This training will enable them to interact in a positive manner in incidents with parents and/or spectators.

Barrie Royals athletes have the right to participate in a safe and inclusive training and competitive environment. By completing Safe Sport Training, our Coaching Staff will gain the knowledge and skills to create healthy and safe environments by recognizing, addressing and preventing maltreatment which their athletes may be dealing with. In addition, Safe Sport training will give all of our Royals Coaches an opportunity for self-reflection which may lead to positive changes in their own coaching behaviour and techniques.

Beginning September 1st of each year, it will be mandatory for all Barrie Royals Basketball Coaches to have successfully completed the NCCP eLearning Workshop named **Safe Sport Training.** It is hoped that the completion of this FREE training will occur early in the Royals playing season. However, not completing the Safe Sport Training by March 31st of that playing season will fall under Policy D.3-01 Re Consequences.”