

BRISTOL SONICS BASKETBALL CLUB

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 2025

These Terms and Conditions govern participation in Bristol Sonics Basketball Club activities, including training sessions, games, events, and any other club-related functions. All members, parents/guardians (where applicable), and coaches are expected to read, understand, and adhere to the policies outlined below. By joining the club, you agree to comply with the following terms:

1. Exclusive Team Participation

Bristol Sonics Basketball Club requires all players to commit exclusively to our team's training sessions. Participation in multiple basketball teams or training with other clubs during the same season is not permitted, as it may lead to conflicting development philosophies, increased injury risk, and divided team loyalty. Exceptions may be considered under special circumstances and must be approved in writing by the club's Head Coach or Director.

2. Sportsmanship and Conduct

All members are expected to uphold the values of respect, integrity, and fair play at all times. This includes:

- Respecting coaches, teammates, opponents, referees, and spectators.
- Accepting decisions made by officials without protest.
- Encouraging team spirit and supporting fellow players positively.
- Refraining from the use of inappropriate language, gestures, or unsportsmanlike conduct.

Any player found in breach of these expectations may be subject to disciplinary action, which may include warnings, suspension, or removal from the club.

3. Training Attire and Equipment

Players must come to all training sessions and games appropriately dressed and fully equipped. This includes:

- Club-approved or suitable sportswear (e.g., basketball shorts, athletic tops).
- Non-marking indoor basketball trainers or appropriate court shoes.
- A personal, filled water bottle.
- Any protective gear as required (e.g., knee pads, mouthguards, etc.).

Failure to bring appropriate clothing or equipment may result in exclusion from training or games for health and safety reasons.

4. Zero Tolerance for Bullying or Violent Behaviour

Bristol Sonics maintains a strict zero-tolerance policy toward bullying, intimidation, harassment, or physical violence of any kind. This applies to behaviour on and off the court, including during digital interactions (e.g., social media, messaging groups associated with the team).

Any reports or evidence of such behaviour will be thoroughly investigated. Consequences may include temporary suspension or permanent ejection from the club, without refund, depending on the severity of the offence.

5. Mobile Phone Policy

To maintain focus, discipline, and a safe environment during all club activities, the use of mobile phones is strictly prohibited during training sessions and games.

Exceptions will be made only in the case of emergencies, at the discretion of a coach or supervising staff member.

Phones should be switched off or kept on silent and stored away during sessions. Misuse may result in the phone being held by staff until the end of the session and repeated offences may lead to further disciplinary action.

6. Refunds and Cancellations

Membership and training fees are charged on a monthly basis. Please note:

- Refunds will not be issued once a month has passed, regardless of attendance or personal circumstance.
- To cancel your membership, written notice must be given before the start of the next billing cycle.
- Refunds may be considered for medical reasons with appropriate documentation, but such decisions are made at the discretion of club management and are not guaranteed.

7. Amendments

Bristol Sonics Basketball reserves the right to update or modify these terms at any time. Notice of changes will be communicated via email or on our official platforms.

8. Acceptance of Terms

By participating in Bristol Sonics Basketball Club, all members (and parents/guardians, where applicable) confirm that they have read, understood, and agree to these Terms and Conditions. The club reserves the right to amend these terms at any time with appropriate notice.

Bristol Sonics Basketball Club is committed to providing a safe, inclusive, and development-focused environment for all players. Thank you for being a valued part of our team.

For questions or clarifications, please contact: Email: admin@bristolsonicsbasketball.com

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