**Fidelity House Men’s Basketball League**

**Code of Conduct**

**Fidelity House Mission Statement:** Fidelity House is dedicated to meeting the needs of our community by providing flexible, diverse and quality programs for all ages. Youth development is the primary purpose of the center. Our mission is the promotion of good citizenship, increasing self-reliance and furthering the social, physical and emotional growth of the individual.

The ultimate goal of Fidelity House is to provide its players with a fun, safe and competitive basketball league. The benefits of fair play, exercise, teamwork, competition and camaraderie that exist in our league outweigh any result. This has separated the FIHO Men’s League from others over the past 40+ years. PLAY MORE HOOP!

There is neither time, nor place in any Fidelity House basketball game for any individual(s) to behave in an unsportsmanlike manner. No matter what the outcome of a play or a game is, good sportsmanship will be observed at all times.

Any participant or spectator who:

* Verbally or physically abuses, attempts to intimidate, or cannot control his language or actions toward an Fidelity House game official, Fidelity House basketball league employee, a visitor, a spectator, or another player will be considered in violation of this policy.

Violators of this policy can be immediately ejected from the game, requiring the participant to leave the game in a timely fashion.

If an official deems a confrontation, action, or language severe enough, misconduct technical(s) may be assessed. Referees are under no obligation to warn players first before issuing a misconduct technical foul.

If a player is given a second misconduct technical foul during a game he/she will be disqualified from the game and must leave the premises immediately. If a player is ejected from a game he/she must leave the premises immediately.

Being ejected or receiving a second technical foul in a game will lead to a one game suspension.

Appealing an ejection or technical foul will incur a $20 fee. Payment of the fee does not automatically rescind suspensions or further punishment. Each player is accountable for their own behavior and actions.

If a player during one season is ejected from 2 games, that player will be disqualified from the remainder of the season.

**FIGHTING**- Fighting will incur an automatic 1 game suspension at minimum. A suspension for a fighting ejection is not subject to appeal.

**Spectator Conduct**

There is zero tolerance with regard to spectators causing undo interference with the playing of games. Any spectator who conducts his/herself in an inappropriate, offensive, and/or disruptive manner, including entering the court area during a game will be ejected and banned from attending future games. Team’s accompanied by disruptive spectator(s) are subject to immediate disqualification from the game and possible suspension from further league play.