

VOLLEYBALL YUKON

PARENTS/VOLUNTEERS CODE OF CONDUCT

Volunteers and parents play a critical role in the operation of sport organizations and their activities. Through their responsibilities the parent/volunteer receives rewards such as personal development, recognition, feedback, a tie to family and community, and the personal satisfaction of helping others. In return the parent/volunteer must be expected to conduct their efforts in a manner that will allow the values and goals of the sport organization to be achieved. Thus how a participant regards his/her sport is often dependent on the leadership which will allow sport participants to become well-rounded, self confident and productive human beings.

PARENTS/VOLUNTEERS HAVE RESPONSIBILITY TO:

1. Treat everyone fairly within the context of their activity, regardless of gender, place of origin, colour, sexual orientation, religion, political belief, or economic status.
2. Direct comments or criticism at the performance rather than the individual.
3. Consistently display high personal standards and project a favourable image of their sport.
 - ◆ Refrain from public criticism of parents, volunteers, coaches or officials.
 - ◆ Abstain from the use of tobacco products while in the presence of children.
 - ◆ Abstain from drinking alcoholic beverages, using performance enhancing or mind altering drugs.
 - ◆ Refrain from the use of profane, insulting, harassing or otherwise offensive language.
4. Through proper risk management practices ensure that the activity being undertaken by both parent/volunteers and participants is suitable for the age, experience, ability and fitness level of the individual and educate them as to their responsibilities in contributing to a safe environment.
5. Take the personal initiative to learn respect communicate and adhere to the rules and regulations established for the sport.
6. Treat members of other sport organizations with respect, both in victory and defeat and encourage all participants to act accordingly. Actively encourage all participants to uphold the rules of their sport and the spirit of such rules.
7. Attend to your parent/volunteer duties, as directed, in a timely manner.
8. In the case of minors, communicate and cooperate with the parents or legal guardians, involving them in management decisions pertaining to their child's development.
9. Treat opponents and officials with due respect both in victory and defeat. Encourage other parent/volunteers to act accordingly.
10. Be aware of the role sport plays in everyone's lives and respect the pressures that may be placed on all participants including volunteers as they strive to balance physical, mental, emotional and spiritual aspects of their lives.

PARENT/VOLUNTEERS MUST:

1. Ensure the safety of the people with whom they work.
2. Abide by the Abuse and Harassment Prevention Policy of your sport.
3. Respect the dignity of others; verbal or physical behaviours that constitute harassment or abuse are unacceptable.
4. Never advocate or condone the use of drugs or other banned performance enhancing substances.
5. Never provide under age participants with alcohol or encourage its use.

*I have read and understand the above statements and agree to conduct myself in a manner that demonstrates the standards established in the Parent/Volunteers Code of Conduct.