



## **VA Juniors Player Code of Conduct**

Membership in the VA Juniors Volleyball Program requires a commitment to be the very best person I can be both on and off the court. In addition to the USAV Code of Conduct, I will follow the Code of Conduct outlined below:

1. I will respect and follow the rules and regulations as established by the USAV, VA Juniors Volleyball Club, the coaches and referees and not question their judgment. I will respect the referees and refrain from addressing them during the game unless authorized to do so. If I am disrespectful to a coach, referee, or official at any time, I may be immediately suspended for no less than thirty (30) days.
2. I will cheer for my team and only offer positive encouragement. I will maintain control of my emotions, avoiding the use of abusive or profane language, humiliating remarks and/or gestures and threats of violence. I fully understand that unsportsmanlike conduct or other such behavior will not be tolerated at any and all team events.
3. I will respect the coaches and players of the opposing team and demonstrate appropriate gestures of good sportsmanship at the end of each game by being humble in victory and gracious in defeat.
4. I will respect the property of others, including the facilities in which I am a guest. Following games and practices, I will collect all of my belongings and leave the gym promptly and in the condition in which I found it. The use of illegal substances is strictly forbidden. This includes tobacco products, alcohol and illegal drugs or substances. Any use of these substances is grounds for immediate disciplinary action by my Head Coach and/or the VA Juniors' Club Director which could include an immediate suspension from VA Juniors for not less than six (6) months. If I am at an out-of-state tournament, my parents/guardians and I understand that I may be sent home on the first available flight at our own expense and that this rule will be strictly enforced.
5. As an athlete, you will be expected to give priority to your schoolwork. However, schoolwork should not be an excuse to miss a team event. The mark of a successful student-athlete is taking care of schoolwork in a timely manner to ensure that neither your schoolwork nor your athletics suffer. If there is a conflict between my commitments to VA Juniors and a school athletic activity or college visitation, I understand that I must give my coach advance notice of my absence.
6. I understand that as I player, I may possess and use a cellular phone during rest time at tournaments but not at the scorer's table. Phones that cause an interruption of team activities will result in a loss of that privilege during the season. VA Juniors is not responsible for the loss or theft of personal items.
7. I understand all jewelry and body glitter are considered unsafe and not allowed by USAV and must be removed prior to the beginning of practices and tournaments.
8. I understand that playing time is up to the discretion of the coach based on a multitude of factors including but not limited to; player development, attendance and commitment as well as

9. compliance with club standards, the opposing team's skills and abilities, etc. I understand that I must earn the right to play and that any decision regarding playing time is purely a coaching decision. I further acknowledge that neither my parents nor I will be allowed to approach the coach about playing time at a tournament. I understand that non-adherence to this rule is grounds for my immediate suspension for the remainder of the tournament.
10. I will complete the necessary online requirements for the USAV Scorekeeping and Referee clinics and perform the required duties in order to obtain or renew certification as a referee and/or scorekeeper.
11. I will attend all practices and tournaments unless I have received advance permission from my Head Coach not to attend. I acknowledge that if I must miss a tournament, I must inform my coach at least one month in advance. I understand that exceptions are always made for family emergencies.
12. I will adhere to any training requirements as established by the coaching staff.
13. I understand that these training requirements are in addition to any other requirement set forth by other sport activities and training in which I may be involved.
14. I agree to and will comply with the following USAV forms, as agreed when registering with CHRVA for this season's membership: Waiver and Release of Liability, and USAV Participant Code of Conduct.
15. I acknowledge that I am not allowed to leave a playing site during a tournament. At the coach's discretion, I may be allowed to leave temporarily with a parent/guardian. I understand that if I leave a tournament without the coach's permission I may be immediately suspended from my team for the remainder of that tournament and that my unauthorized departure may be grounds for immediate release from VA Juniors.
16. As per USA Volleyball Guidelines, I acknowledge that I am not allowed to transfer to another club during the current season, and that once I have accepted a position on a VA Juniors team I will not be released barring a documented hardship condition. I may quit the club at anytime; however, I fully understand that quitting the club does not release me from my financial responsibilities regarding full payment of club dues and fees.
17. I acknowledge that if my financial obligations to VA Juniors is not current, I will not be allowed to participate in any VA Juniors activities until all outstanding fees are current or alternative arrangements have been made through VA Juniors Administration.
18. I acknowledge that VA Juniors reserves the right to provide post season consequences for misconduct (within its sole discretion) during the last tournament of the season, including travel to and from tournament. I understand that these consequences will be determined on a case-by-case basis and within the sole discretion of VA Juniors and may include refusal to allow me to tryout the following season.
19. I acknowledge that I am not only making a commitment to VA Juniors financially and time invested but also to my teammates. I have reviewed these commitments thoroughly and agree to adhere to them as a condition of my participation in the VA Juniors Volleyball Program.

**I will Play with Passion! I will play and work hard. I will play smart. I will play for the TEAM first. I will play with a winning attitude. This will require me to commit to working hard and develop good habits. I will not settle for being average. I will need to understand the game, think quickly on my feet, make good decisions, outsmart my opponent, have poise and maintain composure under pressure. I will put the team before myself and support them all in practice and competition. I will build up and encourage my teammates, not tear them down. I understand that we all need each other. I will believe in myself and my teammates. I will not let the fear of failure hold me back. I will not dwell on mistakes and I will play with confidence.**

We, the undersigned, have read and understand the guidelines set forth by VA Juniors and agree to all of the rules and regulations. We are committed to paying all fees administered by the VA Juniors organization.

Team Name \_\_\_\_\_

Player's Name Printed \_\_\_\_\_

Players Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name Printed \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



## **VA Juniors Parent Code of Conduct**

As the parents/guardians of a member of the VA Juniors Volleyball Club, we agree to conduct ourselves in a manner as outlined by the following Code of Conduct:

1. I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches and officials at every match practice or other youth sports event. I will never criticize the opposing team or its coaches.
2. I will place the emotional and physical well being of my child above any personal desire to win.
3. I will provide support for coaches and officials working with my child to provide a positive and enjoyable experience for all.
4. I will try to learn the rules of the game and I will trust that the coaches and referees know the rules and I will not question their judgment. I will respect the referees and refrain from addressing them during the game.
5. I will demand a drug, alcohol and tobacco-free environment for my child and agree to refrain from their use at all youth sporting events.
6. I will remember that the match is for the players and not the adults.
7. I will teach and expect my player to treat other players, coaches, fans and officials with respect regardless of race, sex, creed or ability.
8. I will maintain control of my emotions, avoiding the use of abusive or profane language, humiliating remarks and/or gestures, and threats of violence at all times. I fully understand that such behavior will not be tolerated by VA Juniors VBC and can result in permanent loss of participation privileges with VA Juniors Volleyball.
9. I will respect the property of others including the facilities in which I am a guest.
10. I will maintain control of children I bring with me into the gym, and not allow them to be beyond my direct supervision or to interfere with the match or practice currently underway.
11. I will refrain from talking to players during practices, matches and while working a match for another team. The players need to be concentrating on the game and listening to their coach.
12. I understand that playing time is earned. Playing time is up to the discretion of the coach based on a multitude of factors including but not limited to; player development, attendance and commitment as well as compliance with club standards, the opposing team's skills and abilities etc. Determination of playing time is purely a coaching decision.
13. I understand that coaching is not a science and that all coaches will make decisions that are popular and unpopular. Every member of the VA Juniors Volleyball staff acts in the best intentions of the VA Juniors Volleyball Program, the team and each and every player. I may not agree with every decision they make, but will respect that decision.
14. I will assign responsibility for my player to another responsible adult if I am not present at matches.
15. I am ultimately responsible for my daughter's conduct. If a problem arises at any time I realize that I will be contacted.
16. I will see to it that my player is at practices, tournaments and team functions on time. Early is on time, on time is not late.

17. I agree to be responsible for paying fees due on the specified dates as outlined in the Dues agreement and agree to pay any late, NSF or legal fees.

18. I will respect the mandatory 24-hour 'cooling off' period before contacting any VA Juniors personnel.

19. From time-to-time photographs or video recordings may be taken of VA Juniors players engaging in programs and activities. I hereby grant VA Juniors VBC the right to use these photographs or video recordings for promotional brochures, or showcase of programs on our web-site, showcase of activities in local newspapers, and other not-for-profit purposes.

Voluntary termination of membership by a player for any reason whatsoever shall NOT reduce or suspend the player's obligation to pay all fees and other indebtedness incurred as the result of signing this agreement. In the event a player is injured outside of VA Juniors, the player's membership fee liability will be determined on a case-by-case basis. VA Juniors reserves the right to terminate the membership of any player for conduct the club determines to be improper or contrary to the best interests of the club. A terminated player will remain liable for all fees and other indebtedness incurred as the result of signing this agreement.

### **Liability Statement**

I hereby grant permission for my child to participate in the VA Juniors VBC league during the 20## season. I accept full responsibility for her conduct and release and hold harmless VA Juniors and their staff and officials of any liability for accident or injury. I further grant permission for emergency first aid to be administered and, if deemed necessary, I grant permission for said youth to be transported to an emergency room, and authorize medical staff there to provide treatment.

We, the undersigned, have read and understand the guidelines set forth by VA Juniors and agree to all of the rules and regulations. We will support and be a contributing member of the club's striving to creating and maintaining excellence through a culture of high expectations.

Team Name \_\_\_\_\_

Player's Name Printed \_\_\_\_\_

Player's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name Printed \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_