## SMASH 2022-2023 - Club Participation Agreement

## Section 1 Conditions of Participation

We, the parents/guardians of the SMASH player we are registering today, have read the information set forth herein and agree to abide by the policies and Code of Conduct established by the Club. We agree that, having been selected to a team, we will allow the Player to join the Club for the 2022-23 Club season.

We understand that we are responsible for all fees due by the Player as well as the Player's transportation to and from all practices and tournaments. In the event the Player quits or decides to discontinue playing, we understand that we remain responsible for paying the entire amount due for the season. We have reviewed the player Code of Conduct provided on the SMASH website and understand the time and financial commitment involved in practice, competition and travel. We have reviewed the fee schedule and understand that we must pay all fees by the due date regardless of the duration of participation.

We also understand that SMASH does not permit transfers.

Understanding the stipulations and having discussed them with our child, we agree to and will support her participation in the Club. The Club reserves and, by signing below, the Player, the parent(s) and/or guardians grant the right to take, utilize, and/or publish photographic, digital, or video images for the Club's instructional or promotional purposes without specific permission or compensation. We understand that, once registered with and having competed with the Club, the Player will be unable to transfer clubs for the 2022-23 season.

We have received, read, understood and agreed to abide by and cause all family members and guests to abide the Player Code of Conduct and any other rules of SMASH as they now exist and as they may from time to time be amended or supplemented, including by signage in or around facilities, parking lot and grounds.

## Section II Membership Fees

The Player and parent/guardian agree to accept membership in the Club for the entire season. Membership entitles the Player to participate in practices and tournaments specified for their team. It is clearly understood that "playing time" at tournaments is not guaranteed and is to be determined solely by the coaches subject to the SMASH policy of every player having a regular role involving approximately 50% playing time.

The total season membership fee includes uniform and training gear, practice and training fees, tournament entry fee and hotel for all out of region or Stay and Play required tournaments specified for the Player's specific team as well as hotels with the team, but does not include any travel expenses to and from the tournament nor does it include any expenses should the Player's team choose to attend additional tournaments. If a tournament is within New England and team hotel is NOT required by the tournament, families will be responsible for their own hotel, should they wish to have one.

All payments are dueat the time of registration or according to the payment plan set up in the registration process and, as the responsible party, the parent/guardian are aware and responsible for

knowing the fees due and the due date. We will automatically charge the parent's credit card on the following business day.

If a Player's dues are not paid, the Player may not be permitted to practice or participate until dues are paid to the current amount due. Due to the fact that damages under this agreement are difficult to ascertain, the parties mutually agree that, in the event of a default the Club is entitled to receive the entire contract balance due as liquidated damages. NERVA policy that is that players not in good standing with their previous club will not be allowed to participate in any clubs the following season until the financial matter is settled. The laws of Massachusetts will govern this agreement. This agreement supersedes all prior oral or written representatives or communications between the parties and constitutes the entire understanding of the parties regarding the subject matter of this agreement, and may only be modified or amended by a written supplement signed by both parties.

## Section III Parent Code of Conduct

SMASH does not require that parents attend a comprehensive orientation program, but we do require that all parents of participating players agree to this Parent's Code of Ethics form to pledge their cooperation as follows:

- I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, and officials at every game, practice, or other youth sports event at all times.
- No player, parent, or coach shall make any disparaging remarks about, or gesture toward another player, team, coach, or official. This includes any and all social media outlets.
- I will place the emotional and physical well-being of my child ahead of a personal desire to win.
- I will insist that my child play in a safe and healthy environment. I will supervise and assume full responsibility for player's siblings and/or guests at all times while on facility property.
- I will support coaches and officials working with my child, in order to encourage a positive and enjoyable experience for all.
- I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and will refrain from their use at all youth sports events.
- I will remember, at all times, that the game is for our youth not for adults.
- I will require my child to treat other players, coaches, fans, and officials with respect, regardless of race, sex, creed, or ability.
- I will promise to help my child enjoy the youth sports experience by doing whatever I can, such as being a respectful fan or providing transportation.
- I will require that my child's coach be trained in the responsibilities of being a youth sports coach, and that the coach upholds the Coaches' Code of Ethics.
- I will not approach a coach at any tournament regarding "playing time", rotations, or other volleyball issues. SMASH follows a 24 Hour Rule where coaches, players, and families must wait 24 hours before these issues are discussed.