



RISE Volleyball, Inc.
2025-2026 Parent Contract & Commitment

PARENT/GUARDIAN AGREEMENT:

Participation and support from RISE Volleyball Club parents are essential for the success of the club and enhances a positive experience for ALL club players. We ask that parents adhere to the following guidelines and procedures.

PARENT/GUARDIAN COMMITMENT:

Your commitment to RISE Volleyball Club begins with a **financial obligation**. The financial obligation should be met with the understanding that should your player decide to quit for **ANY** reason OR if she/he is dismissed from the club due to violations of **player or parent** contract, all remaining balances are due within ONE CALENDAR MONTH. This is contractually and legally binding upon signature.

Printed First & Last Name of Financially Responsible Party _____

Signature of Financially Responsible Party _____

Date _____

ATTENDANCE & ARRIVAL TIMES

- **PRACTICES:**
 - We run on "Lombardi Time" which is: Player needs to be **AT THE ASSIGNED COURT DRESSED AND READY TO PLAY 15 MINUTES BEFORE PRACTICE IS SCHEDULED TO START**

TOURNAMENTS

RISE Volleyball is committed to making participation as affordable as possible. This will require club players AND parents to be involved in and committed to fundraising and seeking club/event sponsorship.

PARENT & SPECTATOR BEHAVIOR

CEVA PURPLE CARD POLICY

CEVA, our regional governing body of USA Volleyball, has instituted the **purple card** as a means to handle inappropriate spectator behavior and it penalizes the team. If a RISE spectator is issued a purple card:

- 1st purple card will receive a written warning
- 2nd purple card is received **AT ANY POINT IN THE SEASON**, that RISE spectator will be unable to attend **ALL FUTURE** practices and competition.

I have included a copy of the Purple Card Sanction Policy with this contract.

I have thoroughly read and understand the attached Purple Card Sanction Policy.

_____ initials **AND** date of all parents/guardians.



Parent and Spectator Behavior:

These requirements apply to RISE practices, team events, local tournaments, etc. (think of this as **ANY** setting your player is in where he/she is there for **ANYTHING** related to their involvement with RISE Volleyball)

- Demonstrate respect for **ALL** individuals (other players, parents & coaches of other teams, officials, referees), events, event staff, facilities (courts, lobbies, restrooms, etc.) , facility staff, equipment, policies and procedures.
- Behavior and communication between adults and **ANY** youth (RISE athletes, other teams' athletes, score keepers, line judges, down refs) will be positive, encouraging, supportive and **KIND**

IMPORTANT!! If adult (parents, grandparents, aunts/uncles, cousins, extended family, family friends, neighbors, etc.) conduct is intrusive, aggressive, combative at **ANY** point during practice, competition or any other team events, **THEY WILL BE ASKED TO LEAVE THE EVENT IMMEDIATELY AND WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO RETURN FOR THE REST OF THE EVENT!** (if it is a multi day event, they will be asked not to attend the remaining day/days). ***The players', other parents' AND coaches' mental and emotional well being are our first priority.***

3 STRIKE POLICY

- **1st Offense:** verbal warning
- **2nd Offense:** written warning
- **3rd Offense:** PLAYER and family dismissed from remaining club season. Dues are non-refundable and any outstanding balance must be paid.

TEAM CHEMISTRY AND SUPPORT:

Our club parents play a **critical** role in influencing the success of team chemistry. Our conversations, behavior and actions influence our children, their teammates as well as anyone in our presence. Please refrain from criticising your child, their teammates, coaches, opponents, and officials. These behaviors directly affect the short and long term success of your player and their team. ***A guiding principle should be, "if you would not want it said about you or your player, do not say it about anyone else."***

We understand how competition and playing to win drives excitement and energy, we kindly ask that our parents and spectators:

- be respectful of ***"time and place"*** conversations
- consider self regulated personal "time outs" as needed to manage personal competitive energy and possible unmet expectations.

PARENT / GUARDIAN CODE OF CONDUCT:

1. Celebrate your child's skills, contributions, improvements, and participation; refrain from comparisons and criticism.
2. Be respectful of ALL opponents, teammates, coaches, fans, and game officials at all times.
3. Demonstrate and model good sportsmanship.
4. Honor and respect timeliness/preparedness to practices, clinics, tournaments & team events.
5. Focus your parent coaching on positive attitude and personal goals. RISE coaches are selected based on experience, knowledge and training that makes them ideal for teaching volleyball skills and strategy.



6. Refrain from "Sideline Coaching" - if your athlete is more focused on looking at and listening to you while they are on the court, they are not listening to their coach or focused on and engaged with their teammates.
7. Communicate concerns at advised appropriate times to appropriate personnel, and follow club procedures for resolution.
8. Refrain from individual or team gossip; address concerns in a timely and respectful manner rather than let them intensify and grow beyond original concern.
9. Abide by the USA Volleyball and CEVA Parent / Spectator Codes of Conduct.
10. **DO NOT** interact with players (RISE or from any other club) while they are warming up, on the bench, actively competing, serving as scorekeepers, line judges or referees.

PLAYING TIME is determined by the coach/coaches and is based on:

1. **Effort**
2. **Attitude** (towards parents, coaches, teammates and SELF)
3. **Coachability**
4. **Attendance/Preparedness** (Lombardi's rule - ready to step on court FIFTEEN minutes before start time)
5. **Physical strength & endurance**
6. **Volleyball IQ** (understanding of rotations, where base is, etc)
7. **Position/Role** (Pin, Middle, Setter, DS, Libero, Serving Specialist, Utility Player, Culture Kid, etc.)
8. **Serving strength**

****Playing time WILL NOT be addressed during a tournament or within the 48 HOUR period following the conclusion of a practice or tournament. If the tournament ends on Sunday evening, parents can address concerns with a coach no earlier than the following Tuesday evening.****

_____ < *please initial here*

GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE POLICY:

- RISE Volleyball understands that when competition, training and evaluation can be met with different points of view and emotions. We understand and anticipate that conflict or disagreements may arise and we are committed to a path of positive, successful conflict resolution. Our grievance policy follows the grievance policy set forth by USAV Volleyball.
- There is a **48 HOUR cool down** time before coaches will respond to **playing time** grievances. There are too many emotions involved right after matches and tournaments for clear thinking and positive, constructive communication to occur.

Handling of concerns or questions:

- **PLAYING TIME:** the **PLAYER** will **FIRST** schedule a time to speak directly to her/his coaches **in person** to discuss the issues AFTER the 48 hour window has passed
 - If the player and coach cannot find a resolution of the player's issue, then parents may email/text a request for a meeting with the coaches.
- **NON-playing time concerns:**
 - email the coach regarding your concern, always copy a club director.
- **Concerns/complaints about coaches/staff:**
 - Please email a club director; a meeting with the director, coach, parents and player will be scheduled.



Our conflict resolution protocol is designed to promote transparency and resolution. Therefore, all parties directly involved in the concern and responsible for successful resolution will be involved and included in all discussions.

Coaches are happy to discuss your player with you and your player. Coaches and club personnel will not engage in discussions that involve comparing the playing time, skills, attitudes of other players to your player. Coaches **WILL NOT** discuss other players with you, just as you would not want them to discuss your player with other parents.

Acknowledgement & Agreement Contract

I understand this contract remains in effect from the date of contract signature and terminates on the last day of the season's competition (July 11, 2026). We agree to abide by the rules and procedures contained in this contract. We will not deviate from this procedure unless there are safety concerns for myself, a teammate or a member of the club. ***Failure to follow the rules stated in this contract may result in disciplinary actions up to and including dismissal from the club.***

Parent Pledge:

We, the parents/guardians of the above player/athlete, have read, understand, and agree to follow the RISE Volleyball Club parent guidelines and code of conduct. We understand and accept our financial obligations. We understand that club dues are **non-refundable** after the Letter of Commitment is signed and that should a player decide not to complete the 25-26 season for ANY reason, including club dismissal for behavior or financial issues, the remaining balance owed to RISE Volleyball is due within one calendar month from last day of participation. As parents and/or guardians of a RISE Volleyball athlete, we will work to contribute to the betterment of our club, our player's team, and our own representation by supporting and adhering to all components put forth in this contract.

Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

Printed name(s): _____

Signature(s): _____

Date: _____

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