# NORTHERN CALIFORNIA VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION

# 2023-2024 Code of Behavior

The following is not a complete list of behavior codes, but it gives a starting point in considering what proper behavior at a volleyball event is for parents and spectators.

- Remain in the spectator area during matches.
- Do not make derogatory comments to coaches, officials, tournament directors or players of either team.
- Do not drink alcohol at tournaments or come to a tournament having consumed too much alcohol.
- Respect the integrity and judgment of the officials without taunting or approaching them at any time.
- Be in control of your emotions.
- Respect the rights of others and treat the visiting team and their spectators courteously.
- Abide by all applicable federal, state, and local laws while attending any match.
- Cheer positively for your team, using socially acceptable language.
- Follow the rules of the event
- Follow the rules of the facility, such as NO FOOD IN GYM, no beach chairs, etc.
- Use litter receptacles to properly dispose of trash.
- Use only designated smoking areas that are clearly posted.
- Applaud good performances by both teams. Excessive noise during such as pounding on bleachers or use of artificial noise makers is not permitted.
- Discourage all forms of violent behavior.
- Direct all questions at an event to the Head Coach or Club Director for my team/club as opposed to contacting the Tournament Director directly.
- Do not contact any site used by NCVA directly
- Do not advise the coach on how to coach.
- Do not try to coach your child during the match.
- Cheer for your child's team.
- Show interest, enthusiasm, and support for your child.
- Help when asked by coaches or officials.
- Thank coaches, officials, tournament directors, and other volunteers who conducted the event.
- Know the rules.
- Avoid conduct that is inappropriate as determined by comparison to normally accepted behavior.
- Physical or verbal intimidation of any individual is unacceptable.

<u>I understand that there are consequences for my behavior that may include removal from the event in addition to potential penalties against the team I am affiliated with including, but not limited to removing the team from the event and awarding last place points.</u>

The NCVA is committed to creating and upholding traditions of excellence through volleyball by focusing on responsibility and accountability. Everyone involved in the sport of volleyball will fit into at least one of the following categories.

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## Athlete Code of Behavior

### As an athlete, I:

- will participate in volleyball free of alcohol and drugs
- will use positive verbal and physical behavior, controlling my temper and aggression
- will give true information concerning another individual's involvement in or knowledge of an incident relevant to a violation of the rules
- will play by the rules of volleyball
- will display fair play by treating all those involved in the match with dignity and respect
- will treat others as I would like to be treated
- will work hard and honestly to improve performance and participation
- will maintain a positive image of myself by participating for enjoyment
- will respect the decisions of officials and tournament directors
- will respect the Officials
- will respect all NCVA and Event staff members
- will not use my cellphone, or accessories such as headphones while my team is playing or officiating
- will NOT steal from vendors, other spectator and participants, and/or the venue and NCVA

### Club Director Code of Behavior

### As a club director, I:

- will insist that coaches conduct themselves in a professional manner
- will provide equal opportunities and equal access for everyone to participate
- will insist that unruly fans be removed from the premises
- will follow the rules and regulations of USAV/NCVA to ensure that the association's philosophy and objectives are enhanced
- will develop programs that encompass fairness to the participants and promote fair play
- will positively promote and publicize volleyball
- will hire positive role models for athletes
- will assist in the provision of appropriate first aid and injury treatment of athletes
- will inform all parents participating with my club that all questions at any tournament should be addressed by contacting the Head Coach or Club Director and not the Tournament Director directly.
- will make sure that all players, coaches, and parents are aware that there is not celebratory handshakes or high fives, due to current risk of COVID-19

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# Officials Code of Behavior

# As an official, I:

- will maintain a dignified appearance at all times
- will display impartial, consistent and courteous officiating behavior
- will display quiet efficiency in the performance of officiating duties
- will enforce rule modifications for those with special needs
- will work with other officiating personnel as an officiating team
- will accept officiating feedback positively

## Successful Coaching Behavior

The successful coach is one who conveys:

- the joy of competition
- the meaning of effort
- the worth of character
- the power of kindness
- the wisdom of honesty
- the influence of example
- the rewards of cooperation
- the virtue of patience
- the importance of fair play