

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 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 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. – (No smoking or vaping unless in a designated area).
- Stay in the assigned spectator area.
- 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 your team/club as opposed to contacting the Tournament Director directly.
- **Do not directly contact any event site or venue used by NCVA. If you have questions about the venue, contact the NCVA.**
- 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.
- Understand that there are consequences for your behavior that may include removal from the event in addition to potential penalties against the team you are affiliated with including, but not limited to removing the team from the event and awarding last place points.



2020-2021 Code of Behavior

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.

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

Parent Code of Behavior

As a parent, I:

- will be positive in attitude toward volleyball and emphasize the cooperative nature of the sport
- will encourage hard work and honest effort that will lead to improved performance and participation
- will encourage and respect referees and officials and their integrity
- will encourage athletes to participate for their own enjoyment
- will be supportive of all attempts to remove verbal and physical abuse from organized volleyball activities, including the use of inappropriate language
- will stay away from the playing area during the match
- will applaud fair play during matches
- will respect the decisions of officials and tournament directors
- will respect the Officials
- will not go to the tournament director for any calls made by the official
- will respect all NCVA and Event staff members

Spectator Code of Behavior

As a spectator, I:

- will respect the rights of others and treat the visiting team and their spectators courteously
- will abide by all applicable federal, state, and local laws while attending any match
- will cheer positively for my team, using socially acceptable language
- will respect the integrity and judgment of the officials without taunting or approaching them between sets or at the end of the match
- will only use designated smoking areas that are clearly posted. – (No smoking or vaping unless in a designated area).
- will use litter receptacles to properly dispose of trash
- will applaud good performances by both teams
- will discourage all forms of violent behavior
- will respect the decisions of officials and tournament directors

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

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
- will speak to a Tournament Director in case of an emergency that requires me to leave
- will remain off my electronic devices and headphones while officiating



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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
- the importance of respecting one another