

**BADGER REGION
JUNIOR COACHES CODE OF ETHICS**

1. All coaches must be adults (18 years or older and out of High School) and regular registered members of USA Volleyball.
2. All coaches must be minimally certified at the IMPACT Level.
3. All coaches must read and sign the USAV Coaches Code of Ethics. Violation of the Code of Ethics may result in sanctions against either or both the coach and club involved. These sanctions may extend to loss of eligibility of the coach, player, team or club, and are subject to further disciplinary action.
4. No coach can participate, require or condone any act considered to be an offense under Federal, State or Local laws/Ordinances.
5. No coach can supply or condone the use by players of drugs, alcohol, tobacco, fireworks, ammunition, firearms, weapons or any item or materials that can be used as a weapon or which may be a hazard or harmful to other persons.
6. No coach shall allow, encourage, condone or require any behavior that threatens a player's USAV, NCAA or High School eligibility.
7. No coach, player or parent under the direction of a club coach may contact an athlete who has committed to another club, either verbally or in writing, for the purpose of persuading them to leave the club they have committed to at any time (in or out of season). Any face to face meeting between a coach and player, their parents or guardians during which any coach says more than "hello" is a contact violation. This does not prohibit anyone from giving any player, their parents or guardians, information about their club tryouts, practices, organization or cost if it is requested by the player, their parents or guardians.
8. A registered, IMPACT certified, adult coach must be present at all competitions, practices and during supervised travel. This coach is responsible for the moral and ethical atmosphere and practices that occur during such team activities. This coach will provide a positive role model in practices and matches acting courteous, respectful and polite to all players, parents, other coaches and officials. This coach will work with and develop every member of their team, not just the starters.
9. All coaches must inform both their players, parents or guardians that the player and/or their parents or guardians must sign a Medical Release and Waiver of Liability before they can become USA Volleyball members and represent the club.
10. All coaches must inform their players, parents or guardians that they risk bodily injury, including paralysis, dismemberment and death, as well as loss or damage of property. In addition, they must inform them of the USA Volleyball policy that prohibits any player from transferring teams during the season once that player has represented a team or club in a USA volleyball sanctioned tournament or has registered with that club unless under special circumstances (see Junior Olympic Player Representation, Badger Region Youth/Junior Olympic Development Program Handbook, pg. 4).

All Junior Coaches must read and sign this Code of Ethics. The Club Director must keep this form on file. Additionally, every coach must have a signed USAV Coaches Code of Ethics on file with Badger Region (this is normally done at the time of IMPACT Certification).

NAME _____ **CLUB** _____

SIGNATURE _____ **DATE** _____