

Developing Success One Player at a Time

2023 – 2024 Club Volleyball Handbook



CLUB VOLLEYBALL HANDBOOK

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MISSION

The USA South volleyball program is dedicated to providing its athletes with the fundamental, physical and mental training to reach their highest possible potential. We strive to provide each athlete an equal opportunity to reach their maximum potential regardless of age or ability.

ABOUT US

Since 1997 we have worked hard laying the foundation for USA South and propelling it to one of the elite clubs in the Florida Region that is known throughout the country. During that time the club has recognized the following accomplishments.

- Over 55 teams have participated in the Girls National Championships
- More than 135 student athletes have progressed to play college volleyball
- 150 + players per season making their High School & Middle School Volleyball teams
- Players selected yearly for Florida's High Performance Team
- Established one of the top coaching staffs in the Florida Region

USA South has a proven training system which allows each of our player's access to elite training and equal growth opportunities. Our training systems are streamlined and monitored so that players achieve excellence through the relentless pursuit of technical development, physical ability and tactical skills. The attention to detail in our programing and implementation of training maximizes each player's success. Our elite coaching staff and wealth of coaching knowledge is spread among all the players in our program creating consistent and expedited individual volleyball growth.



USA SOUTH TRAINING PROGRAM

Our coaches are highly qualified and trained to design, implement, and facilitate the necessary volleyball fundamentals in a streamlined system. This system allows all players regardless of age or level to be trained in a manner in which each can reach their full potential. Our coaches design layered monthly practice plans that allow them to train players and reach weekly/monthly training goals consistently. This strategy allows all players in the program to continue on a steady growth path to maximize their volleyball skills.

The key to developing success, one player at a time, is the creation and execution of a technical architecture. This consists of a set of teaching principles, teaching cues, video reinforcement, and integrated practice drills by age group and ability that will assure each player learns each skill and game knowledge in a consistent fashion. Every coach teaches and trains from this technical architecture so that instruction is consistent, enabling a player who starts out in little spikers to move to our premier program in a rapid and seamless progression. This accelerated learning is facilitated by the fact that all players learn the skills using the identical cues and vernacular regardless of the coach.

All USA South coaches are taught the USA South architecture and will be required to teach to its standards. As part of our player and coach development plan, the coaches will be assessed based upon their effectiveness in a number of areas, a large piece of which is teaching each player in a consistent and correct fashion. Players will also be reviewed by their coaches to help them stay on task in learning skills correctly.



THE VALUE OF USA SOUTH

Volleyball Programs

- Coaching staff comprised of 70 years of International experience, 65 years
 of Collegiate experience, over 100 years of High School experience. Totaling
 over 235 Years of Combined coaching experience and counting!
- Top Rated Teams in the Florida Region of the USAV in ALL age brackets
- A Top Setters Training Program
- Collegiate Recruiting Program (over 135 collegiate athletes)
- Access to private lessons and position trainings
- Access to multiple facilities with the top training equipment
- Individualized Player Development
- Physical Training Program

Customer Service

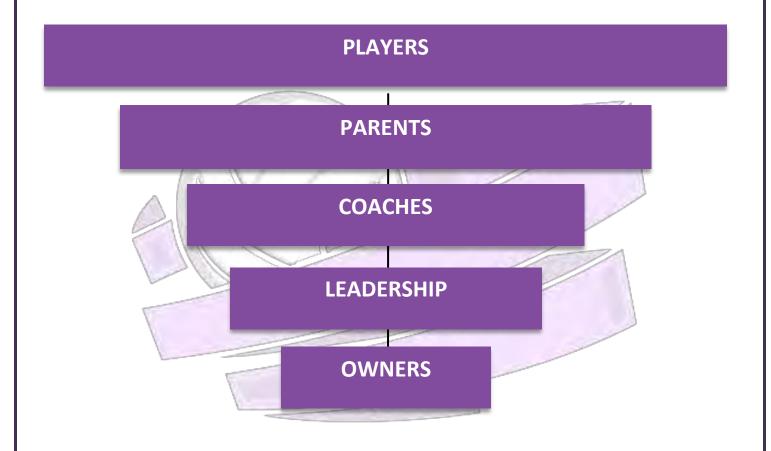
- Prompt and friendly communication to all emails and questions. You are the reason we exist
- Consistent Communication and updates including our own USA South Volleyball App downloadable from the App Store
- First class online Player Management System
- Parent Advisory Committee
- End of year banquet to celebrate the hard work and dedication of our players and coaches

Training Facilities

- Estero Recreation Center 2 courts
- USA South Training Facility 2 courts
 - Newly renovated courts, parent lobby area with TV screens for viewing practices and a meeting room
- North Collier Regional Park- 3 courts



USA SOUTH ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE





PROGRAMS

USA SOUTH SETTERS PROGRAM

USA South has a full standardized collegiate based setting program. This program is based on skills and training that the top recruited setters in the Nation are following. Our program is designed to provide the top setting training available in the Florida Region. All setters have a structured technical curriculum in which all will have the opportunity to receive the best fundamental and philosophical training when it comes to the position of setter. Our Setting Program Director will work hands on with all setters in the USA South program to ensure they are all following the correct technical kills, meeting age level benchmarks and game knowledge.

USA SOUTH RECRUITING PROGRAM

All High School players in the USA South program will have access to our Recruiting Director and services. Each year we will hold recruiting workshops in which player/parents can be educated and receive assistance in the recruiting process. We will also offer recruiting services to those in need of assistance. The recruiting director will assist in players in recruiting needs, network with collegiate coaches of all levels and mentor players when it comes to making commitments.

USA SOUTH PHYSICAL TRAINING PROGRAM

Physical training is an integral part of a player's volleyball development. USA South has partnered with X3 Performance Training Group to develop a program that provides training to help all players of different fitness abilities to achieve their maximum skill level and potential.



USA SOUTH PREMIER PROGRAM

The USA South Premier Program has been designed for the player with a strong dedication and commitment to the sport of volleyball. This program includes three practice sessions and multiple out of state competitions. These out of state competitions are selected to give our players the greatest exposure to college coaches for recruiting purposes. Players in this program are expected to attend all training sessions, competitions and should plan on participating in volleyball training each weekend during the club season. Teams in this program will be expected to compete in the Open and National level. In addition, the following will be offered:

- Three practice sessions per week
- Weekly physical training sessions
- Full access to our volleyball facility and all supplemental training programs.
- Full access to USA South Coaches for Private Lessons
- Indoor club season runs from October through USAV/AAU National Championships for all 12-14 Premier Purple teams.
- Indoor club season runs from November through USAV/AAU National Championships for all 15-17 Premier Purple teams.
- Indoor club season runs from October through Florida Regional Championships for all ages 11-14 Premier Black, White and Grey teams. The season may be extend if they qualify for the USAV National Championship or choose to compete in the AAU National Championship.**
- Indoor club season runs from **November through April for all ages 15-17 Premier Black, White and Grey teams.** The season may be extend if they qualify for the USAV National Championship or choose to compete in the AAU National Championship.**
- Indoor club season for 18 Premier Purple and Black teams will follow USAV Season
 Format and will have the option to compete at USAV or AAU Nationals.**
- Players will receive: 2 uniforms, game warm up, 3 practice shirts, spandex, knee pads and socks
- Tournament schedules vary based on team and age group.

^{**} All Premier Purple Teams are expected to play at either the USAV or the AAU National Championships



USA South Premier Program Club Fees include:

- All Coaches Travel Expenses
- Administrative Expenses
- Player Management System
- Insurance and Membership Registrations
- Facilities, Equipment and Uniforms
- Coaching and Instruction

- Special Programs and Events	1/
Total	
18 Premier Purple & Mizuno Teams	\$3,300
13 – 17 Premier Purple & Mizuno Teams	\$3,820
12 Premier Purple & Mizuno Teams	\$3,250
10-11 Premier Teams	\$1,775

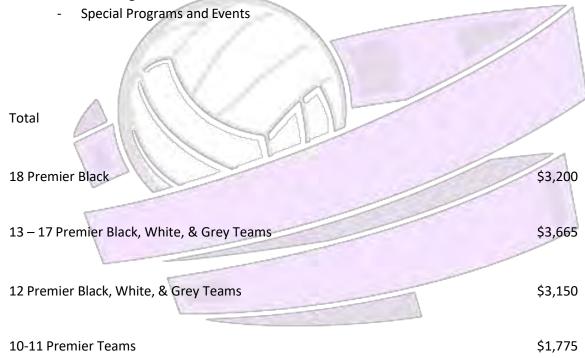
The above Club Fees can either be paid in full or over the duration of eight scheduled payments (August-March)

^{**}USAV/AAU National Championship fees not included.



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- Administrative Expenses
- Player Management System
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The above Club Fees can either be paid in full or over the duration of eight scheduled payments (August-March)

^{**}USAV/AAU National Championship fees not included.



USA SOUTH NAPLES ELITE TRAVEL & NON-TRAVEL PROGRAM

The USA South Naples Elite Travel & Non-Travel Program has been designed for the player with a strong dedication and commitment to the sport of volleyball. This program includes two practice sessions and in-state travel tournaments as well as local tournament play. These tournaments are selected to give our players the greatest opportunity to develop and grow their volleyball playing skills. Players in this program are expected to attend all training sessions, competitions and should plan on participating in all volleyball training. In addition, the following will be offered:

- Two practice sessions per week
- Full access to our volleyball facility and all supplemental training programs
- Full access to USA South Coaches for Private Lessons
- Indoor travel & non-travel club season runs from November through April
- The season may be extended if your team chooses to compete in the AAU National Championship**
- Travel Players will receive: 2 uniforms, game warm up, 2 practice shirts, spandex, knee pads and socks
- Non-Travel Players will receive: 2 uniforms, 2 practice shirts, spandex, knee pads and socks
- Tournament schedules vary based on team and age group

^{**} AAU National Championship fees not included



USA South Naples Elite Travel & Non-Travel Program Club Fees include:

- All Coaches Travel Expenses
- Administrative Expenses
- Player Management System
- Insurance and Membership Registrations
- Facilities, Equipment and Uniforms
- Coaching and Instruction
- Special Programs and Events

Naples Elite Travel Teams \$2,575

Naples Elite Non-Travel Teams \$1,825

The above Club Fees can either be paid in full or over the duration of eight scheduled payments (August-March)

**AAU National Championship fees not included.



TRAVEL POLICY

At USA South we expect our players and coaches to represent the club in a professional and respectable manner when traveling to and participating in tournaments. All players will be expected to follow the rules stated in Player and Parent Contract. The off court actions of our players and coaches are just as important as those on the court. In today's recruiting atmosphere college coaches are looking for players who are well disciplined both on and off the court.

All players must secure transportation to and from all tournament locations. Players must arrive to the hotel and/or gym by the specified time and attend all team meetings designated by their coach. Players on all teams will stay in hotel rooms with their family. If the player's family is not attending the tournament they can arrange for their daughter to stay with another family. Families are welcome to reserve extra rooms for players to stay in as groups but those parents will be responsible for the player's actions while staying at the hotel. Families will be required to stay in tournament chosen hotels when required and will be notified by the club when that is required. Players must also remember to bring meal money when attending tournaments and when team meals are not provided.

Absolutely no boys are allowed at the team hotel. All players will have curfew every night. Players are not allowed to leave the room after curfew unless it is an emergency in which case they will call the coach. Prior to curfew players will always travel in groups and never alone.

Players are not to leave the hotel or playing venue without notifying their coach. Drugs, tobacco, and alcohol are of course strictly forbidden. Players caught with the above will meet with staff and their parents to determine the course of action. Punishments will be swift and firm.



PLAYER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

USA South has a first class player management system. This system is the home for of all the operations, administration, billing and team management for USA South staff and members. Parents, staff, and directors alike access this web based system for all of their club needs. Below is a list of features and tools available to our USA South members.

- Receive all bills and detailed invoicing for club fees and travel costs
- Make secured online credit card payments
- Account status and track payments
- Print missing forms
- Pre-register for new or upcoming programs
- Update personal information
- Create player profile page to be posted on website (all players get a page)
- View practice attendance and team practice schedule
- Access team contacts
- Receive instant alerts on any team schedule changes



PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

(P.A.C.)

USA South has a Parent Advisory Committee that is comprised of a parent representative from each age group. This committee meets with the club directors on a monthly basis to discuss opportunities to improve USA South for the players, the parents, and the organization. Each representative will act as a communication resource for their age group. Representatives will assist the club in recommendations for new programs, travel, fundraising, events, and be a resource to address any club issues. This committee serves in an advisory capacity only and all final decisions will be made by the club directors. The committees input and suggestions, however, are being sought and are valued by the USA South Club directors. The committee's input will be earnestly and thoroughly evaluated by the club directors before any material policy decisions are implemented.

FUNDRAISING

USA South understands that all our student athletes can use help in affording club volleyball year in and year out. It is very important to us that every athlete who wishes to play for USA South has the opportunity and is not discouraged from playing due to the cost. Each season athletes have the opportunity to participate in fundraisers to help reduce the cost of participation in our program. All fundraisers must be pre-approved by the club in order to use funds raised to offset Club Fees.

SCHOLARSHIPS

The Scholarship Fund allows USA South to assist those local athletes who may not otherwise have the opportunity to participate in a volleyball program or receive the training USA South provides. USA South believes that besides developing athletic skills, a player's participation in this club can foster lasting friendships, develop leadership and cooperation skills for everyday life, and may provide an avenue towards a volleyball scholarship at a major university. We do, however, understand that participation is expensive due to the costs of gym facilities, tournaments, travel, and coaching and administration staff. Therefore, we make every attempt to provide those in need with scholarship awards. Please visit the website for more information on how this program works.



SPONSORSHIPS

Our goal at USA South Volleyball is to make our program financially feasible to everyone. However, we realize that high-performance travel volleyball can be expensive and unaffordable to some families. In an effort to make USA South Volleyball available to everyone, we have created a Sponsorship Program available to raise funds for scholarships. 100% of all proceeds raised by our Sponsorship Program will be used to offset cost for our scholarship families. The more sponsorships we receive the greater the impact on those in need of financial assistance. Our Corporate Sponsorship Partners will receive advertising on our website and other club communications and their contributions may be deductible as a business expense*. For more information, please email info@usasouth.club

*Please consult your accountant to see if your contribution will be tax deductible



DISPUTE RESOLUTIONS & REFUNDS

USA South Volleyball fully comprehends the value of parent involvement and encourages our parents to offer feedback whether positive or negative, but to do so in a respectful way. The below procedure is designed to help athletes and parents with questions, concerns, or problems that may occur during the course of the season. It ensures open and honest communication between all parties involved.

In the event a participant/parent has an issue or dispute with the programming or billing of USA South that dispute and/or issue must be addressed with the coaches & directors of USA South. Both parties will meet and discuss viable options to resolve the dispute/issue in a manner that benefits both parties. If an amicable solution is not agreed upon both parties agree to dissolve any type of ongoing commitments and contractual obligations with no further payments going to the club or refunds to the participant/parent.

If the issue is unresolved, the parent may ask for a meeting with the clubs owners, the club director, and the athlete. The meeting should take place at a location considered adequate for private discussion, agreed upon by the parent, director, and owner and during a scheduled time away from practice or a tournament is appropriate. The decision of the club owner(s) at this point is **FINAL**.

Refunds will be awarded for the following circumstances:

- 1) Player is injured during the course of the club season and will no longer be able to participate or complete the club season. Club will retain monies for services already rendered and return any monies paid for future services.
- 2) Player due to illness must miss an extended time of the club season, unable to participate in practices or tournaments. Club will retain monies for services already rendered and return any monies paid for future services.



3) Player must withdraw from the club program due to school related or educational grades. Club will retainmonies for services already rendered and return any monies paid for future services.

Pandemic/Unforeseen Events

At USA South Volleyball, we are committed to providing volleyball training and development to all our players. From time to time, we may experience a national emergency which will require the club to discontinue training. In these events, we will do everything possible to provide the training promised at the beginning of the season. In the event this is impossible, the club will need to retain dollars spent for operational cost and any unused funds will be credited to the player accounts proportionately.

*Club will not provide refunds for players who chose to no longer participate on a team or withdraw from the club program prior to the end of the season for any reason other than those mentioned above.



Club Release Policy

If an athlete/family decides to depart USA South Volleyball during the respective season, the following steps must take place:

Release Policy:

STEP 1 - The athlete/family in question must submit a written request for release to the Club Director, **Charlie Castillo, at the club's email address: usasouthvolleyball@gmail.com** and to the Florida Region at registrar@FloridaVolleyball.org stating the reason for the request.

STEP 2 - Club will release the athlete immediately once the following item(s) have been completed:

- 1. Athlete returns all club gear provided to athlete this season.
- 2. Member must remit all financial obligations agreed upon contractually. Payment Option Member pays full cost of season.

Transfer Policy: A player can represent only one club during the Season. A change in geographical location of the family due to a change in job, military, scholastic or inner-collegiate status may receive special consideration. No player may participate in different Qualifying events with different clubs/teams. Proof of residency must be provided by the family at the time of the release/transfer request.

Once an athlete has participated in a National Qualifier Event (Regional or NQ) they may not be released for the rest of the season to another club. Please refer to the USA Volleyball (USAV) Championship Manual on releases for athletes that participate in regional or national qualifying/bid events.

Parent Name (Print)	Parent Signature
Date:	



MINOR ATHLETE ABUSE PREVENTION POLICIES

USA South Volleyball Club Director: Charlie Castillo

Covered Organizations/LAOs are required to implement the following athlete abuse prevention policies

To satisfy these requirements, USA Volleyball provides these policies to USAV member clubs. Clubs may choose to implement stricter standards.

SafeSport Club Policies

- 1. One-on-One Interactions, including meetings and individual training sessions (Clubs are required to establish reasonable procedures to limit one-on one interactions, as set forth in federal law)
- 2. Massages and rubdowns/athletic training modalities Locker rooms and changing areas
- 3. Social media and electronic communications
- 4. Local travel
- 5. Team travel

These policies shall apply to the following:

- 1) Adult members at a facility that is either partially or fully under the jurisdiction of a **FLORIDA REGION CLUB**
- 2) Adult members who have regular contact with amateur athletes who are minors
- 3) Any adult authorized by **FLORIDA REGION CLUB** that may have regular contact with or authority over an amateur athlete who is a minor
- 4) Adult staff and board members of a **FLORIDA REGION CLUB**

(Collectively "Applicable Adult" for the purposes of this policy)



POLICY 1 - ONE-ON-ONE INTERACTIONS

Observable and interruptible

One-on-one interactions between a minor athlete and an Applicable Adult (who is not the minor's legal guardian) at a facility partially or fully under the jurisdiction of a **FLORIDA REGION CLUB** are permitted if they occur at an observable and interruptible distance by another adult.

One-on-one interactions between minor athletes and an Applicable Adult (who is not the minor's legal guardian) at a facility partially or fully under the jurisdiction of a Covered Organization/LAO are prohibited, except in the circumstances described in meetings with mental health care professionals and health care providers of this section and under emergency circumstances.

Meetings between Applicable Adults and minor athletes at a facility partially or fully under the jurisdiction of a **FLORIDA REGION CLUB** may only occur if another adult is present, except under emergency circumstances. Such meetings must occur where interactions can be easily observed and at an interruptible distance from another adult.

If a one-on-one meeting takes place in an office at a facility partially or fully under the jurisdiction of a **FLORIDA REGION CLUB**, the door to the office must remain unlocked and open. If available, it will occur in an office that has windows, with the windows, blinds, and/or curtains remaining open during the meeting.

Meetings with mental health care professionals and health care providers

If a mental health care professional and/or health care provider meets with minor athletes at a facility partially or fully under the jurisdiction of **FLORIDA REGION CLUB**, a closed-door meeting may be permitted to protect patient privacy provided that:

The door remains unlocked and another adult is present at the facility.

The other adult is advised that a closed-door meeting is occurring written legal guardian consent is obtained in advance by the mental health care professional and/or health care provider, with a copy provided to the organization.

Individual training sessions



Individual training sessions between Applicable Adults and minor athletes are permitted at a facility partially or fully under the jurisdiction of **FLORIDA REGION CLUB** if the training session is observable and interruptible by another adult. It is the responsibility of the Applicable Adult to obtain the written permission of the minor's legal guardian in advance of the individual training session if the individual training session is not observable and interruptible by another adult. Permission for individual training sessions must be obtained at least every six months. Parents, guardians, and other caretakers must be allowed to observe the training session.

POLICY 2 - MASSAGES AND RUBDOWNS/ATHLETIC TRAINING MODALITIES

Any massage or rubdown/athletic training modality performed at a facility or a training or competition venue under the jurisdiction of **FLORIDA REGION CLUB** must be conducted in an open and interruptible location. Any massage of a minor athlete must be done with at least one other adult present and must never be done with only the minor athlete and the person performing the massage or rubdown/athletic training modality in the room.

LOCKER ROOMS AND CHANGING AREAS

Non-exclusive facility

If **FLORIDA REGION CLUB** uses a facility not fully under their jurisdiction (for, e.g., training or competition or similar events) and the facility is used by multiple constituents, Applicable Adults in categories 1 through 4 are nonetheless required to adhere to the rules set forth herein.

Use of recording devices

Use of any device's (including a cell phone's) recording capabilities, including voice recording, still cameras and video cameras in locker rooms, changing areas, or similar spaces at a facility under the jurisdiction of **FLORIDA REGION CLUB** is prohibited. Exceptions may be made for media and championship celebrations, provided that such exceptions are approved by the **FLORIDA REGION CLUB** and two or more Applicable Adults are present.

Undress



Under no circumstances shall an unrelated Applicable Adult at a facility under the jurisdiction of **FLORIDA REGION CLUB** intentionally expose his or her breasts, buttocks, groin, or genitals to a minor athlete.

One-on-one interactions

Except for athletes on the same team, at no time are unrelated Applicable Adults permitted to be alone with a minor athlete in a locker room or changing area when at a facility under the partial or full jurisdiction of **FLORIDA REGION CLUB**, except under emergency circumstances.

If **FLORIDA REGION CLUB** is using a facility that only has a single locker room or changing area, separate times will be designated for use by Applicable Adults, if any.

Monitoring

FLORIDA REGION CLUB will regularly and randomly monitor the use of locker rooms and changing areas at facilities under their jurisdiction to ensure compliance with these policies.

POLICY 3 - SOCIAL MEDIA & ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS

As part of **FLORIDA REGION CLUB** emphasis on athlete safety, all electronic communications between a coach and athlete must be professional in nature and for the purpose of communicating information about team activities.

Content

All electronic communication originating from Applicable Adults to minor athletes must be professional in nature.

Open and transparent

Absent emergency circumstances, if an Applicable Adult with authority over minor athletes needs to communicate directly with a minor athlete via electronic



communications (including social media), another Applicable Adult or the minor athlete's legal guardian will be copied.

If a minor athlete communicates to an Applicable Adult (with authority over the minor athlete) privately first, said Applicable Adult should respond to the minor athlete with a copy to another Applicable Adult or the minor athlete's legal guardian.

When an Applicable Adult with authority over minor athletes communicates electronically to the entire team, said Applicable Adult will copy another adult.

Minor athletes may "friend" the organization's official page.

Facebook, Myspace, blogs, and similar sites

Coaches may not have athletes of **FLORIDA REGION CLUB**'s Team join a personal social media page. Athlete members and parents can friend the official **FLORIDA REGION CLUB's** Team page and coaches can communicate to athlete members though the site. All posts, messages, text, or media of any kind between coach and athlete must be professional in nature and for the purpose of communicating information about team activities or for team-oriented motivational purposes.

TWITTER, INSTANT MESSAGING AND SIMILAR MEDIA

Coaches and athletes may "follow" each other. All posts between coach and athlete must be for the purpose of communicating information about team activities.

EMAIL AND SIMILAR/ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS

Athletes and coaches may use email to communicate. All email content between coach and athlete must be professional in nature and for the purpose of communicating information about team activities. Where the coach is a staff member and/or volunteer, email from a coach to any athlete we recommend come from the club website email center (the coach's return email address will contain "@CLUB.com").

TEXTING AND SIMILAR ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS



Texting is allowed between coaches and athletes. All texts between coach and athlete must be professional and for the purpose of communicating information about team activities.

ELECTRONIC IMAGERY

From time to time, digital photos, videos of practice or competition, and other publicly obtainable images of the athlete – individually or in groups – may be taken. These photos and/or videos may be submitted to local, state or national publications, used in club videos, posted on club or club associated websites, or offered to the club families seasonally on disc or other electronic form. It is the default policy of **FLORIDA REGION CLUB** to allow such practices as long as the athlete or athletes are in public view and such imagery is both appropriate and in the best interest of the athlete and the club. Imagery must not be contrary to any rules as outlined in **FLORIDA REGION CLUB's** Participant Safety Handbook.

REQUEST TO DISCONTINUE ALL ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION OR IMAGERY

The parents or guardians of an athlete may request in writing that their child not be contacted by any form of electronic communication by coaches or Applicable Adults subject to this policy. (Photography or videography). The **FLORIDA REGION CLUB** will abide by any such request that their minor athlete not be contacted via electronic communication, absent emergency circumstances.

MISCONDUCT

Social media and electronic communications can also be used to commit misconduct (e.g., emotional, sexual, bullying, harassment, and hazing). Such communications by coaches, staff, volunteers, administrators, officials, parents or athletes will not be tolerated and are considered violations of our Participant Safety Handbook.

VIOLATIONS

Violations of **FLORIDA REGION CLUB's** Electronic Communications and Social Media Policy should be reported to your immediate supervisor, a **FLORIDA REGION CLUB** administrator or a member of **FLORIDA REGION CLUB's** Participant Safety



Committee for evaluation. Complaints and allegations will be addressed under **FLORIDA REGION CLUB's** Disciplinary Rules and Procedure.

LOCAL TRAVEL & TEAM TRAVEL

This policy shall apply to:

- 1) Adult members who have regular contact with amateur athletes who are minors
- 2) Any adult authorized by **FLORIDA REGION CLUB** to have regular contact with or authority over an amateur athlete who is a minor
- 3) Adult staff and board members of FLORIDA REGION CLUB

(Collectively "Applicable Adult" for the purposes of this policy)

POLICY 4 - LOCAL TRAVEL

Local travel consists of travel to training, practice, and competition that occurs locally and does not include coordinated overnight stay(s).

Transportation

Applicable Adults who are not also acting as a legal guardian, shall not ride in a vehicle alone with an unrelated minor athlete, absent emergency circumstances, and must have at least two minor athletes or another adult at all times, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the minor athlete's parent/legal guardian in advance of each local travel.



POLICY 5 - TEAM TRAVEL

Team travel is travel to a competition or other team activity that the organization plans and supervises.

Team/competition travel

When only one Applicable Adult and one minor athlete travel to a competition, the minor athlete must have his/her legal guardian's written permission in advance and for each competition to travel alone with said Applicable Adult.

Hotel Room

Regardless of gender, a coach shall not share a hotel room or other sleeping arrangements with a minor player. (Unless coach is the parent, guardian or sibling of the player) However, a parent/legal guardian may consent to such an arrangement in advance and in writing. Furthermore, a parent/legal guardian may consent in advance and in writing to the minor athlete sharing a hotel room or other sleeping arrangement with an adult athlete

Coach or his/her designee will establish a curfew by when all players must be in their hotel rooms in a supervised location. Regular monitoring and curfew checks will be made to each room by at least two properly background screened adults. At no time should one adult be present in room with minor players, regardless of gender.

Team personnel should ask hotel to block adult pay per view channels.

Meetings

Meetings shall be conducted consistent with the **FLORIDA REGION CLUB** policy for oneon-one interactions

Individual meetings between coach and player may not occur in hotel sleeping rooms and must be held in public setting or with additional adults present with one of those adults being the same gender as the player.