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Mariners Volleyball Club is committed to ensuring that all players have the opportunity to participate in a safe and welcoming environment that is encouraging and promotes their overall development. Parents and guardians have an enormous influence over their child's experiences in the sport.

In this code, "parents" refers to parents and guardians. This code applies to all parents who are members of Mariners Volleyball Club or whose child is a member/player of Mariners Volleyball Club.

Parents shall abide by this code at all times while participating in any Mariners Volleyball Club competition, practice or other club activity.

### **Code of Conduct**

- Conduct yourself in a responsible manner consistent with the values of fair play, integrity, open communication and mutual respect.
- Model positive and responsible behavior and communicate to your child that you expect the same from them.
- Assume primary responsibility for your child's conduct, attitude and understanding of these expectations.
- Treat all individuals and property with dignity, courtesy and respect, including but not limited to players, coaches, officials, volunteers, other parents and all others connected to the club.
- Refrain from any behavior or comments that are profane, insulting, harassing, sexist, racist, abusive, disrespectful or otherwise offensive.
- Emphasize the importance of values such as sportsmanship, respect, cooperation, competition and teamwork to your child, offering praise for fair play, participation and skill development.

- Instill confidence in your child's abilities and encourage skill development, avoiding comparisons with other players.
- Celebrate your child's progress and achievements.
- Respect the coach's role in skill development and understand the coach is responsible for training decisions. Take a healthy interest in your child's progress and provide proper nutrition, rest, overall health and emotional support.
- Direct any questions, concerns or feedback to the coach at an appropriate time and location - never during games or in front of athletes or other parents.
- Follow the club's communication pathway by speaking with the coach first and if necessary, appealing to the Executive Director.
- Avoid coaching from the sidelines, allowing coaches to guide the athletes.
- Ensure your child arrives on time for practices, competitions and other club events.
- Never provide alcohol or drugs to minors in a Mariners Volleyball Club environment and never provide or encourage the use of performance-enhancing drugs or substances.
- Support and uphold this MVC Code of Conduct and take steps to ensure other parents follow it as well.
- Adhere to all Mariners Volleyball Club policies, procedures, rules, standards and ethics at all times.
- Read and uphold Volleyball BC's [Code of Conduct and Ethics](#) during any Volleyball BC-sanctioned activity.

**Disclosure:**

All parents and guardians of Mariners Volleyball Club athletes are expected to understand and adhere to this Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct at all times. While no physical signature is required, participation in any Mariners Volleyball Club program constitutes acceptance of, and agreement to comply with, the standards and expectations outlined in this policy. Failure to follow this Parent Code of Conduct may result in restricted attendance at events, removal from the facility, or other disciplinary action as deemed necessary by the club.

**Approved by the MVC Board of Directors:** August 18, 2025