

**Western Empire Volleyball Association Coaches
Code of Ethics**

All junior coaches must sign this form and maintain by their Club for review by the Region when needed.

1. All head coaches must be adults (18 years of age or older) and registered members of WEVA.
2. All coaches must apply for a background check and have it cleared prior to any involvement with juniors. A WEVA membership / background check card must be worn in plain sight at all events. A background check is good for two years. I understand that I am in violation of WEVA and USA Volleyball policy if I am coaching or in any way connected with juniors in this region without being cleared first through prior background screening. **Please initial:** _____
3. All coaches must be IMPACT or CAP certified within 90 days of registration, in their first season as a coach. Coaches must be IMPACT certified to coach their teams outside the Region.
4. All coaches must inform both their players and the players' parents or legal guardian that they must sign an individual membership application and code of conduct before they can become USA / WEVA members.
5. All coaches must inform both their players and the players' parents or legal guardian of the WEVA transfer policy during a season.
6. Each coach is responsible for verifying the completeness of the "Player Medical History and Release" form of their players and for bringing a copy of the form for every player to all events and practices.
7. No coach can provide or condone the use of drugs, alcohol, or tobacco by players.
8. No coach can participate in, require, or condone any action by their players that is illegal under either the civil or criminal code.
9. A registered adult coach must be present at all practices, during team-sponsored travel, and during competition. This coach is responsible for the moral and ethical atmosphere and practices during such team activities.
10. No coach shall allow, encourage, condone, or require any behavior that threatens players' USA Volleyball, N.Y.S.P.H.S.A.A, or N.C.A.A. eligibility.
11. Once a player has committed to a team or club for the season in writing, no coach from another team or club, players under the direction of another team or club coach, or parents under the direction of another coach, may contact that player for the purpose of persuading them to leave the club to which they have committed. This does not prohibit anyone from talking to another player or giving the player, her/his parents or guardians, information about their club tryouts, practices, organization, etc., if it is requested by the player, her/his parents or guardians. The information must not relate to any promise of future considerations or inducements to leave their present club or team.
12. All coaches realize that they must sign this code of ethics to coach in the WEVA region of USA Volleyball and that violation of the code may result in sanctions being levied against either the coach or club involved. These sanctions may include the loss of eligibility of the coach, player, team, or club.

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IMPACT Certified (circle one): YES NO

Clinic Date: _____ **Clinician:** _____

CAP Certified (circle one): CAP1 CAP2 CAP3 CAP4 NO

Clinic Date: _____ **Clinician:** _____

Coaches Name: _____ (Please Print)

Coaches Signature: _____ **Date Signed:** _____

I will be coaching for: Club Name: _____ Team Name: _____