



**Eastern Shore Volleyball Club**  
Player & Parent Handbook  
2025 Season

## Mission Statement

Eastern Shore Volleyball Club is dedicated to developing skilled, confident, and respectful athletes through competitive volleyball. We emphasize teamwork, integrity, accountability, and sportsmanship both on and off the court.

## Governing Bodies

Eastern Shore Volleyball Club competes under the regulations of USA Volleyball (USAV) and the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU). All players and parents are expected to comply with their rules regarding player eligibility, code of conduct, and safety.

## Player Expectations

Players are expected to attend every practice and tournament. If unable to attend, they must communicate with their coach in advance. After two unexcused absences, the Club Director will review with the family. Players must demonstrate respect, sportsmanship, and professionalism at all times. Disrespect or poor attitude can result in removal, and removed players remain responsible for full dues.

## Parent Expectations

Parent-coach meetings will only be held at the Director's discretion and are strongly discouraged. No meetings about playing time will be scheduled. A 24-hour rule applies: parents may not approach or contact a coach about a game until 24 hours after it ends.

## Conduct Policy

Parents and players must act professionally on and off the court. Negative behavior toward coaches, officials, or others will not be tolerated. Continued issues may result in removal from the club, with dues still owed in full.

## Team Policies

Team bonding is mandatory for all multi-day tournaments. If in the PM wave, bonding happens in the morning (e.g., team breakfast). If in the AM wave, bonding happens after play (e.g., team dinner). These activities don't need to cost anything, only require team time together.

## Stay-to-Play Policy

All tournaments are Stay-to-Play; players and families must stay at designated hotels arranged by the club to ensure cohesion and compliance.

## Financial Responsibility

If a player quits or is removed, they remain responsible for full season dues. Quitting will result in an additional \$300 fine. Outstanding balances are subject to collection if unpaid.

## Fundraising

Mandatory fundraising for Hudl and Media Day helps keep club dues low. Participation is required, or families may owe an equivalent financial contribution.

## Disciplinary Process

1. Verbal Warning
2. Written Warning
3. Director Review
4. Dismissal

Players or parents who fail to comply may be removed, with full dues still owed.

## Code of Conduct Summary

Players agree to attend all practices/tournaments, display sportsmanship, and communicate proactively. Parents agree to support respectfully, follow the 24-hour rule, and avoid discussing playing time.

## Acknowledgment

I have read and understand the Eastern Shore Volleyball Club Handbook and agree to follow all rules and expectations.

Player Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Player Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_