

## **LONDON VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION**

## PARENT / CARER CODE OF CONDUCT

The London Volleyball Association is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the well-being of all its members, ensuring a positive and enjoyable experience for all. The Association believes that it is important that parents and carers of children playing in Association run or sanctioned events must, at all times, abide by this code of conduct.

Parents and carers are expected to:

- 1. encourage their child to learn the rules and play within them.
- 2. discourage unfair play and arguing with officials.
- 3. teach that effort and teamwork are as important as victory, so that the result of each game is accepted without undue disappointment
- never force the child to take part in sport. Support children's involvement and help them to enjoy their sport. Remember that young people are involved for their enjoyment - not yours
- 5. set a good example by recognising fair play and applauding good performances of all
- 6. do not turn a blind eye to bad behavior, cheating or bad manners
- do not coach from the sidelines, and try to show good sportsmanship to all teams during competitions.
- 8. never punish or belittle a child for losing or making mistakes.
- 9. encourage all to play by the rules and respect the match officials
- 10. publicly accept officials' judgements.
- 11. use correct and proper language at all times.
- 12. encourage and guide participants to accept responsibility for their own performance and behaviour.
- 13. teach your child to treat everyone equally and sensitively regardless of their age, disability, gender, race, ethnic origin, cultural background, sexual orientation, religious beliefs or political affiliation; gender, ethnic origin or cultural background
- 14. remember that young people and vulnerable adults learn best by example
- 15. recognise the value and importance of volunteers in volleyball. They give their time, energy and resources to provide recreational activities for others.
- 16. not shout abuse at officials, coaches, players or other spectators;
- 17. remain alert to any physical injuries, contacting appropriate physicians and informing

coaching staff of developments.

18. be present in your child's sporting community, and work with welfare officers to ensure their physical and mental well being at all times.

In the event of a breach of this code the offending person will be asked to leave the venue. The London Volleyball Association reserves the right to deal with the offending person's club through further disciplinary action.

## **Revision History**

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