

Playeros Volleyball Club Player-Parent Contract

EXPECTATIONS

This Parent-Player Manual provides information about the program and is a written contract between parents, players and the club to abide by the policies and procedures of Playeros Volleyball Club. Each player, coach, parent, and member of the club leadership team represents the club. The club expects all parties to maintain a positive attitude and uphold the ideals of fair play and good sportsmanship. To participate in Playeros Volleyball Club, all players and parents are required to agree to and sign this code of conduct document.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Playeros Volleyball Club is to provide the highest quality training and competition for young volleyball players at all levels of development. Our core values of teamwork, determination, respect and a growth mindset underpin everything we do. Every practice session, clinic, competition and experience is an opportunity for growth and development. Ultimately, the skills we develop at Playeros Volleyball Club are skills that will help our players succeed both on the court and in life.

ABOUT

Playeros Volleyball Club is a competitive girls and boys volleyball club. Established in 2012. The club emphasizes skill development, growth mindset, fitness and mobility training, wellness education, and teamwork in a competitive and supportive environment.

Playeros Volleyball Club offers club level volleyball teams that compete during the indoor club season from November - June. These teams consist of 9s - 18s at varying skill levels that provide a competitive youth volleyball experience for all players. During the spring, summer and fall Playeros Volleyball Club also offers beach volleyball, summer clinics, and private lessons.

COACHING STAFF

Playeros Volleyball Club aims to provide a positive, healthy environment for youth volleyball players to develop volleyball skills with an emphasis on effort, athleticism, and sportsmanship. We take the long view of an athlete's development, teaching values of teamwork, responsibility, and self-discipline concurrently with competitive volleyball skills. Coaches are committed to the following goals:

- *Promote good sportsmanship - model and teach players to honor the game.*
- *Model the type of behavior expected of athletes. Lead by example by demonstrating fair play, a growth mindset, sportsmanship, composure and enthusiasm to all players.*
- *Demonstrate commitment to a culture of learning, through professional coaching development and certifications, goal setting, and participating in feedback opportunities.*
- *Communicate regularly and extensively with players and parents about all practices, tournaments and expectations for the team to run successfully.*
- *Place the emotional and physical well being of players ahead of a personal desire to win.*
- *Treat each player as an individual, being mindful of the large range of emotional and physical development for the same age group.*
- *Establish team and individual goals for players and provide honest, regular feedback.*
- *Plan and organize practices that maximize learning and keep it fun and challenging for all players.*
- *Honor start and end times of practice schedules.*
- *Provide a drug, tobacco, and alcohol free environment.*
- *Be knowledgeable in the rules of volleyball and teach these rules to players.*
- *Adhere to the principles of the Positive Coaching Alliance, understanding the importance of filling players' emotional tanks.*
- *Reward players for effort, not just outcomes.*

CLUB FEES AND FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

The total cost for the club volleyball season varies by team and are set before tryouts. Fees are paid online or by check. All payments will be made on time and in full.

If fees are not paid, the player will be released from the team and not permitted to practice. If a remaining balance is not paid, the player will not be permitted to play the following season. Club fees represent the cost for a player to play on a club team. Fees pertain to all teams, regardless of age/level. Fees include:

- *Tournament and League Registration Fees*
- *Facilities*
- *Insurance*
- *Coach Salaries and Expenses*
- *Player Apparel Package*
- *Team Equipment*
- *Administrative Fees*

The club fees do not include team travel expenses such as hotels, food, social outings, team parties, and the like. Players on teams that travel more will pay more due to travel expenses.

COMMITMENT

In addition to club fees, club teams require a significant commitment by the player and support by the player's family. Practices are held at least two times per week, and tournaments during the weekends.

While family and academic obligations come first and we encourage multi-sport and multi-activity athletes, it is important to understand the commitment required of successful teams. We believe that the vast majority of players can be responsible and diligent to take care of their academic workload throughout the season without conflicting with practices or tournaments. We also ask players and families to do their best to schedule school and family events around your team's schedule, at least those within your control/influence.

In the case of other sports and activities, if the athlete has committed to dates/events prior to signing with Playeros Volleyball Club and those dates have been communicated with the coach, that would be considered a reasonable absence. If the athlete decides to participate in other activities or sports prior to her commitment with Playeros Volleyball Club, we would expect her to uphold her commitment to her Playeros Volleyball team first.

INSURANCE

Playeros Volleyball Club provides some insurance protection through **USAV Volleyball** on an excess coverage basis for all members participating in scheduled, supervised, approved activities such as practice sessions and tournaments. Travel with a supervised group of team members directly to and from these activities is also covered. When an injury has occurred during one of these activities, parents must first file a claim with their family insurance carrier.

USAV insurance covers some of those medical expenses associated with a qualified injury not covered because of a deductible clause in the family policy. **THIS INSURANCE COVERAGE WILL NOT TAKE THE PLACE OF YOUR REGULAR FAMILY INSURANCE COVERAGE.**

PRACTICE RULES

Scheduled practice time is START time, and not arrival time. Players and coaches are expected to arrive at least 15 minutes prior to the start of each practice to help set-up nets and equipment and for any team-related discussions. Practices are open to parents at the discretion of the coaches and/or club director. All athletes are expected to attend every practice and only an illness/injury that is serious enough to keep the player home from school or a genuine family emergency are legitimate excuses for missing practice. Regardless of the reason, if a player isn't at practice, her playing time may be affected and players should let their coach know if they cannot be at practice ahead of time. Players are expected to bring water to every practice and to tournaments. Practices will be finished no later than 10:00 pm. Players must help to maintain the facility they are using. Players will not leave practice until all duties are performed and their coaches release them. Dress code must be followed.

CLUB DRESS CODE

Playeros Volleyball players are representing their club and themselves. At practices and tournaments all players are required to wear club apparel. For practice, the required apparel is the Playeros practice shirt, spandex, and volleyball or other appropriate athletic shoes. Players are not to wear clothing that is revealing, cut or torn or have other club affiliation.

PARENT COMMITMENT

We understand that it is our responsibility to provide positive support for our daughter, her teammates, her coaches, her opponents, officials and Playeros Volleyball Club. We will abide by the Florida Region Volleyball and the following rules specific to Playeros Volleyball Club:

AS A PARENT, I WILL...

- Promote good sportsmanship
- Cheer for the entire team, complement players other than my daughter and celebrate great plays from both sides
- Recognize effort, not just results
- Respect the officials
- Reinforce the growth mindset
- Refrain from coaching from the sidelines
- Use positive body language
- Refrain from commentary on other players
- Contribute to the function and needs of the team
- Encourage my child-athlete to speak directly with his/her coach about coaching decisions or other areas of concern. For younger developing players, facilitate a meeting between your player and either the Player Agent or the coach to discuss any concerns.
- Notify a coach/director immediately if I witness any illegal activity in the club, at practice, or at a tournament.
- Provide legal transportation, and obey all the laws and safety (taking into consideration the road conditions and vehicle condition) when driving to and from all team events with players.
- Follow the “chain of command” to lodge a complaint. If the player-coach meeting doesn’t solve an issue, and discussions with the Player Agent are not satisfactory, a meeting will be scheduled with the parents, player, coach and the Club Director.

PLAYER COMMITMENT

I understand that it is my goal to exhibit good sportsmanship to my teammates, my coaches, my opponents, officials, Playeros Volleyball Club and myself. I am fully committed to Playeros Volleyball Club and will abide by the Florida Region Volleyball Code of Conduct and the following:

AS A PLAYER, I WILL...

- *Promote good sportsmanship*
- *Respect the officials, coaching staff, and parent volunteers*
- *Respect the history and tradition of the sport of volleyball by being a good ambassador*

- *Use positive body language*
- *Support teammates with positive comments*
- *Always give full effort at practices and in games*
- *Follow protocol while on the sideline/ bench: Stay next to the coach for instruction. Watch the game. Support teammates with positive comments. Mentally prepare to return to the game. Let the coach decide on substitutions.*
- *Bring water to every practice and tournament. No gum or jewelry. Follow dress code.*
- *Travel and lodge together with my team according to the club travel and transportation policy, unless prior arrangements have been made.*
- *Adhere to all of the standard travel policies of the club, plus any other rules set forth by the chaperones or coaches while on club time.*
- *Arrive at least 15 minutes prior to the start of each practice to help set-up nets and equipment.*
- *Respect all practice and game facilities and their respective staff. Each player is expected to pick up their trash, help put all equipment away properly, and leave the facilities clean.*
- *Notify the coach if you cannot attend a practice or a tournament. Keep Team Snap availability updated and if there are any changes after 2pm, notify the coach via text or phone.*
- *Always display a positive attitude towards teammates and coaches.*
- *Communicate directly with coaches. Players are encouraged to ask questions and direct their own development.*

ADDITIONAL PARENT & PLAYER INFO

- No player is guaranteed playing time in a tournament without participating in practices, showing enthusiasm, demonstrating good sportsmanship, participating in officiating assignments, and working at developing skills.
- No player is guaranteed membership for future seasons. Each new season, the number of teams and roster size will be determined by number of available coaches, availability of facilities, and previous behavior of the player and parents, including payment of fees.
- Players may not drink alcohol, smoke, vape, take illegal drugs, use steroids, or any other harmful or illegal substance. Players may not possess or be under the influence of alcohol or drugs. If it is determined that these rules have been violated, the player will be sent home immediately and face possible dismissal from the team without refund.
- If a player is suspended or expelled from the club, the player is not entitled to any reimbursement of any fees paid.

By signing this contract (player and parents) have read the information above and all the Playeros policies in its entirety and fully commit to Playeros Volleyball Club.