



## USA Volleyball Great Lakes Region Parent/Guardian Responsibilities

*Note: Definitions of terminology can be found on the 2nd page of this document*

1. I am aware that recruiting a committed club player is illegal. My committed club player, son/daughter, has not been recruited by any club personnel to play in the Great Lakes Region.
2. I am aware that no individual under the direction of club personnel may contact a player who has committed to another club, either verbally or in writing, for the purpose of persuading them to leave the club they have committed to or have represented during the previous season.
3. I am aware that my son/daughter must be in good standing within the club. If an athlete is not in good standing he/she will not be allowed to register with any club in the Great Lakes Region.
4. My son/daughter has received no promises of money, gifts or improper incentives to play for a junior club.
5. I have carefully read through all pertinent documents supplied by the Club; i.e., contracts, club rules, regulations and financial disclosures. I understand and accept all financial obligations as outlined by the Junior Club my son/daughter has chosen to represent and have received copies of all documents.
6. I understand that once I sign a club's written contract I am responsible for the fulfillment of that contract unless released by the club.
7. My son/daughter and I understand the new Great Lakes Region transfer policy: This policy prohibits a player from transferring to another club once that player has participated in a sanctioned USAV event.  
**Rare exceptions to the transfer policy are:**
  - a. A Club Director's written release.
  - b. The athlete's safety or well-being is in question.
  - c. If a player's commitment in a season has been completed.Limitations to transfer policies:  
Girls – Once a player **appears on a roster** for a National Qualifier, that player may not participate in any other National Qualifier or the Girls Junior National Championship with another club.  
Boys – Once a player **appears on a roster** for a Bid Event (Qualifier) and that team **qualifies** for the Boys Junior National Championships (BJNC) that player may not participate in any other Bid Event (Qualifier) or BJNC with another club.
8. My son/daughter and I understand the club's philosophy regarding playing time, team placement, starting position, extra practice and outside weight training opportunities. If promises were made prior to committing to a club/team, I have all information in writing.
9. My son/daughter and I understand that the Great Lakes Region has a zero tolerance policy regarding any unsportsmanlike conduct. We further understand that if anyone approaches a coach, player, official, work team member, or facility personnel in an unsportsmanlike manner, they will be asked to leave immediately and sanctions may be imposed.
10. My son/daughter and I understand that many USA Volleyball Great Lakes Region facilities have a "no outside food and no coolers allowed rule." We understand that anyone found to be in violation of this rule will be asked to leave the facility immediately and sanctions may be imposed.
11. I am aware that I should read the most current information concerning regional matters posted on the Great Lakes Region website at [www.greatlakesvolleyball.org](http://www.greatlakesvolleyball.org) throughout the season.

**Parents/Guardians:** If you are aware of a Junior Club Personnel Policies violation, you are to contact the Commissioner as soon as possible.

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## *Definitions of Terminology*

### **Club Personnel:**

Any and all adults associated with a junior club.

All directors, coaches and other club personnel must be registered members of the GLR/USAV.

All club personnel must have taken and passed the SafeSport module.

### **Prospective Club Player is defined as follows:**

A junior athlete who solicits information about a club either personally or through his or her parent/guardian.

A junior athlete who did not play with any USAV Junior Club in the previous season.

A junior athlete who has never played USAV Junior Club.

### **Committed Club Player is defined as follows:**

A junior athlete who is a registered member and has played in a USAV Sanctioned event in the current season.

A junior athlete who has played with a USAV Junior Club in the previous season.

**NOTE: a prospective OR committed junior athlete may solicit information from any club either personally or through his or her parent/guardian.**

### **Marketing is defined as follows:**

A legal tool of promoting a USAV Junior Club through displayed flyers/brochures, newspaper ads, or direct mailing to an entire geographic area when addressed to "occupant." Marketing may be used for camps, clinics, tryouts and/or private lessons.

*No unsolicited information may be given concerning a Junior Club when holding a camp, clinic or private lesson.*

### **Recruitment is prohibited and defined as follows:**

ANY correspondence with a committed USAV Junior Club player or family member via mail, email, telephone, text message, fax, face-to-face, and/or social media. This includes but is not limited to: websites such as Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, Myspace, and Instagram.

The club director and/or person committing the illegal recruitment are subject to sanctions ranging from warnings to suspensions to revoked membership.