

BARRIE ELITES VOLLEYBALL CLUB
Parental Code of Conduct



I understand that participation in the Elites requires that I conduct myself with this Parental Code of Conduct at the forefront of my actions and behaviour. I understand that a failure to meet these expectations will mean that I may not be permitted to attend practices, tournaments, or other club events.

ATTENDANCE – I will help my child attend all practice sessions, matches, and tournaments. If they/they is unable to attend, I will try to ensure that the coach or assistant coach is notified at least 1 day prior to the session being missed. I will provide the coach with a calendar of known dates that conflict with my child's commitment to practices and tournaments well in advance. I understand that lack of attendance at practices will lead to a reduction in playing time or other natural consequences as determined by the coach. I will never take my child from a practice or tournament without first receiving permission from my child's coach.

SPORTSMANSHIP – I will always be a good example for my child in good sportsmanship during practices and tournaments. I will refrain from criticizing officials, opposing players, other parents, coaches, teammates, or my own child. I will exhibit exemplary sportsmanship whether the team is winning or losing, playing well or not playing well. I will be a positive model for my child, the other players, their parents, and the coaches. I will not use any inappropriate language or gestures during practices and tournaments or while representing the Barrie Elites. I will ensure that any guests or siblings that attend tournaments and practices with me also behave according to this code of conduct and I agree to take responsibility for their behaviour.

HELPFULNESS – I will ensure that my child arrives on time to all practices, tournaments, and other team events. When requested, I will assist in the setup and teardown of equipment and insist that our team leave their bench area cleaner than when they arrived. I will encourage my child to share all referee, line judge, and work responsibilities as requested to fulfill the team's OVA expectations. I will offer all reasonable assistance to the Team Parent when asked. I understand that volunteering for club activities does not increase the likelihood that my child will be selected to a team in the future nor does it affect my child's playing time in any way.

COMMITMENT – I will regularly check my email, the Barrie Elites website (www.BarrieElitesVolleyball.com) and my child's Team Page recognizing that this electronic method is the primary means of communication for all practice information and team activities. I will make sure that my child has adequate, safe transportation to ensure their timely arrival and departure from all practices and tournaments. I will encourage my child to budget their time to meet their responsibilities as a member of the Barrie Elites as well as insist that my child meet their academic goals.

COMMUNICATION – I understand that the coaches make the final decisions on all playing time and I will support their decisions. I understand that the coaching staff is responsible for the development of all the players on the team and that I, as a parent, am not fully aware of all the issues surrounding all the players. I understand that second-guessing the coaching staff hinders my child's ability to develop as a volleyball player and as a teammate. I will encourage my child to approach the coaching staff to seek out solutions to issues affecting them including a perceived lack of playing time. I will not confront my child's coach at a tournament or a practice about playing time, playing position, or coaching techniques. If I absolutely feel the need to discuss any problems further with the coach, I will follow the Barrie Elites Grievance Procedure.

ATTITUDE – I will encourage my child to work hard at practices and tournaments and to treat the time spent as a team seriously. I will encourage my child to be attentive and focused on the coach's instruction and I will support the coach's suggestions for my child's improvement.

PAYMENT – I understand and agree to my financial commitments to the club and I agree to pay all dues by the expressed due date. I recognize that my failure to meet this requirement will result in the removal of my child from all team activities. I understand that these fees are to offset the club's direct costs of running the club and that the payment of these fees does not guarantee playing time for my child. **I am aware the Province of Ontario is currently in a pandemic due to the COVID-19 virus and that practice times, games, tournaments and the season may be cancelled with no notice due to items outside of the control of the Barrie Elites. I understand that the refunding of fees will be done on a best effort only and that there are no guarantees that fund will be refunded.**

COVID-19 – I will follow all OVA COVID policies and procedures. I understand that these policies may be fluid and changing throughout the season. It is my responsibility to review the OVA website frequently for revisions of COVID policies.