

## Arizona Region of USA Volleyball Officials Code of Conduct

The Arizona Region is committed to creating and upholding traditions of excellence through volleyball, focusing on responsibility and accountability. Everyone involved in the sport of volleyball is responsible for his or her own behavior whether on the court, the bench, the stand or in the bleachers.

The primary role of the official is to assure opportunity of fair play for all participants. The official serves as an arbitrator who controls the tone of the match by demonstrating an attitude of impartiality and creating a positive environment for competition. It is the responsibility of the official to provide judgments that are within the spirit and intent of the rules, maintain the quality of the competitive experience, apply control measures where called for and protect the health and welfare of each participant. An official's decision is free from bias and is based on a thorough knowledge of the rules and officiating techniques used within USA Volleyball.

The official plays a significant role for the Arizona Region/USA Volleyball in competitive athletic contests. The official represents the ultimate integrity of any competition. Through actions on and off the court, each official must earn the respect and confidence of players, coaches and others. Confidence and respect is not earned by works, but by unquestioned honesty, demonstrated ability, obvious devotion to and a full understanding of volleyball as a whole.

### Official's Code of Conduct

As a member of the Officials Division of the Arizona Region, I assure my conduct will be exemplary and above reproach, both on and off the court. I will not act in a manner contrary to normal acceptable behavior, nor will I place the reputation of the Arizona Region or its officiating corps in jeopardy. In addition, I will:

- Adhere to all aspects and requirements of the SafeSport Program.
- Maintain a professional attitude, comportment, and appearance at all times
- Maintain responsible association with USA Volleyball, its national programs and member organizations
- Devote time, thought and study to the rules, procedures, and mechanics of the sport of volleyball, in order to carry out my officiating assignment effectively.
- Display knowledgeable, impartial, consistent and courteous officiating behavior
- Refrain from consuming alcohol within 12 hours of an officiating assignment
- Refrain from any tobacco or alcohol use while in the presence of any Region athlete.
- Remain within the limits of the law, at all times, with regard to legal substances.  
I will abstain from any illegal substance abuse.
- Enforce Code of Conduct regulations, on and off the court, as authorized by USAV/DCR or AZ Region policies.
- Encourage and support other officiating personnel in promoting officiating team unity and rapport.
- Accept rating and training feedback positively so as to improve my ability as an official

I understand that failure to comply with the guidelines of the Officials Code of Conduct policy may result in disciplinary action, in accordance with the Due Process procedure of the Arizona Region

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_