VolleyballHype Code of Conduct (Parent/Guardian, Athlete, Coach, and General Code of Conduct)

1. General Club Code of Conduct

- **Mission & Environment:** VolleyballHype is dedicated to providing a safe, inclusive, positive, and competitive environment that promotes athletic skill development, sportsmanship, and personal growth.
- **Zero Tolerance for Abuse & Harassment:** Discrimination, bullying, hazing, emotional/physical abuse, or harassment of any kind (in person or online) will not be tolerated.
- **Safe Sport Compliance:** All members are expected to align with provincial and national governing bodies (e.g., Volleyball Manitoba Code of Conduct or Volleyball Canada).
- **Conflict Resolution & Communication Protocol:** Concerns must follow a strict chain of communication. Parents speak first to the athlete, then the parent/athlete speaks with the coach before any joint meetings are scheduled.
- **The 24/48-Hour Rule:** Do not approach coaches or staff regarding emotional match issues, playing time, or tactical decisions immediately after a game or practice. Wait a minimum of **24 hours** (except for immediate safety or medical concerns).

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2. Athlete Code of Conduct

- **Commitment & Attendance:**
  - Arrive on time for all practices (e.g., 15 minutes early) and matches/competitions (e.g., 30–45 minutes early).
  - Notify coaches in advance if you must miss a session due to illness, injury, or school conflict.

- **Work Ethic & Sportsmanship:**
  - Give 100% effort in drills, training, and competition.
  - Be humble in victory and gracious in defeat. Support teammates and avoid negative body language or put-downs.
- **Equipment & Focus:**
  - No mobile phones or electronic devices on the bench or during active training sessions, excluding breaks.
  - Wear proper club gear and footwear; keep personal and shared facilities clean.
- **Health & Safety:**
  - Abstain from alcohol, tobacco, vaping, and illegal or banned substances.
  - Immediately report any injuries, physical pain, or mental health concerns to your coach or trainer.
- **Digital & Social Media:**
  - Represent the club responsibly online. Never post offensive, derogatory, or bullying content about teammates, coaches, opponents, or referees.

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3. Parent / Guardian Code of Conduct

- **Supportive Role:**
  - "Parents are parents, athletes are athletes, and coaches are coaches." Let everyone do their respective job.
  - Instill confidence in your athlete, and avoid comparing them to teammates or other players.
- **Sideline Behavior:**
  - No "sideline coaching" or shouting instructions to athletes during matches or practices.
  - Cheer positively for your team and show respect toward opponents, spectators, and match officials. Avoid unreasonably questioning an official’s judgment or honesty.
- **Playing Time & Selections:**
  - Understand that club volleyball playing time is earned through attendance, attitude, effort, and tactical fit—it is not guaranteed to be equal.
  - Respect coaching decisions regarding line-ups, positions, and strategy.
- **Administrative Responsibility:**
  - Ensure timely payment of club fees and punctuality in dropping off and picking up your athlete.

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4. Coach Code of Conduct

- **Athlete Safety & Well-being First:**
  - Prioritize the physical and emotional safety of every athlete above winning.
  - Maintain healthy, professional, and transparent boundaries with minor athletes at all times.
- **Fair & Respectful Treatment:**
  - Provide a learning environment free from intimidation, humiliation, favoritism, or degrading punishment.
  - Adapt coaching methods to the developmental and age level of the team.
- **Role Modeling:**
  - Model calm, respectful behavior toward referees, opposing coaches, and parents.
  - Uphold the rules and philosophy of the club

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5. Acknowledgment and Signatures

(To be signed by all parties prior to the start of the season)
"I have read, understood, and agree to abide by the **VolleyballHype Club Code of Conduct**. I understand that failure to comply may result in disciplinary action, including reduced playing time, suspension from team activities, or removal from the club."

- **Athlete's Name (Printed): _____**
- **Signature: _____**
- **Date: _____**

- **Parent/Guardian's Name (Printed): _____**
- **Signature: _____**
- **Date: _____**

- **Coach's Name (Printed): _____**
- **Signature: _____**
- **Date: _____**