

Auburn Volleyball Academy 2025-2026
Player and Parent Contract

The purpose of this contract is to establish a clear understanding of the roles and responsibilities of parents/guardians of players and athletes affiliated with Auburn Volleyball Academy. By signing this contract, parents/guardians and athletes agree to support the team's objectives, promote a positive environment, and adhere to the rules and expectations set forth.

Section 1: Player Obligations and Responsibilities

- **Attendance and Punctuality:** The player agrees to attend all scheduled training sessions, matches, tournaments, and team bonding events unless otherwise excused by the coach. The player agrees to arrive at all scheduled training sessions, matches, tournaments and team bonding events on time. If the player participates in other sports or activities, that schedule is to be communicated with the coach. Persistent lateness or absences (without prior communication or a valid reason) will result in the disciplinary actions as follows:
 - Missing the last practice before a tournament results in sitting out the first game
 - Missing any part of a tournament results in sitting that entire tournament as well as the first day of the following tournament
 - 4 unexcused absences = additional physical training decided by head coach
 - 5 unexcused absences = must sit out the first set of a tournament
 - 6 unexcused absences = must sit out the entire first game of a tournament
 - 7 unexcused absences = must sit out the entire first day of a tournament
 - 8 unexcused absences = dismissal from the team/program (with no refund)
 - *Missing more than 50% of a practice will incur an absence. Being late 3 times incurs an absence.
- **Code of Conduct:** The player agrees to uphold the team's code of conduct demonstrating sportsmanship, respect towards teammates, coaches, officials, and opponents.
- **Uniforms:** The player is responsible for maintaining and wearing the appropriate team uniform. The player is to bring all of their uniform items to every match. The appropriate team uniform is as follows: team issued jerseys, team issued black spandex/other approved black athletic bottoms, white crew socks, white kneepads, white or black arm sleeves. Any other items will need to be approved by the club director. Practice shirts will be provided with a uniform package. All teams must enter and exit the gym in the same attire (ex. Purple on Mondays, orange on Wednesdays, so on and so forth).
- **Equipment/Facilities:** The player agrees to respect and care for all equipment owned by the club (balls, ball carts, net system etc.). The player is responsible for keeping their facilities clean and tidy.
- **Health and Fitness:** The player agrees to maintain an appropriate level of fitness and inform the club of any injuries or health issues that may arise. In the event a player misses a practice or tournament due to injury, she will be required to have a doctor's note stating she is cleared in order to continue participation.
- **Drug and Alcohol Policy:** The player agrees to not use drugs or alcohol before or during training sessions, matches, tournaments, or team sanctioned events.
- **Club Affiliation:** The player understands by contract they are affiliated with Auburn Volleyball Academy for the entirety of the season. The player agrees to only wear club affiliated gear to any AVA related event including practices, matches and tournaments. Gear of any kind that is not club issued will not be permitted. Wearing gear or using gear issued by another club will result in disciplinary action.

- Communication: The player will maintain communication with her coaches regarding absences, illness or injuries. The player agrees to inform her coaches well in advance of schedule conflicts. The player agrees to adhere to AVA's 24 Hour Rule that states if an issue were to arise, all parties must wait a minimum of 24 hours before scheduling a time to address the issue. In the event an issue arises, the order of meetings is as follows:
 - Player/Coach Meeting
 - Parent/Coach Meeting
 - Club Director/Parent/Coach Meeting

Section 2: Parent Obligations and Responsibilities

- Attendance and Punctuality: The parent agrees to ensure their child arrives on time for practices, games, and team events. The parent understands persistent lateness and absences will result in disciplinary action and possible dismissal from the team/program with no refund.
- Viewing Practice: Parents are welcome to sit in on practice. The parent understands if they become disruptive or distracting at practice, they may be asked to leave. Persistent disruptiveness may result in being banned from viewing practice until further notice.
- Insurance: The club provides NEXT insurance and insurance through SRVA. Players are encouraged to have their own health insurance.
- Membership Fees: The parent agrees to pay the club membership fees outlined in Section 4 of this contract according to the fee schedule outlined. The parent understands they are responsible for any additional costs that come with playing club volleyball (hotels, transportation, personal equipment, etc.).
- Communication: The parent will maintain open communication with their child's coach regarding absences, illness or injuries. The parent agrees to inform their child's coach well in advance of schedule conflicts. The parent agrees to adhere to AVA's 24 Hour Rule that states if an issue were to arise, all parties must wait a minimum of 24 hours before scheduling a time to address the issue. In the event an issue arises, the order of meetings is as follows:
 - Player/Coach Meeting
 - Parent/Coach Meeting
 - Club Director/Parent/Coach Meeting
- Code of Conduct: The parent agrees to adhere to the code of conduct set forth by the club. The parent code of conduct is as follows:
 - I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches and officials at every game, practice or other events at all times.
 - No player, parent or coach shall make any disparaging remarks about, or gesture toward another player, team, coach, or official. This includes any and all social media outlets.
 - I will place the emotional and physical well-being of my child ahead of a personal desire to win.
 - I will insist that my child play in a safe and healthy environment. I will supervise and assume full responsibility for the player's siblings and/or guests at all times while on facility property.
 - I will not participate in any form of abusive or inappropriate language or behavior at any event.
 - I will support any and all coaches and officials working with my child, in order to encourage a positive and enjoyable experience for all.
 - I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free of all drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and will refrain from their use during all events.

- I will require my child to treat other players, coaches, fans, parents, and officials with respect, regardless of race, sex, creed, or ability.
- I will not approach a coach at any tournament regarding playing time, rotations, or other volleyball issues.

Section 3: Transfer/Releases

AVA does not and will not permit transfers to another club for the duration of the club season. Being voluntarily or involuntarily released from a team is to be decided by the club director. Voluntary or involuntary release does not permit a refund.

Section 4: Membership Fees

The total membership fees due for the _____ team for the 2025-2026 season are _____. A uniform deposit of \$400 is due in full on commitment night.

Fee Schedule/Payment Options:

- One full payment of _____ due September 1st
- Equal payments of _____ (after initial deposit of \$500)
 - 4 equal payments of _____ due the 1st of September, November, and January
 - 6 equal payments of _____ due the 1st of December and February
- Late Payment/Non-payment: Players who have a late account balance are subject to play time limitations. If an account is more than 3 weeks late, athletes may lose their ability to participate in any team event until the account is paid in full. A \$50 late fee will be required if an account is more than 2 weeks late.
- Refund Policy: Auburn Volleyball Academy does not issue refunds once a player has accepted a position and submitted payment, except in the case of a season-ending injury or other extenuating circumstances. A partial refund may be considered if a player is unable to continue due to a documented medical condition, subject to review by club management. Refunds will **not** be issued if a player voluntarily quits or is removed from the team for disciplinary or other reasons.

Section 5: Termination of Contract

Auburn Volleyball Academy reserves the right to terminate this contract at any time due to violations of club policies, code of conduct, or for actions deemed detrimental to the team or organization. In the event of termination, no refund will be issued. Athletes may also choose to withdraw from the club; however, voluntary withdrawal does not entitle the player to a refund or release.

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read, understood, and agree to the terms and conditions outlined in this contract.

Print Parent/Guardian Name

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Print Athlete Name

Date

Athlete Signature

Print Club Admin/ Director Name

Club Admin/Director Signature

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