

Chesapeake Region Volleyball Association

Sportsmanship and Purple Card Program

Chesapeake Region Volleyball Association expects everyone at an activity/event/tournament to exhibit appropriate behavior which expresses a positive response in the moment. Sportsmanship means to express positive words and interactions to everyone in attendance. Sports is an emotional experience; however, our interactions must assist the youth to improve in a healthy environment.

Purple Card Program: CHRVA Handbook

The purpose and intent of the Purple Card Sanction Program is to effectively address and sanction any inappropriate or prohibited behavior exhibited by any CHRVA member or spectator attending or observing any CHRVA sponsored/sanctioned Junior activity. Additionally, this pertains to anyone involved in the actual Junior activity, including the behavior of the participants immediately before and after the activity. This does not preclude the current Yellow and Red cards used by the Officials during the tournament match for the match participants.

6.12.1 Prohibited Behavior

- A. Prohibited behavior would include, but not limited to, any comments(s) made, or actions displayed, deemed by others as rude, profane, disrespectful disruptive, or aggressive, which interferes with the normal progress of a CHRVA Junior activity.
- B. Any behavior prohibited by USA volleyball or Chesapeake Region Code of Conduct and Safe Sport policies.
- C. Any misconduct deemed contrary to normally accepted behavior, which results in the unnecessary interruption of a CHRVA Junior activity.

6.12.2 Administration of the Purple Card Sanction Program

- A. CHRVA Commissioner will be responsible for the oversight of the program.
- B. CHRVA Junior Program Director will be responsible for the implementation of the program through the Tournament Host and Junior Club Directors.
- C. CHRVA Jr. Ethics and Rules Chair and Committee will oversee the disciplinary and sanctions of the program.

6.12.3 Application of the Purple Sanction Card

- A. CHRVA will provide tournament hosts with a supply of purple cards.
- B. During a tournament, if the host staff notices or is made aware of a spectator exhibiting unsportsmanlike or inappropriate behavior, the host staff will approach the spectator safely and give the spectator a purple card. Host staff will ask the spectator which team the spectator is affiliated. Host staff will explain that the behavior that is being exhibited is not appropriate and to cease.
- C. At the end of the match, host staff will approach the coach of the team who the spectator was affiliated. Host staff will explain to the coach the appropriate behavior at a CHRVA event and the club is responsible for the behavior of the team's spectator.

D. Tournament host will report the purple card to the CHRVA Jr. Ethics and Rules Cahir, CHRVA Program Director, and CHRVA Commissioner within 24 hours of the tournament conclusion.

6.12.4 Sanctions of the Purple Card Sanction Program

A. 1st card received: Written email to the Club Director as a warning and to require the Club Director to speak to the team and parents about appropriate behavior.

B. 2nd card same team, same season: Club will be assessed a fine of \$100. Fine must be paid within 14 days of notification. Team is precluded from playing until fine is paid and received by CHRVA Treasurer.

C. More than 2 cards in a season: Club will be assessed a fine of \$500. Fine must be paid within 14 days of notification. All Club teams are precluded from playing until the fine is paid and received by CHRVA Treasurer.

