



*Kent County Volleyball Association*

## **Kent County Volleyball Association (“KCVA”) – Clubs Code of Conduct**

KCVA members are expected to abide by the Volleyball England (“VE”) Code of Conduct, which applies to Coaches, Officials, Volunteers, Players and Parents/Carers alike. Link to the relevant page on the VE website here: <https://www.volleyballengland.org/competitions/volleyball/nvl>

This Code of Conduct is intended to remind clubs of their obligations under KCVA Rules and VE Regulations and to set out some principles which apply at Club level:

1. *Be affiliated to VE for the season in which they participate in KCVA competitions. Confirmation of Affiliation must be provided to the KCVA League Secretary.*
2. *Advise KCVA of teams they wish to enter into KCVA Competitions by the due date advised by the KCVA secretary. This will usually be the date of the KCVA AGM.*
3. *Each Club wishing to take part in KCVA competitions is expected to be represented by at least one person at the KCVA AGM which precedes the relevant season.*
  - *Clubs should also encourage members to volunteer for KCVA committee posts, where possible and particularly where such members may have skills which would prove valuable and beneficial to KCVA.*
  - *KCVA’s aim is that its committee should comprise members from as wide a cross-section of its member clubs as is possible and practical.*
4. *Clubs shall represent themselves and KCVA in a positive manner both within and outside of the volleyball community.*
5. *Not bring KCVA, VE or the sport into disrepute.*
6. *Ensure that appropriate safeguarding measures are in place for their members and volunteering staff.*
7. *Not to make any direct approach to players from other clubs. Clubs must contact that person’s current club to obtain their agreement before making any approach to individuals. (This is intended as a reminder to existing clubs and as guidance for new clubs as it is specifically referred to in VE Regulation H5).*
8. *Ensure that all players are correctly registered with the KCVA Registrations Secretary / Officer prior to the start of each season. Clubs must also follow the relevant registration rules and processes in respect of new players, prior to their participation in KCVA competition matches.*
9. *Read, Understand, Memorise and Apply fully the KCVA Rules. The rules can be found here: <https://www.kentvolleyball.co.uk/rules> A copy will also be provided by the League Secretary, upon request.*
10. *Clubs should also follow the VE Regulations, where these are not specifically modified by KCVA Rules. Link to VE Regulations here: <https://www.volleyballengland.org/competitions/volleyball/nvl>*