

# CODE OF CONDUCT AT DEEP DISH BEACH VENUES

This document outlines all of the Code Of Conducts currently in place at Deep Dish Beach Venues. Upon signing up, visiting, spectating or attending a Deep Dish venue, the person agrees to abide by this Code Of Conduct.

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#### 1. PLAYERS

Deep Dish Beach is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the wellbeing of all people attending the venue. We believe that it is important that all players, coaches, officials, administrators and parents associated with the club should, at all times, show respect and understanding for the safety and welfare of others.

As a player attending Deep Dish Beach you are expected to abide by the following code of conduct:

- All players must play within the rules and respect officials and their decisions.
- All players must respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
- Players should keep to agreed timings for training and competitions or inform their coach or the administrator if they are going to be absent or late.
- Players must wear suitable kit for all sessions, as agreed with the coach. Indoor trainers are compulsory in the sports centres.
- Players must pay any fees for membership, training or events promptly.
- Players are not allowed to smoke at Deep DIsh Beach venues or whilst representing Deep Dish Beach at competitions.
- Players are not allowed to consume alcohol or drugs of any kind at Deep Dish Beach venues or whilst representing Deep Dish Beach at competitions.

#### 2. COACHES & STAFF

The essence of good ethical conduct and practice is summarised below. All coaches & staff must:

- Consider the well-being and safety of players before the development of performance.
- Develop an appropriate working relationship with players, based on mutual trust and respect
- Make sure all activities are appropriate to the age, ability and experience of those taking part
- Promote the positive aspects of sport e.g. fair play
- Display consistently high standards of behaviour and appearance

- Follow all guidelines laid down by Deep Dish Beach and associated governing bodies.
- Hold the appropriate, valid qualifications and insurance cover
- Never exert undue influence over players to obtain personal benefit or reward
- Never condone rule violations, rough play or the use of prohibited substances
- Encourage players to value their performance and not just results.

## 3. COACHES COACHING JUNIOR PLAYERS

Must be a minimum age of 16 years of age and must have DBS clearance

Will carry out the following:

- Positive role model and atmosphere in all activities.
- Act with courtesy, respectfully and politely to all players, parents, other coaches and officials.
- Ensure all players attain as high a level of competency for the sport as they are capable, with all players gaining development of technical awareness and volleyball skills which they will be able to carry on beyond junior levels.
- Do not consume alcoholic beverages in the presence of your young players or come in contact with them while under the influence of alcohol.
- Act in a responsible moral manner in the presence of young players .
- Use appropriate language at all times.
- Be punctual and organised. Actively encourage fair play and good behaviour. Discourage unfair play and bad behaviour.
- Coaches will work and develop with other Deep Dish coaches.

A registered senior coach must be present at all times when junior players are travelling to competitions.

All coaches must agree to this code of conduct to coach for Deep Dish Beach and any violation of this code may result in disciplinary sanctions. The coach must always:

- Develop all players' interest in volleyball.
- Develop each player's maximum potential.
- Encourage and deliberately boost the confidence of all players.

- DO NOT ridicule or over criticise.
- Ensure each coaching session is well prepared with the coaching emphasis being placed on the development and acquisition of skill, decision making and an understanding of the game.
- Maintain the highest standards of personal discipline and courtesy during matches irrespective of the result.

## 4. PARENTS, GUARDIANS & CARERS

Deep Dish Beach is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the wellbeing of all its players. We believe that it is important that all players, coaches, officials, administrators and parents associated with the club should, at all times, show respect and understanding for the safety and welfare of others.

We highly value the support our junior players get from their parents/guardians/carers and expect that you will:

- Encourage your child to learn the rules and play within them.
- Discourage unfair play and arguing with officials.
- Help your child to recognise good performance, not just results.
- Never force your child to take part in sport.
- Set a good example by recognising fair play and praising good performances of all.
- Never punish or belittle a child for losing or making mistakes.
- Publicly accept officials' judgements.
- Support your child's involvement and help them to enjoy their sport.
- Use correct and proper language at all times.

Everybody associated with Deep DIsh Beach is encouraged to be open and to share any concerns or comments that they may have about any aspect of Deep DIsh Beach by contacting info@deepdishbeach.com.

### 5. OFFICIALS & VOLUNTEERS

Deep Dish Beach is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the wellbeing of all its players. We believe that it is important that all members, coaches, officials, administrators and parents associated with the club should, at all times, show respect and understanding for the safety and welfare of others.

All officials and volunteers of Deep Dish Beach are expected to abide by the following code of conduct:

- Consider the wellbeing and safety of players as priority during any sport activities.
- Develop an appropriate working relationship with players based on mutual respect.
- Make sure all activities are appropriate to the age, ability and experience of participants.
- Promote the positive aspects of the sport.
- Display consistently high standards of behaviour and appearance.
- Follow all guidelines laid down by Deep Dish Beach and associated governing bodies.
- Hold appropriate valid qualifications and insurance cover.
- Never exert undue influence over players to obtain personal benefit or reward.
- Never condone rule violations, rough play or the use of prohibited substances.
- Encourage players to value their performance and not just results.
- Encourage and guide players to accept responsibility for their own performance and behaviour.

#### 6. PUBLIC BEACH COURTS

#### **SANDBANKS & BOSCOMBE**

Any recreational or competitive individual, player or club using the courts is bound by the Volleyball England and Deep Dish Code of Conduct.

Where conduct falls under the expectations Deep Dish and Volleyball Dorset will deal with issues in line with the code of conduct.

- Schedules and availability of beach courts:
  - A timetable for court reservations and scheduled competitions can be found on the Volleyball Dorset and Deep Dish websites, links here: <a href="https://www.deepdishbeach.com/bournemouth-public-courts">https://www.deepdishbeach.com/bournemouth-public-courts</a>
  - Outside of the competition and weekly court reservation schedules the courts are available for recreational use on a first come, first serve play basis and are a free facility for the community to use outside of the schedules. Anyone looking to use the courts for any

other purpose than recreational volleyball must contact Volleyball Dorset and Deep Dish to negotiate the reservation.

#### **Guidance for beach court use:**

- 1. Adherence to the Code of Conduct at all times
- 2. Outside of competition and scheduled training, play is on a first come, first serve basis. When the courts are available for recreational use, a fair use policy should be adopted, when courts are full it is expected that the recreational/public users will use the court for no more than 2 hours at a time, this allows fair use by the public.
- 3. Court nets are set to standard full match height, they should not be adjusted by the public, they maybe adjusted by Volleyball Dorset members or Deep Dish.
- 4. Coaches and clubs who offer training (paid or voluntary) must ensure they have appropriate qualifications and insurance.
- 5. Courts cannot be held back for play. If there are no players on the court, even for scheduled sessions, it will be presumed as available unless they are taking a short set break.
- 6. It is the users' responsibility to risk assess the area before play.
- 7. Portable nets may not be used in the designated permanent net area.
- 8. You will need to bring your own volleyballs for use.

Any conduct or behaviour on the beach courts that is deemed to be unsafe, breaches the Volleyball England Code of Conduct will not be tolerated by Deep Dish or Volleyball Dorset and could result in being banned from using the courts. Examples of unacceptable conduct include but may not be limited to: aggression, intimidating behaviour, damage to the nets or designated area, discriminating behaviour, language or actions, leaving behind rubbish on the courts or unsafe play.

#### Guidance for risk assessing the courts and play:

- 1. All users of the courts do so at their own risk.
- 2. Be respectful of the nets, posts and court lines during use.
- 3. Users should bring a first aid provision suitable for use.
- 4. All users must risk assess around the area of play and the court, there should be no solid objects that could cause a risk to any user.
- 5. Remove any objects such as glass, plastic bottles or foreign objects from the playing area.
- 6. Dogs are not permitted in the designated area unless they are service dogs.

- 7. Be mindful of weather conditions and daylight conditions and adjust accordingly.
- 8. Users are responsible for ensuring they are fit to play, this list is not exhaustive but should be mindful of hydration levels, heat stress, sun stroke or playing with an infectious condition.
- 9. All users need to release the tension on their nets and remove any rubbish at the end of their session.

Please report any problems with the courts to Deep Dish or Volleyball Dorset, contact details are available on their websites.