

2023-2024

Oregon High School Racquetball League

Code of Conduct

OHSRL Rules and Guidelines

The Oregon High School Racquetball League (OHSRL) was organized and dedicated to providing enjoyment, competition and physical fitness for high school students through racquetball in a safe and fun environment, while growing and promoting the sport. Participation in the organization's program is subject to the observance of the organization's rules and procedures. As a condition to participating in the program, **each player, coach and parent is required to read, agree to and sign the Code of Conduct.** The code of conduct is summarized below.

Player's Code of Conduct

The activities outlined below are **strictly prohibited**. Any participant who violates this code is subject to a disciplinary process that may include removal from this program and exclusion from future sanctioned tournaments. Report any infractions to your coach, OHSRL site/tournament director or OHSRL board member. All interactions will be kept as confidential as possible given the relevant circumstances.

1. Possession or use of alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs (including unauthorized prescription drugs; documentation of prescription drugs is required) while in a host club or on a host club's property or attending any OHSRL practice, match, tournament or event while under the influence of illegal drugs or alcohol.
2. Any theft, physical damage or loss of perishable items from a host club or any individual (i.e. towels, lights, equipment or personal items, etc.).
3. Bringing on to any club's property dangerous or unauthorized material such as explosives, firearms, weapons or other similar items.
4. Unsporting conduct at any time while on club property including actual or threatened violence; discourteous behavior; swearing; loud outbursts of anger or rage toward another person or group; throwing a racquet, bag or other items; kicking or punching walls or furniture; and inappropriate horseplay toward any individual, group or club property.
5. Any form of verbal, physical, visual or sexual harassment or bullying of League players, volunteers, parents, spectators or club staff. Prohibited behaviors include, but are not limited to: unwanted physical advances, verbal harassment, physical assault, hazing and phone or online bullying or harassment.
6. Gang clothing of any type.
7. Failure to follow OHSRL and/or host club policies and procedures.

Match and Tournament Conduct & Rules

The development of good sporting behavior is one of the goals of the Oregon High School Racquetball League. Officials, event supervisors or representatives, coaches, volunteers, teammates and opponents all deserve each other's respect and courteous behavior.

The following rules regarding sporting behavior and policy will be enforced:

1. A team is responsible for the actions of its individual team members and for spectators directly associated with their team.
2. Unsporting behavior may result in an initial warning, penalty, technical foul or ejection from the match or tournament. Players and/or teams may be dropped from the match, tournament or from future events. An individual player's points may be forfeited from the team's total score.
3. Spectators, coaches or others are not allowed to try to influence or intimidate the match official in any way or at any time before or during the match. They may encourage the players between points or at time outs and must refrain from coaching or calling out to players or referees once the score has been called by the referee and during the playing of a point. If such interference occurs, the individual responsible will be given a warning. If a second infraction occurs, the individual will be asked to leave the playing area. If the same individual makes subsequent infractions during any other matches, he/she will be asked to leave the facility for the duration of the tournament.
4. Protests concerning the judgment of officials will not be considered. Therefore, their rulings are not open to debate. However, questions regarding rule interpretations may be made by the player before or after a point, game or during a time-out. If a point is called, and a player disputes the call, the player is responsible to ask for all rule interpretations either from the referee or the tournament desk at the time the call is made. If play continues before a request for interpretation, the point stands as called. All rule interpretations will come from the USAR rule book.
5. Spectators are also responsible for behaving in a fair, sporting manner. Anyone exhibiting improper behavior will be asked to leave the playing area and, if necessary, the club.
6. Approved protective eyewear must be worn whenever a player is on a court, whether practicing or playing.
7. Immediately notify an official, coach, volunteer or club personnel of any injury so that all necessary assistance can be provided.

Team: _____

Student Signature: Student Name:	Date:
Parent Signature: Parent Name:	Date:
Coach's Signature: Coach's Name:	Date: