

MINOR ATHLETE ABUSE PREVENTION POLICIES (MAAPP)

The MAAPP is made up of a series of policies to help prevent opportunities for abuse or misconduct of minor athletes. These policies are:

- One-on-One Interactions
- Meeting and Training Sessions
- Athletic Training Modalities, Massages, and Rubdowns
- Locker Rooms and Changing Areas
- Electronic Communications
- Transportation
- Lodging

NOTE: One-on-One Interaction is the foundation of the MAAPP. All One-on-One Interactions between Adult Participants and Minor Athletes must be observable and interruptible.

In the MAAPP, there are multiple areas where exceptions have been built into the Required Prevention Policies to address common relationships and situations that occur throughout the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Movement. If an exception applies to a specific policy, it will be listed as a possible exception, along with any additional requirements. MAAPP Exceptions:

- Emergency
- Dual Relationship – the Adult Participant has an existing relationship with the Minor Athlete outside of the sport program
- Close-in-Age – the Adult Participant has no Authority over the Minor Athlete and is not more than four years older than the Minor Athlete
- Personal Care Assistant – The Adult Participant is a Personal Care Assistant and has met all the requirements



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In-Program Contact: For an interaction to be In-Program Contact, three components must be present: (1) Adult Participant, (2) Minor Athlete, and (3) An activity related to participation in sport.

WHAT IS AN ADULT PARTICIPANT? Any adult (18 years of age or older) who is:

- A member or license holder of an NGB, PSO, LAO, or USOPC;
- An employee or board member of an NGB, PSO, LAO, or USOPC;
- Within the governance or disciplinary jurisdiction of an NGB, PSO, LAO, or USOPC;
- Authorized, approved, or appointed by an NGB, PSO, LAO, or USOPC to have Regular Contact with or Authority over Minor Athletes.

WHAT IS AN MINOR ATHLETE PARTICIPANT? An amateur athlete under 18 years of age who participates in, or participated within the previous 12 months in, an event, program, activity, or competition that is part of, or partially or fully under the jurisdiction of, an NGB, PSO, USOPC, or LAO.

WHAT IS AN ACTIVITY RELATED TO PARTICIPATION IN SPORT? These activities could include but are NOT limited to: competitions, practices, camps/clinics, pre/post game or practice meals or outings, training/instructional sessions, team travel, review of film, strategy sessions, banquets, award banquets, teambuilding activities, community service, or sport education.



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EDUCATION & TRAINING

If you have Regular Contact with or Authority over a Minor Athlete, or if you are an employee or board member of an NGB, PSO, LAO or the USOPC, you are required to complete the SafeSport Trained Core and subsequent Refresher Courses.

- Regular Contact is defined as: ongoing interactions during a 12-month period wherein an Adult Participant is in a role of direct and active engagement with any Minor Athlete
- Position of Authority is defined as: when a person's position over another person is such that, based on the totality of the circumstances, they have the power or right to direct, control, give orders to, or make decisions for that person

ADULT PARTICIPANTS WHO ALSO ARE MEDICAL PROVIDERS OBLIGATED TO COMPLETE TRAINING CAN TAKE THE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS COURSE IN LIEU OF THE SAFESPORT TRAINED CORE.

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Adult Participants must complete training:

- Before Regular Contact with a Minor Athlete begins; and
- Within the first 45 days of initial membership or upon beginning a new role subjecting the adult to this policy

Note: this policy applies to athletes who turn 18 during the season and continue to play with athletes under 18. These athletes must complete SafeSport upon turning 18 (or shortly before with permission from a parent or guardian) and prior to contact with minor athletes.



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LOCKER ROOM SIGNAGE

THIS LOCKER ROOM IS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF USA FIELD HOCKEY AND IS MONITORED REGULARLY AND RANDOMLY.



**NO
PHOTOGRAPHS**



**NO
RECORDING DEVICES**



**ADULT PARTICIPANTS MUST NOT
CHANGE CLOTHES OR INTENTIONALLY
EXPOSE THEMSELVES**



**ADULT PARTICIPANTS MAY NOT
SHOWER WITH MINOR ATHLETES**

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