



Dual Relationships Minor Consent Forms

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What is a Dual Relationship?

The U.S. Center for SafeSport defines a dual relationship as an existing relationship between an Adult Participant and Minor Athlete outside of the sport program.

The definition is intentionally broad as to cover a wide array of relationships. This could apply to, but is not limited to, siblings, teachers, coaches, friends, and/or significant others.

Dual Relationship Consent Forms are not guaranteed to be approved; USAT has sole discretion to review and approve/deny the consent, regardless of Parent/Guardian authorization if it is determined that the relationship does not meet the Dual Relationship definition.

If you have questions or are unsure if you need to sign a Dual Relationship Consent Form for your Minor Athlete. Please contact TriSafe@usatriathlon.org and we can assist you with assessing the relationship

What if there is an emergency?

If there is an emergency, and your Minor Athlete requires immediate attention, transportation, etc., the one-on-one interactions policy does not need to be followed.

Dual Relationships: An exception applicable to certain policies when an Adult Participant has a dual role or relationship with a Minor Athlete and the Minor Athlete's parent/guardian has provided written consent at least annually authorizing the exception. If you have questions related to the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy (MAAPP), for example, what qualifies as In-Program contact, a Dual Relationship, or a Close-in-Age exception, please review USAT's MAAPP [here](#).

Adult Participant: An Adult Participant is any adult (18 years of age or older) who is:

1. A member of USA Triathlon;
2. An employee or board member of USA Triathlon or a USA Triathlon Club;
3. Within the governance of disciplinary jurisdiction of USA Triathlon or a USA Triathlon Club;
4. Authorized, approved, or appointed by USA Triathlon or a USA Triathlon Club to have regular contact with or authority over minors.

If you are the Parent/Guardian of the Minor Athlete, you do not need a consent form for yourself to transport your Minor Athlete.

Parents and legal guardians are encouraged to take the U.S. Center for SafeSport's education and training on child abuse prevention before providing consent for their Minor Athlete to have a dual relationship with an Adult Participant. This training is accessible [here](#). For more information, please contact trisafe@usatriathlon.org.





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Consent Form

I confirm that I, _____ (Full Name), am the parent or legal guardian of Minor Athlete, _____ (Full Name), who is a member or participant of USA Triathlon (USAT), and under the age of 18.

I acknowledge that I am providing consent pursuant to [USAT's SafeSport Policy Handbook](#) (Handbook). I acknowledge that USAT's Handbook contains provisions that are intended to prevent abuse and risks of harm. I acknowledge that I have been advised that prior to granting consent, I should complete the training entitled "Parent's Guide to Misconduct in Sport".

As the parent/guardian of the said Minor Athlete, I am advising USAT that the said Minor Athlete, under the age of 18, has a dual relationship with _____ (Adult Participant Name).

If approved, consents are as authorized as beginning on page 4.

Relationship Details:

DOB of Adult Participant: _____

Time Known: _____

Relationship: _____

Please provide a summary of relationship details:

Please be advised that the general consent forms are not available for one-on-one interactions, locker rooms, lodging-shared room (different from general lodging consent form) and electronic communications. If you would like to authorize and consent to any of these interactions for the said Minor Athlete, please continue to the next section.

☐ **Approved by USAT**

☐ **Denied by USAT**

Reason for Denial: _____

Name of Reviewer: _____

Signature of Reviewer: _____

Date: _____

