



VULS Vortex Ultimate - Player Conduct Policy

This policy defines for parents and players the expected behavior of all participants in the Vancouver Ultimate League Society's *Vortex Ultimate* program (the "Program"). This includes but is not limited to the BC Ultimate Championships, the Canadian Ultimate Championships, and all other practices, tournaments, games, exhibitions, demonstrations, seminars, camps and training sessions included in the Program.

Players are expected to follow this policy from the moment that a parent(s) or legal guardian(s) hands over custody of their child to the Program coach(es) and chaperones for the purpose of participating in the Program until said child is returned to the parent(s) or legal guardian(s). If a parent or legal guardian is a coach or chaperone then this policy should be followed once the coach or chaperone has taken responsibility of additional team members for the purpose of participating in the Program, and ends when all other team members under the care of the coach or chaperone have been returned to their parent(s) or legal guardian(s).

This form must be completed and submitted by players that wish to participate in the Program. If a player is under the age of 18 a parent or legal guardian must also sign the form.

Player Expectations

All players participating in the Program must represent the sport of ultimate and this program in a respectable manner at all times, both on and off the field of play. This includes at playing fields, at meals or gatherings during tournaments, in arranged accommodation, and generally when representing the Program, the VULS, and the sport of ultimate.

- Players will act in a manner that follows the *Spirit of the Game* on and off the field.
- Players must not break the law.
- Players are not permitted to consume alcohol, tobacco or illegal drugs nor may players be under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs.
- Players must not vandalize, deface, or permanently change the appearance of property.
- Players must not engage in any inappropriate sexual activity.
- Players must not create disturbances that negatively affect local residents, property or privacy. This includes late-night parties, offensive language, and indecent behavior.
- Players must follow the policies of any events they attend as part of participating in the Program.

All rules of conduct stated above are to be adhered to by all participants involved with a team representing the Program at any event wherever that event is held.



Repercussions

If any part(s) of this policy are not adhered to by the player, the VULS reserves the right to suspend the player from further involvement in part or all of the Program. This action may be taken by the Vortex Coordinators, the Youth Programs Manager, or another representative assigned by the Executive Director, and they may direct the suspended player to immediately leave all related facilities.

For tournaments away from home, this may result in the offending player(s) being sent home from the event at the expense of the player's family. Suspended players would remain the responsibility of the chaperones until they are on suitable transportation home (plane, bus, taxi, etc.)

Any junior player who is suspended risks being prohibited from participating in future events or programs under the jurisdiction of the VULS, including both junior and adult programs.

The Vortex Coordinators and Youth Programs Manager, in consultation with other coaches, chaperones, and event organizers, will determine the length of the suspension.

The Vortex Coordinators and Youth Programs Manager reserve the right to impose a suspension longer than one year of play based on the severity of the infraction.

Once the length of the suspension has expired, a player can apply to the Youth Programs Manager for reinstatement. This application must be made in writing.

A player may file an appeal of their suspension to the VULS Executive Director. This application must be made in writing.



I acknowledge that I have read the VULS Vortex Player Conduct Policy. By signing this form, I understand that I am required to adhere to all expectations stated in this policy. I am also aware of possible repercussions if any of the policy expectations are not met.

Athlete's Full Name: _____

Athlete's Signature

Date

Team Name: _____

Event(s) to be Attended: _____

Dates of Event(s): _____

I acknowledge that I have read the VULS Vortex Player Conduct Policy. By signing this form, I am stating that I am aware that my son/daughter is required to adhere to all expectations stated in this policy. I am also aware of possible repercussions if any of the policy expectations are not met.

Parent's Full Name: _____

Parent's signature (if athlete is under 18 years old)

Date