



Safe Sport 101



Increase awareness to reduce the risk of abuse



101 GOALS

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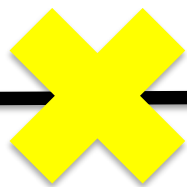
- The Safe Sport program, why it was developed
- What the program consists of
- Your role within the program
- How you can make a difference



SAFE SPORT MISSION

USA Swimming is committed to safeguarding the well-being of all its members, with the welfare of its athlete members as top priority.







What We See

- ✓ Peer-Peer Bullying
- ✓ Coach-Athlete Bullying
- ✓ Coach/Parent, Parent/Coach Conflict
- ✓ Boundary Violations
- ✓ Inappropriate Communication
- ✓ Physical Abuse
- ✓ Sexual Abuse



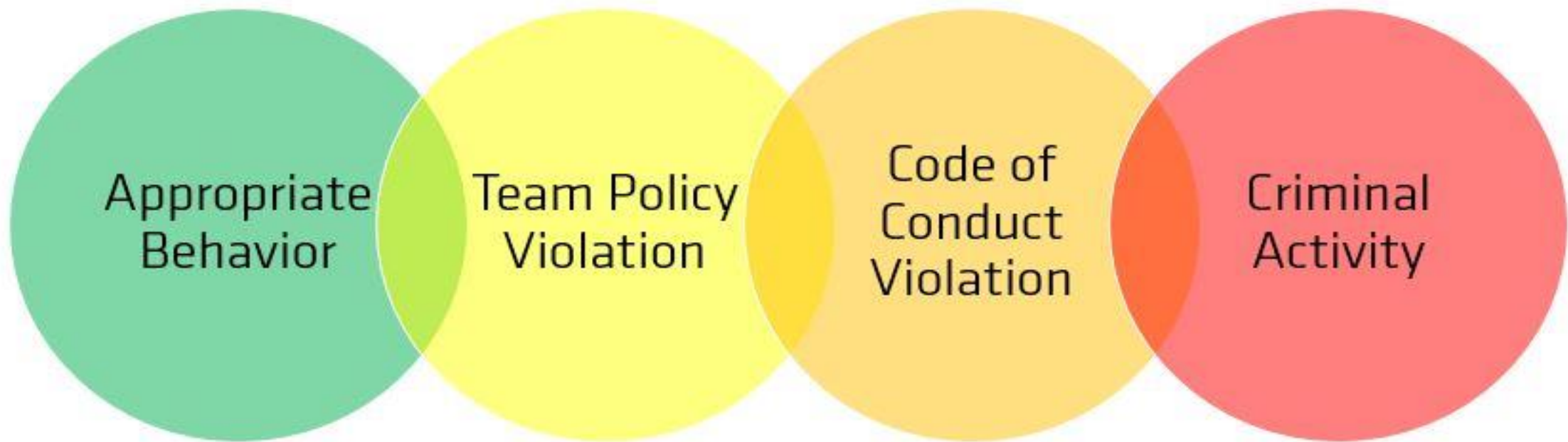
What We Do

Prevention

- ✓ Online & In Person Training
- ✓ Club Resources
- ✓ Volunteer Engagement
- ✓ Model Policies & Processes

Response

- ✓ Club Advice & Consultation
- ✓ Case Management
- ✓ Disciplinary Proceedings



Reinforce appropriate behavior to encourage a positive environment on the team.

Reinforce the team policies.
Increase monitoring and supervision.
Communicate with team and parents.

Contact Safe Sport.
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Take steps to restore a safe environment.

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Report to law enforcement.
Communicate with team and parents.
Take steps to restore a safe environment.





Your role

- Be a face and voice for Safe Sport
- Engage your LSC in Safe Sport activities
- Communicate with HQ



How to do Safe Sport

1. Commit
 - Be intentional. *Policies and personnel*
2. Learn
 - Know the risks. *Teach and train others*
3. Protect
 - Tend to your culture. *Correct problematic behavior and reinforce the good*
 - Have the conversation. *Formally and informally, practice responding*
4. Talk



Resources:

- Staff
- Zone Coordinators
- Other LSC Chairs
- Fellows
- Workshops and Events
- Website
- Materials
- Online Education
- Social Media

CLUB TOOLKIT



Find tools, resources, and model guides here to help establish a Safe Sport environment on your team.

[POLICIES AND GUIDELINES >](#)

Use the model policies and guidelines as a template to customize documents that work for your team. The three required team policies that each USA Swimming member club must have are Team Travel, Electronic Communication, and Anti-Bullying.

[TEAM RESOURCES >](#)

Cultivating a safe sport culture on your team means establishing clear expectations and communication structures and creating an environment of positive support. Use the following tools to implement safe sport at all levels of your club.

[SAFE SPORT AT EVENTS >](#)

Implementing a safe sport environment at events can be simple using the following documents. These resources are designed for meet hosts, referees, and event organizers.

[ART TEMPLATES >](#)

Use the Materials Order Form to order items from USA Swimming HQ, or use the following items to print your own Safe Sport materials. Contact Paula D'Amico (pdamico@usaswimming.org) with questions about the art templates.



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Key Programs

- LSC Chairs Workshops (2 per year)
- Committee Task Forces
- Safe Sport Athlete Fellowship
- USA Swimming LEARN
- Safe Sport Leadership Conference (odd years)
- Case Management and Consultation Services



USAS Convention

Have more questions?

Need to discuss a concern or issue?

Looking for Safe Sport information or promotional materials?

Visit us at the Safe Sport booth in the exhibition hall.

Staffed Tuesday-Friday—Available for individual consultation