

# Squash PEI Safe Sport Policy

#### **Definitions**

- 1. The following terms have these meanings in this Policy:
  - a) "Individuals" All categories of membership defined in the Squash PEI Bylaws, as well as all individuals engaged in activities with Squash PEI, but not limited to, athletes, coaches, mission staff, chefs de mission, officials, volunteers, committee members, parents or guardians, and Directors and Officers.

#### **Purpose**

2. The purpose of this policy is to confirm Squash PEI's commitment to ensuring a safe sport environment for all Individuals involved within Squash PEI. Individuals have a right to participate in a safe and inclusive training and competitive environment free of abuse, harassment or discrimination.

### **Application of this Policy**

3. This Policy applies to all Individuals defined above.

### Responsibilities

- 4. Squash PEI commits to implementing education, policies and procedures to minimize risk within its sporting environment.
- 5. Squash PEI will:
  - a) Ensure that all coaches employed, contracted or appointed by Squash PEI are accredited and licensed coaches and have been approved in accordance with Squash PEI's Screening Policy.
  - b) Ensure that all parties engaged on behalf of Squash PEI are aware of their duties and obligations to report to Squash PEI on a timely basis any issues or potential violations of Squash PEI policies relating to conduct.
  - c) Ensure that all communications (email, written or text) are shared with a minor athlete's legal guardian.
  - d) Ensure that all in-person interactions between a Squash PEI representative and an athlete will occur in the presence, or close presence, of another individual, except in the case of a medical emergency.
  - e) Ensure written consent of a minor athlete is obtained from the minor athlete's legal guardian in the case of one-on-one travel.
  - f) Ensure that all policies are consistent with the long-term athlete development strategy.

- g) Establish and approve the following policies in order to support the safe sport environment:
  - i. Code of Conduct Policy
  - ii. Discipline and Complaints Policy
  - iii. Alternate Dispute Resolution
    - Policy
  - iv. Appeal Policy
  - v. Whistleblower Policy
  - vi. Screening Policy
  - vii. Inclusion Policy (Gender Equity and Access Policy)
  - viii. Official Languages Policy
  - ix. Conflict of Interest Policy
  - x. Privacy Policy

## **Notification of Complaints**

- 6. All Squash PEI representatives, including coaches and related personnel, will report any suspected breach of Squash PEI's policies on a timely basis. Any other Individual may also report any such alleged breach of Squash PEI's policies.
- 7. Squash PEI will report any and all complaints as required by legislation to the appropriate bodies.

Approval Date: