

## 2022 SAFESPORT NEED TO KNOW

To keep children safe from abuse in their sport activities, CIRA has adopted the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies (MAAPP). These policies are required for all Organizations affiliated with US Rowing.

The MAAPP outlines training requirements and limits one-on-one interactions between Adult Participants and Minor Athletes. An Adult Participant is defined as someone 18 years of age or older who (1) has regular contact with Minor Athletes, or (2) is authorized by CIRA to have regular contact with authority over a Minor Athlete, or (3) is an adult athlete, or (4) is an adult staff member, intern or board member of CIRA.

### BE AWARE OF THESE POLICIES ORIENTED TOWARD KEEPING KIDS SAFE:

- All one-on-one In-Program contact between an Adult Participant and a Minor Athlete must be observable and interruptible, except in emergency circumstances.
- One-on-one, In-Program, individual training sessions must be observable and interruptible.
- All one-on-one electronic communications between an Adult Participant and a Minor Athlete or team, must be professional, open, and transparent. The Adult Participant must copy another Adult Participant or adult family member of the Minor Athlete(s).
- Only platforms that allow for open and transparent communication may be used to communicate with Minor Athletes. TeamSnap or CCYR & CCMR Facebook should be the preferred platforms for communication. Use of individual phones, Facebook and Instagram personal accounts is prohibited.
- An Adult Participant cannot transport a Minor Athlete one-on-one during In-Program travel unless the Adult Participant has advance, written consent from the Minor Athlete's parent/guardian.
- Adult Participants should not have out-of-program contact with a Minor Athlete without legal, parent/guardian consent, except if close-in-age or dual relationships exist.
- Adult Participants should not give personal gifts to a Minor Athlete except if close-in-age or dual relationships exist.
- CCYR must provide a private or semi-private place for Minor Athletes that need to change clothes or undress at Regattas, or facilities partially or fully under the US Rowing or CIRA jurisdiction.
- Photographs or videos of athletes may only be taken in public view and observe generally accepted standards of decency. Photos should not be publicly shared or posted without the Minor Athlete's and Parent/Guardian consent.

We encourage parents/guardians and Minor Athletes to take the US Rowing free, age-appropriate online training and to report any concern about abuse or misconduct to the CIRA Safety Committee. Training and guidelines for reporting sexual abuse or non-sexual abuse can be found at our website

<https://www.capeandislandsrowing.com/safety/> or the youth program site at

<https://capecodyouthrowing.org/about-ccyr/cira-safety-guide/>

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