



MINOR ATHLETE ABUSE PREVENTION POLICIES

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## **SCOPE**

### **The MAAPP Applies to “In-Program Contact” Within the Olympic & Paralympic Movement**

The MAAPP is required for the U.S. Olympic & Paralympic Committee (USOPC), National Governing Bodies (NGB), Local Affiliated Organizations (LAO), and Paralympic Sport Organizations (PSO) within the Olympic & Paralympic Movement (each an “Organization”).

Some policies impose requirements on Organizations at sanctioned events and facilities partially or fully under the Organization’s jurisdiction. For example, Organizations must monitor locker rooms at their facilities and sanctioned events. Other policies impose certain requirements on Adult Participants under the Organization’s jurisdiction when the Adult Participant is having “In-Program Contact.” For example, Adult Participants cannot have one-on-one electronic communications with Minor Athletes that they coach.

### **Who is a Minor Athlete?**

A **Minor Athlete** is an amateur athlete under 18 years of age who participates in, or participated within the previous 12 months in, an event, program, activity, or competition that is part of, or partially or fully under the jurisdiction of USA Archery or under the jurisdiction of a USA Archery State Associations or Club (LAO).

**Partial or Full Jurisdiction:** Includes any sanctioned event (including all travel and lodging in connection with the event) by USA Archery, or any facility that USA Archery or LAO owns, leases, or rents for practice, training, or competition.

### **Who is an Adult Participant?**

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

1. A member of USA Archery;
2. An employee or board member of USA Archery or LAO;
3. Within the governance or disciplinary jurisdiction of USA Archery or LAO;

4. Authorized, approved, or appointed by USA Archery or LAO to have regular contact with or authority over Minor Athletes.<sup>1</sup>

### **What is In-Program Contact?**

In-Program Contact includes sanctioned events and facilities, but it also applies more broadly to sport-related interactions. **The MAAPP defines “In-Program Contact” as:**

*Any contact (including communications, interactions, or activities) between an Adult Participant and any Minor Athlete(s) related to participation in sport.*

Examples of in-program contact include, but are not limited to: competition, practices, camps/clinics, training/instructional sessions, pre/post game meals or outings, team travel, review of game film, team- or sport-related relationship building activities, celebrations, award ceremonies, banquets, team- or sport-related fundraising or community service, sport education, or competition site visits.

### **Does the MAAPP Have Any Exceptions?**

Yes. The MAAPP was written with certain appropriate exceptions in mind. Exceptions are addressed in each policy and include:

1. A Close-in-Age Exception

This exception applies to certain policies and allows for In-Program Contact between an Adult Participant and a Minor Athlete if:

- a. The Adult Participant has no authority over the Minor Athlete; and
- b. The Adult Participant is not more than four years older than the Minor Athlete.

***Note: This exception is different than the close-in-age exception in the [SafeSport Code](#) pertaining to misconduct.***

2. Exceptions for Adult Participant Personal Care Assistants Working with a Minor Athlete

3. Exceptions for Dual Relationships

This exception applies to certain policies when the Adult Participant has a dual role or

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<sup>1</sup> This may include volunteers, medical staff, trainers, chaperones, monitors, contract personnel, bus/van drivers, officials, adult athletes, staff, board members, and any other individual who meets the Adult Participant definition.

relationship with a Minor Athlete. The exception requires written consent of the Minor Athlete's parent/guardian at least annually.

Many of the exceptions require parent/guardian consent. The Center recommends parents take training on child abuse prevention before providing consent under these policies. The Center offers a free Parent Course at [www.athletesafety.org](http://www.athletesafety.org).

### **Am I required to take SafeSport Training?**

Certain Adult Participants within the Olympic & Paralympic Movement who have (i) regular contact with Minor Athletes, (ii) authority over Minor Athletes, or (iii) are employees or board members of the USOPC, NGBs, PSOs, or LAOs, are required to take training. The specific training requirements can be found in Part I.

**PART I  
EDUCATION & TRAINING POLICY**

**A. Mandatory Child Abuse Prevention Training for Adult Participants**

1. Adult Participants Required to Complete Training

- a. The following Adult Participants must complete the *SafeSport Trained Core* either through the Center’s online training or the Center’s approved, in-person training:
  - i. Adult Participants who have regular contact with any amateur athlete(s) who is a minor;
  - ii. Adult Participants who have authority over any amateur athlete(s) who is a minor;
  - iii. Adult Participants who are an employee or board member of USA Archery or LAO.
- b. Adult Participants who are medical providers that USAA contracts with to provide medical and/or mental health services are required to take training under Section (a) above may take the Health Professionals Course in lieu of the *SafeSport Trained Core*.

**CHART OF ADULT PARTICIPANTS**

<b>ADULT PARTICIPANTS</b>	<b>REGULAR CONTACT</b>	<b>AUTHORITY</b>
NGB/LAO EMPLOYEES		X
NGB/LAO BOARD MEMBERS		X
COACHES, TEAM LEADERS AND PARA ATHLETE ASSISTANTS	X	X
JUDGES	X	X
VOLUNTEERS WITH REGULAR CONTACT (e.g. registration check/in, field crew, range assistants, scoring team etc.)	X	
CONTRACTED MEDICAL PERSONNEL (volunteer event medics excluded)	X	
CONTRACTORS/VENDORS WITH REGULAR CONTACT (i.e. equipment maintenance technicians, scoring team, etc.)	X	

ADULT ATHLETES WITH REGULAR CONTACT (e.g. National or International Team Members and Camp Participants over Age 18)	X	
MEDIA WITH REGULAR and UNSUPERVISED CONTACT	X	

\*NOTE: USA Archery may require other individuals to also complete the U.S. Center for SafeSport training if they are determined to be in a position of authority or have regular contact.

2. Timing of Training

Adult Participants must complete this training:

- a. Before regular contact with an amateur athlete who is a minor begins; **and**
- b. Within the first 45 days of either initial membership or upon beginning a new role subjecting the adult to this policy.

3. Refresher Training

The above listed Adult Participants must complete a refresher course on an annual basis, beginning the calendar year after completing the *SafeSport Trained Core*. Every four years, Adult Participants will complete the *SafeSport Trained Core* training. Medical providers can take the Health Professionals Course in lieu of the *SafeSport Trained Core* and are required to take the refresher courses on an annual basis if they meet the criteria for A(1).

**B. Minor Athlete Training Must Be Offered**

1. USA Archery and each LAO, on an annual basis, must offer and, subject to parental consent, give training to Minor Athletes on the prevention and reporting of child abuse.
2. The Center offers youth courses, located at [www.athletesafety.org](http://www.athletesafety.org), that meet this requirement.

**C. Parent Training Must Be Offered**

1. USA Archery and each LAO, on an annual basis, must offer training to parents on the prevention and reporting of child abuse.
2. The Center offers a parent course, located at [www.athletesafety.org](http://www.athletesafety.org), that meets this requirement.

#### **D. Optional Training**

1. Adult Participants serving in a volunteer capacity, who will not have regular contact with or authority over Minor Athletes, should take the Center's brief Volunteer Course (or *SafeSport Trained Core*) before engaging or interacting with any Minor Athlete(s).
2. USA Archery may provide training *in addition to* the *SafeSport Trained Core*, although they cannot refer to this training as "SafeSport" training. **Training other than the *SafeSport Trained Core* or Refresher does not satisfy this policy.**
3. Parents of Minor Athletes are provided free online access to the Center's parent course and are encouraged to take the training.

#### **E. Exemptions and Accommodations**

1. Exemptions from this Education & Training Policy may be made on a case-by-case basis for victims/survivors. Requests may be made directly to the U.S. Center for SafeSport at [exemptions@safesport.org](mailto:exemptions@safesport.org).
2. The Center will work with USA Archery on appropriate accommodations for persons with disabilities and individuals with limited English proficiency to satisfy these training requirements. USA Archery and each LAO will provide reasonable accommodations and track any exemptions for individuals with disabilities and individuals with limited English proficiency.



## PART II

### REQUIRED POLICIES FOR ONE-ON-ONE INTERACTIONS

The U.S. Center for SafeSport recognizes that youth-adult relationships can be healthy and valuable for development. Policies on one-on-one interactions protect children while allowing for these beneficial relationships. As child sexual abuse is often perpetrated in isolated, one-on-one situations, it is critical that organizations limit such interactions between youth and adults and implement programs that reduce the risk of sexual abuse.

#### A. ONE-ON-ONE INTERACTIONS

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1. Observable and Interruptible
  - a. All one-on-one In-Program Contact between an Adult Participant and a Minor Athlete must be observable and interruptible, except in emergency circumstances.
  - b. The exceptions below may apply to specific policies, and if the exceptions apply, they are listed in the policy. These exceptions also apply to all one-on-one In-Program Contact not specifically addressed in other policies:
    - i. When a Dual Relationship exists; or
    - ii. When the Close-in-Age Exception applies; or
    - iii. If a Minor Athlete needs a Personal Care Assistant, and:
      - (1) the Minor Athlete's parent/guardian has provided written consent to USA Archery or LAO for the Adult Participant Personal Care Assistant to work with the Minor Athlete; and
      - (2) the Adult Participant Personal Care Assistant has complied with the Education & Training Policy; and
      - (3) the Adult Participant Personal Care Assistant has complied with [USA Archery's policy](#); or
    - iv. In other circumstances specifically addressed in this policy that allow for certain one-on-one interactions if USA Archery or LAO receives parent/guardian consent.

## **B. MEETINGS AND TRAINING SESSIONS**

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### **1. Observable and Interruptible**

Adult Participants must follow the one-on-one interaction policy in all meetings and training sessions where Minor Athlete(s) are present.

### **2. Individual Training Sessions**

a. One-on-one, In-Program, individual training sessions must be observable and interruptible except if:

- i. A Dual Relationship exists; or
- ii. The Close-in-Age Exception applies; or
- iii. A Minor Athlete needs a Personal Care Assistant, and:
  - (1) the Minor Athlete's parent/guardian has provided written consent to USA Archery or LAO for the Adult Participant Personal Care Assistant to work with the Minor Athlete; and
  - (2) the Adult Participant Personal Care Assistant has complied with the Education & Training Policy; and
  - (3) the Adult Participant Personal Care Assistant has complied with [USA Archery's policy](#).

b. The Adult Participant providing the individual training session must receive advance, written consent from the Minor Athlete's parent/guardian at least annually, which can be withdrawn at any time; and

c. Parents/guardians must be allowed to observe the individual training session.

### **3. Meetings with licensed mental health care professionals and health care providers (other than athletic trainers<sup>2</sup>)**

If a licensed mental health care professional or licensed health care provider meets one-on-one with a Minor Athlete at a sanctioned event or a facility, which is partially or fully under USA Archery's or LAO jurisdiction, the meeting must be observable and interruptible except:

- a. If the door remains unlocked; and
- b. Another adult is present at the facility and notified that a meeting is occurring, although the Minor Athlete's identity needs not be disclosed; and
- c. USA Archery or LAO is notified that the provider will be meeting with a Minor Athlete; and

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<sup>2</sup> Athletic trainers who are covered under these policies must follow the "Athletic Training Modalities, Massages, and Rubdowns" policy.

- d. The provider obtains consent consistent with applicable laws and ethical standards, which can be withdrawn at any time.

#### 4. Recommended Training

##### Parent Training

Parents/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 meeting or training session with an Adult Participant subject to these policies.

## **C. ATHLETIC TRAINING MODALITIES, MESSAGES, AND RUBDOWNS**

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### **1. Athletic training modality, massage, or rubdown**

All In-Program athletic training modalities, massages, or rubdowns of a Minor Athlete must:

- a. Be observable and interruptible; and
  - b. Have another Adult Participant physically present for the athletic training modality, massage, or rubdown; and
  - c. Have documented consent as explained in subsection (2) below; and
  - d. Be performed with the Minor Athlete fully or partially clothed, ensuring that the breasts, buttocks, groin, or genitals are always covered; and
  - e. Allow parents/guardians in the room as an observer, except for competition or training venues that limit credentialing.
  - f. When possible, techniques should be used to reduce physical touch of Minor Athletes.
  - g. Only licensed providers can administer a massage, rubdown, or athletic training modality.
  - h. Coaches, regardless of whether they are licensed massage therapists, must not massage Minor Athletes.
2. Consent
- a. Providers of athletic training modalities, massages, and rubdowns, USA Archery or LAO, when applicable, must obtain consent at least annually from Minor Athletes' parents/guardians before providing any athletic training modalities, massages, or rubdowns.
  - b. Minor Athletes or their parents/guardians can withdraw consent at any time.

## **D. LOCKER ROOMS AND CHANGING AREAS**

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### **1. Observable and Interruptible**

Adult Participants must ensure that all In-Program Contact with Minor Athlete(s) in a locker room, changing area, or similar space where Minor Athlete(s) are present is observable and interruptible, except if:

- a. A Dual Relationship exists; or
- b. The Close-in-Age Exception applies; or

- c. A Minor Athlete needs a Personal Care Assistant and:
      - i. the Minor Athlete’s parent/guardian has provided written consent to USA Archery or LAO for the Adult Participant Personal Care Assistant to work with the Minor Athlete; and
      - ii. the Adult Participant Personal Care Assistant has complied with the Education & Training Policy; and
      - iii. the Adult Participant Personal Care Assistant has complied with [USA Archery’s policy](#).
2. Conduct in Locker Rooms, Changing Areas, and Similar Spaces
  - a. No Adult Participant or Minor Athlete can use the photographic or recording capabilities of any device in locker rooms, changing areas, or any other area designated as a place for changing clothes or undressing.
  - b. Adult Participants must not change clothes or behave in a manner that intentionally or recklessly exposes their breasts, buttocks, groins, or genitals to a Minor Athlete.
  - c. Adult Participants must not shower with Minor Athletes unless:
    - i. The Adult Participant meets the Close-in-Age Exception; or
    - ii. The shower is part of a pre- or post-activity rinse while wearing swimwear.
  - d. Parents/guardians may request in writing that their Minor Athlete(s) not change or shower with Adult Participant(s) during In-Program Contact. USA Archery and/or the LAO and the Adult Participant(s) must abide by this request.
3. Media and Championship Celebrations in Locker Rooms

USA Archery or LAO may permit recording or photography in locker rooms for the purpose of highlighting a sport or athletic accomplishment if:

  - i. Parent/legal guardian consent has been obtained; and
  - ii. USA Archery or LAO approves the specific instance of recording or photography; and
  - iii. Two or more Adult Participants are present; and
  - iv. Everyone is fully clothed.
4. Personal Care Assistants

Adult Participant Personal Care Assistants are permitted to be with and assist Minor Athlete(s) in locker rooms, changing areas, and similar spaces where other Minor Athletes are present, if they meet the requirements in subsection (1)(a)(iii) above.
5. Availability and Monitoring of Locker Rooms, Changing Areas, and Similar Spaces

- a. USA Archery or LAO must provide a private or semi-private place for Minor Athletes that need to change clothes or undress at sanctioned events or facilities partially or fully under USA Archery's or LAO's jurisdiction.
- b. USA Archery or LAO must monitor the use of locker rooms, changing areas, and similar spaces to ensure compliance with these policies at sanctioned events or facilities partially or fully under USA Archery's or LAO's jurisdiction.

## E. ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS<sup>3</sup>

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### 1. Open and Transparent

- a. All one-on-one electronic communications between an Adult Participant and a Minor Athlete must be Open and Transparent except:
  - i. When a Dual Relationship exists; or
  - ii. When the Close-in-Age Exception applies; or
  - iii. If a Minor Athlete needs a Personal Care Assistant and:
    - (1) the Minor Athlete's parent/guardian has provided written consent to USA Archery or LAO for the Adult Participant Personal Care Assistant to work with the Minor Athlete; and
    - (2) the Adult Participant Personal Care Assistant has complied with the Education & Training Policy; and
    - (3) the Adult Participant Personal Care Assistant has complied with [USA Archery's policy](#).
- b. Open and Transparent means that the Adult Participant copies or includes the Minor Athlete's parent/guardian, another adult family member of the Minor Athlete, or another Adult Participant.
  - If a Minor Athlete communicates with the Adult Participant first, the Adult Participant must follow this policy if the Adult Participant responds.
- c. Only platforms that allow for Open and Transparent communication may be used to communicate with Minor Athletes.

### 2. Team Communication

When an Adult Participant communicates electronically to the entire team or any number of Minor Athletes on the team, the Adult Participant must copy or include another Adult Participant or the Minor Athletes' parents/guardians.

### 3. Content

All electronic communication originating from an Adult Participant(s) to a Minor Athlete(s) must be professional in nature unless an exception in (1)(a) exists.

### 4. Requests to discontinue

Parents/guardians may request in writing that the Organization or an Adult Participant subject to this policy not contact their Minor Athlete through any form of electronic

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<sup>3</sup> Electronic communications include, but are not limited to: phone calls, videoconferencing, video coaching, texting, and social media.

communication. USA Archery and/or LAO and the Adult Participant must abide by any request to discontinue, absent emergency circumstances.



## **F. TRANSPORTATION**

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### **1. Transportation**

- a. An Adult Participant cannot transport a Minor Athlete one-on-one during In-Program travel, except if:
  - i. A Dual Relationship exists; or
  - ii. The Close-in-Age Exception applies; or
  - iii. A Minor Athlete needs a Personal Care Assistant and:
    - (1) the Minor Athlete's parent/guardian has provided written consent to USA Archery or LAO for the Adult Participant Personal Care Assistant to work with the Minor Athlete; and
    - (2) the Adult Participant Personal Care Assistant has complied with the Education & Training Policy; and
    - (3) the Adult Participant Personal Care Assistant has complied with [USA Archery's policy](#); or
  - iv. The Adult Participant has advance, written consent to transport the Minor Athlete one-on-one obtained at least annually from the Minor Athlete's parent/guardian.
- b. Minor Athlete(s) or their parent/guardian can withdraw consent at any time.
- c. An Adult Participant meets the In-Program transportation requirements if the Adult Participant is accompanied by another Adult Participant or at least two minors.
- d. Written consent from a Minor Athlete's parent/guardian is required for all transportation sanctioned by USA Archery or LAO at least annually.

### **2. Recommended Training**

#### **Parent Training**

Parents/guardians are encouraged to take the U.S. Center for SafeSport education and training on child abuse prevention before providing consent for their Minor Athlete to travel one-on-one with an Adult Participant.

## G. LODGING

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### 1. Hotel Rooms and Other Sleeping Arrangements

- a. All In-Program Contact at a hotel or lodging site between an Adult Participant and a Minor Athlete must be observable and interruptible, and an Adult Participant cannot share a hotel room or otherwise sleep in the same room with a Minor Athlete(s), except if:
  - i. A Dual Relationship Exists, and the Minor Athlete's parent/guardian has provided USA Archery or LAO with advance, written consent for the lodging arrangement;
  - ii. The Close-in-Age Exception applies, and the Minor Athlete's parent/guardian has provided USA Archery or LAO with advance, written consent for the lodging arrangement; or
  - iii. The Minor Athlete needs a Personal Care Assistant, and:
    - (1) The Minor Athlete's parent/guardian has provided advance, written consent to USA Archery or LAO for the Adult Participant Personal Care Assistant to work with the Minor Athlete and for the lodging arrangement;
    - (2) The Adult Participant Personal Care Assistant has complied with the Education & Training Policy; and
    - (3) The Adult Participant Personal Care Assistant has complied with [USA Archery's policy](#).
- b. Written consent from a Minor Athlete's parent/guardian must be obtained for all In-Program lodging at least annually.

### 2. Monitoring or Room Checks During In-Program Travel

If USA Archery, LAO or team performs room checks during In-Program lodging, the one-on-one interaction policy must be followed and at least two adults must be present for the room checks.

### 3. Additional Requirements for Lodging Authorized or Funded by the Organization

- a. Adult Participants traveling with USA Archery or LAO must agree to and sign USA Archery's consent form at least annually.
- b. Adult Participants that travel overnight with Minor Athlete(s) are assumed to have Authority over Minor Athlete(s) and thus must comply with the Center's Education & Training Policy.

4. Recommended Training

Parent Training

Parents/guardians are encouraged to take the U.S. Center for SafeSport's education and training on child abuse prevention before providing consent for lodging arrangements under this policy.

**PART III**  
**OTHER RECOMMENDED POLICIES FOR KEEPING YOUNG ATHLETES SAFE**

**A. Gifting**

1. Adult Participants, who do not meet the Close-in-Age Exception nor have a Dual Relationship with a Minor Athlete, should not give personal gifts to Minor Athlete(s).
2. Gifts that are equally distributed to all athletes and serve a motivational or education purpose are permitted.

**B. Photography/Video**

1. Photographs or videos of athletes may only be taken in public view and must observe generally accepted standards of decency.
2. Adult Participants should not publicly share or post photos or videos of Minor Athlete(s) if the Adult Participant has not obtained the Parent/Guardian and Minor Athlete's consent.

## TERMINOLOGY

**Adult Participant:** Any adult (18 years of age or older) who is:

- a. A member of USA Archery, a USA Archery State Association or a USA Archery Club;
- b. An employee or board member of USA Archery, a USA Archery State Association or USA Archery Club;
- c. Within the governance or disciplinary jurisdiction of USA Archery, a USA Archery State Association or a USA Archery Club;
- d. Authorized, approved, or appointed by USA Archery, a USA Archery State Association or a USA Archery Club to have regular contact with or authority over Minor Athletes.<sup>4</sup>

Adult Participants Include:

- USA Archery Employees
- USA Archery members age 18 and older
- Individuals USAA formally authorizes or appoints to (a) serve in a position of authority over, or (b) have frequent contact with athletes. This shall include, but not be limited to staff, volunteers, coaches, instructors, judges, administrators, board members, trainers, medical personnel and local affiliated administrators/directors.
- Assistants, or personal care assistants who are funded, have a contractual obligation with, or are credentialed by USAA, or otherwise have regular contact with USAA athletes.
- All athletes and alternates, training partners, and guides who are selected by USAA to participate in national or international teams or Delegation Events.
- All athletes and alternates, training partners, and guides that are selected by USAA to train at any Olympic & Paralympic Training Center or USOPC High Performance Training Center.
- Individuals affiliated with the media who are authorized or credentialed by USAA to access a training site or attend a competition run by USAA if such individual has unsupervised one-on-one interactions with athletes.
- Other individuals who have regular contact with athletes as determined by USAA, in its sole discretion and/or as required by USOPC.

**Amateur Athlete:** An athlete who meets the eligibility standards established by the National Governing Body or Paralympic Sport Organization for the sport in which the athlete competes.

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<sup>4</sup> This may include volunteers, medical staff, trainers, chaperones, monitors, contract personnel, bus/van drivers, officials, adult athletes, staff, board members, and any other individual who meets the Adult Participant definition.

**Authority:** When one person's position over another person is such that, based on the totality of the circumstances, they have the power or right to direct, control, give orders to, or make decisions for that person. Also see the [Power Imbalance definition in the SafeSport Code](#).

**Close-in-Age Exception:** An exception applicable to certain policies when an Adult Participant does not have authority over a Minor Athlete *and* is not more than four years older than the Minor Athlete (e.g., a 19-year-old and a 16-year-old). Note: this exception *only* applies within the prevention policies and *not* regarding conduct defined in the SafeSport Code.

**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.

**In-Program Contact:** Any contact (including communications, interactions, or activities) between an Adult Participant and any Minor Athlete(s) related to participation in sport.

Examples of In-Program Contact include, but are not limited to: competition, practices, camps/clinics, training/instructional sessions, pre/post game meals or outings, team travel, review of game film, team- or sport-related relationship building activities, celebrations, award ceremonies, banquets, team- or sport-related fundraising or community service, sport education, or competition site visits.

**Local Affiliated Organization (LAO):** A regional, state, or local club or organization that is directly affiliated with an NGB or that is affiliated with an NGB by its direct affiliation with a regional or state affiliate of said NGB. LAO does not include a regional, state, or local club or organization that is only a member of a National Member Organization of an NGB.

**Minor Athlete:** An Amateur Athlete under 18 years of age who participates in, or participated within the previous 12 months in, an event, program, activity, or competition that is part of, or partially or fully under the jurisdiction of, an NGB, PSO, USOPC, or LAO.

**Partial or Full Jurisdiction:** Includes any sanctioned event (including all travel and lodging in connection with the event) by the NGB, PSO, USOPC, or LAO, or any facility that the NGB, PSO, USOPC, or LAO owns, leases, or rents for practice, training or competition.

**National Governing Body (NGB):** A U.S. Olympic National Governing Body, Pan American Sport Organization, or Paralympic Sport Organization recognized by the U.S. Olympic &

Paralympic Committee pursuant to the Ted Stevens Olympic and Amateur Sports Act, 36 U.S.C. §§ 220501, et seq. This definition shall also apply to the USOPC, or other sports entity approved by the USOPC, when they have assumed responsibility for the management or governance of a sport included on the program of the Olympic, Paralympic, or Pan-American Games.

**Adult Participant Personal Care Assistant:** An Adult Participant who assists an athlete requiring help with activities of daily living (ADL) and preparation for athletic participation. This support can be provided by a Guide for Blind or visually impaired athletes or can include assistance with transfer, dressing, showering, medication administration, and toileting. Personal Care Assistants are different for every athlete and should be individualized to fit their specific needs. When assisting a Minor Athlete, Adult Participant PCAs must be authorized by the athlete's parent/guardian.

**Paralympic Sport Organization (PSO):** an amateur sports organization recognized and certified as an NGB by the USOPC.

**Regular Contact:** Ongoing interactions during a 12-month period wherein an Adult Participant is in a role of direct and active engagement with any Minor Athlete(s). Adult athletes who are appointed to the United States Archery Team (USAT), an international team or USA Archery camp will be considered to have "regular contact". For all other Adult Participants, please refer to the chart in Part 1 to determine if you have been deemed to have regular contact.

**U.S. Olympic & Paralympic Committee (USOPC):** A federally chartered nonprofit corporation that serves as the National Olympic Committee and National Paralympic Committee for the United States.

## APPENDIX A

### ORGANIZATIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR EDUCATION & TRAINING AND PREVENTION POLICIES

USA Archery (the “Organization”) must implement proactive policies designed to prevent abuse. These organizational requirements are described below.

#### A. Organizational Requirements for Education & Training

1. USA Archery must track whether Adult Participants under its jurisdiction complete the required training listed in Part I.
2. USA Archery must, on an annual basis, offer and, subject to parental consent, give training to Minor Athletes on the prevention and reporting of child abuse.
  - a. For training to Minor Athletes, the Organization must track a description of the training and how the training was offered and provided to Minor Athletes.
  - b. USA Archery is not required to track individual course completions of Minor Athletes.
3. USA Archery must, on an annual basis, offer training to parents on the prevention and reporting of child abuse.

#### B. Required Prevention Policies and Implementation

1. USA Archery must develop minor athlete abuse prevention policies that contain the mandatory components of the Center’s model policies in Part II. These model policies cover:
  - a. One-on-one interactions
  - b. Meetings and training sessions
  - c. Athletic training modalities, massages, and rubdowns
  - d. Locker rooms and changing areas
  - e. Electronic communications
  - f. Transportation
  - g. Lodging



2. The policies must be approved by the Center as described in subsection (C) below. The policies may include the recommended components in Part II as well as other recommended policies. Given the uniqueness of each sport, however, some recommended components or policies may not be feasible or appropriate. An Organization may choose to implement stricter standards than the model policies.
3. USA Archery must also require that its State Associations and Clubs (LAOs) implement these policies.
4. USA Archery and LAOs must implement these policies for all In-Program Contact.
  - a. At sanctioned events and facilities partially or fully under its jurisdiction, the organization must take steps to ensure the policies are implemented and followed.
  - b. For In-Program Contact that occurs outside USA Archery's sanctioned events or facilities, implementing these policies means:
    - i. Communicating the policies to individuals under its jurisdiction;
    - ii. Establishing a reporting mechanism for violations of the policies;
    - iii. Investigating and enforcing violations of the policies.
5. USA Archery must have a reporting mechanism to accept reports that an Adult Participant is violating USA Archery's minor athlete abuse prevention policy. USA Archery must appropriately investigate and resolve any reports received, unless the violation is reported to the Center and it exercises jurisdiction over the report. This requirement is in addition to requirements to report abuse under the SafeSport Code.

### **C. Policy Approval and Submission Process**

1. USA Archery may adopt the MAAPP as-is or adapt it to fit their needs. Regardless, each Organization must submit their policies to the Center at [compliance@safesport.org](mailto:compliance@safesport.org) for review and approval by January 31, 2021. The Center will approve, approve with modifications, or deny the policies. If the Center denies the proposed policy, the mandatory components of Part II become the default policy until the Center approves the policy.
2. USA Archery must require their LAOs to incorporate the mandatory components of Part II. USA Archery may require that their LAOs implement the USA Archery's policies, which may be more stringent than the policies in Part II.