

# SafeSport Policy/Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy:

I, a prospective or current member/licensee/participant of USA Judo or USA Judo event agree to abide by and be bound by the applicable USA Judo Bylaws, Code of Conduct, competition rules and the SafeSport rules, policies and procedures promulgated by the U.S. Center for SafeSport as they may be amended from time to time. I agree to be subject to the jurisdiction of the U. S. Center for SafeSport and agree that any sanctions imposed by the Center extend to my participation in all USA Judo events or activities and may be posted publicly and include information regarding the misconduct involved. The USA Judo SafeSport Handbook can be found at [www.usjudo.org](http://www.usjudo.org).

USA Judo defines "regular contact with minors" as meaningful or direct contact or oversight with minors that would be considered frequent, repeated or consistent. By way of example, an adult who will often assist with coaching/leading classes including minors would be considered "regular contact" with minors and is required to complete the SafeSport Online Training/Certification Course.

An adult who may "drop in" to coach and/or practice with minors on occasion would not be considered frequent, repeated or consistent and would not need to complete the SafeSport Online Training/Certification Course. In the spirit of the moral code of judo, USA Judo requires adult members to self-certify whether or not they considered having "regular contact" with minors based on the aforementioned description. If an adult member is unsure whether or not they have "regular contact" with minors, USA Judo encourages those individuals (and their clubs) to err on the side of caution and complete the SafeSport Training and Certification. USA Judo, in cooperation with USA Judo Clubs, has the right to randomly review and assess members who may have regular contact with minors and require compliance if/when considered necessary by USA Judo Leadership. The USA Judo SafeSport Handbook can be found at [www.usjudo.org](http://www.usjudo.org)