

### **Required for U14, U16 Championships and Far West Camps Only**

Members of the Far West Traveling Team, competitors, coaches, officials and other individuals who officially represent the Far West at an event are required to abide by the U.S. Ski and Snowboard's Code of Conduct and the Far West policy concerning illegal drugs, alcohol and tobacco. Far West supports U.S. Ski and Snowboard's commitment to the SafeSport program, to help raise awareness about misconduct. Any Far West athlete who has questions or concerns about possible unacceptable behavior, physical contact or abuse can call the USOC SafeSport hotline, at 855-665-5473.

#### **Additionally, team members are:**

- to refrain from the use of alcohol of any form;
- to refrain from the use of tobacco of any form;
- to refrain from the use of firearms of any kind;
- required to attend all team meetings and team training unless excused by the team head coach;
- required to observe the curfew established by the coaching staff and chaperones;
- required to lodge with the team and to reside in the room to which they are assigned and share responsibility with their roommates for damages or rule violations that occur in the room when it is not possible to establish individual responsibility;
- boys and girls may 'hang out' in common areas. Boys are not allowed in girls rooms and girls are not allowed in boys rooms at any time!
- required to remain with the team or in the vicinity of the team's housing, except with the knowledge and permission of the team head coach or chaperone;
- required to observe all rules of the team lodging and host mountain.
- required to observe any additional rules established by the team head coach, chaperones or the Far West Skiing Alpine Competition Committee.

#### **Violation of these rules may result in**

- suspension from the team or any portion of the event
- ineligibility for future traveling team participation.
- rule violations that occur within 24 hours prior to the team's departure from an event, may result in a suspension through the next event for which the racer is eligible.
- In all cases of alcohol, tobacco or drug violations and in other cases which the coaches, in consultation with the FWS ACC Chairman, decide are appropriate, the individual(s) involved will be suspended from team participation for a minimum of one additional event for which they are eligible.
- First Violation: minimum suspension of one additional event and maximum of one year.
- Second Violation: permanent loss of privilege of traveling team participation.

In any case involving suspension or ineligibility, the individual(s) will have the right to a hearing before an impartial panel appointed by the Far West Skiing ACC Chair. To exercise this right, the individual must request the hearing within five (5) days of his/her verbal notification of the impending action or of the mailing of a letter of notification to the address on file with the U.S. Ski and Snowboard/Far West Office. The individual may request a reasonable amount of time to prepare his/her case but must be prepared to appear no later than seven (7) days prior to the next event for which he/she wishes to participate as part of a Far West Team. The appeals / hearing procedures can be found in





the Far West Skiing Alpine Competition Manual

No Far West coach or other official may deny an athlete the right to participate in a competition for which he/she is eligible as a disciplinary measure for violation of Far West Traveling Team rules without following appropriate sanctioning and disciplinary procedures defined in the Far West Policies and Procedures and Competition Manual.

**AGREEMENT:** I, the undersigned racer, have read and understood the Far West Team rules above, agree to abide by them when I am at an event or traveling to or from the event as a member of a Far West Traveling Team. I realize that a violation of these rules may result in my immediate suspension from a Far West Traveling Team, and in the loss of all team services including, but not limited to housing, meals, wax, local transportation, training, representation at the team captain's and jury meeting, transportation to and from the event. I understand that I will receive no refund for the unused portion of these services. If suspended, I will be prepared to make all arrangements that may be necessary in order to continue to compete in the event and to arrange the return from the event.

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Athlete's Signature

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Date

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Parent's Signature (if racer is under 18)

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Date

