

## SECTION II: USA BASKETBALL MISCONDUCT PREVENTION POLICY

USA Basketball prohibits the following types of misconduct by Participants:

- Sexual Misconduct
- Physical Misconduct
- Emotional Misconduct
- Harassment
- Hazing
- Bullying

**The above types of misconduct are defined in the *Code*, which can be found here:**  
<https://uscenterforsafesport.org/response-and-resolution/safesport-code/>

All USA Basketball participants, including coaches, athletes, and staff, should familiarize themselves with these forms of misconduct.

USA Basketball strongly encourages its constituent members to adopt similar policies, which are intended to provide and promote an environment free from misconduct and abuse.

Should anyone participating in the activities or affairs of USA Basketball observe behavior which violates one or more of the policies contained in this Handbook or the *Code*, including suspected physical or sexual abuse, such person is responsible to **immediately** report their observations to a USA Basketball representative and, where required, law enforcement authorities and the Center.

Additional information regarding reporting concerns of misconduct and abuse may be found in Section VI of this Handbook. Reporting parties should not attempt to evaluate the credibility or validity of allegations before reporting to USA Basketball, law enforcement, or the Center.

USA Basketball has zero tolerance for abuse and misconduct and responds to allegations of abuse or misconduct in accordance with the policies and procedures detailed in Section VI of this Handbook.

### **Jurisdiction and U.S. Center for SafeSport**

The U.S. Center for SafeSport retains exclusive jurisdiction over all allegations of sexual misconduct and/or child abuse. Any allegation of sexual misconduct or child abuse must be reported to the U.S. Center for SafeSport and any allegation of child abuse must be reported to law enforcement pursuant to the reporting policy in Section VI of this Handbook.