

1. To be considered as a Chaperone, parents must submit their name and dates of availability for a specific event to the Far West Administrator, who, with the assistance of the FWBOD and FWACC members, will select one (1) Chaperone for every (8) athletes. **Chaperones must hold a USSA general membership which includes a background screening.**
2. Prior to the race, a list of Chaperones will be provided to the Head and Assistant Far West Coaches. The Chaperones will each be provided a full list of athletes who will be on the trip and, if applicable, specific dates of arrival and departure for these athletes. This will be provided electronically.
3. Chaperones will be required to stay at the same hotel/condominium complex as the athletes. Each Chaperone will receive a rooming list of all the Far West athletes.
4. Upon arrival at the race, the Chaperone must seek out and meet with the Head and/or Assistant Coaches or Head Chaperone traveling with the team. All Chaperones will meet and be assigned a specific group of athletes by the Head Chaperone. A Chaperone may or may not be assigned to their own child.
5. The Chaperone will attend all team meetings to obtain the athlete's schedule for the evening hours. The Chaperone will be monitoring athletes from approximately 4 p.m. until curfew, which is usually between 10:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m. Other hours maybe requested by the Head/Assistant Head Coach for a trip, especially in cases of cancelled races or weather holds. It is the responsibility of the Chaperone to make sure the athletes under their charge are familiar with the USSA Code of Conduct and the USSA SafeSport Guidelines.
6. Athletes are encouraged to seek out the Chaperones if problems arise for which they require adult assistance. At no time should the Chaperone interfere with the schedule provided to athletes by the coaching staff. Athletes are required to check in with their Chaperone prior to leaving the premises during evening hours.
7. Each athlete is required to provide their cell phone number to the Chaperone before leaving the premises.
8. No alcohol is to be consumed by any Chaperone while in the presence of any athlete at the host lodging site.
9. If a violation of the Code of Conduct occurs and the Chaperone is either informed by an athlete or witnesses a violation of any of the rules, the Head traveling coach and/or Assistant is to be immediately notified of the problem, by the Head Chaperone. All athletes involved should be reported to the coaching staff. If individual team coaches are also present, they too should be informed of the problem and available to meet with the Far West traveling coaches as well as the athletes involved. Advisement of parents is the prerogative of the assigned Far West Head Traveling Coach. Please note that traveling team coaches will take care of finalized discipline issues pertaining to code of conduct violations and there may be a small delay in discipline due to immediate racing.
10. All violations, disciplinary and other discussion involving athletes at the races are to be confidential, until otherwise mandated.





**Contract Required for U14/U16 Championships and Far West Camps Only**

Members of the Far West Traveling Team, competitors, coaches, officials, chaperones and other individuals who officially represent the Far West at an event are required to abide by the USSA Code of Conduct and the Far West policy concerning illegal drugs, alcohol and tobacco. Far West supports USSA'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.

I understand that I am required to hold at least one USSA/Far West membership.

My member # is: \_\_\_\_\_ and the name on my membership is listed as: \_\_\_\_\_

**Additionally, chaperones are:**

- to refrain from the use or possession of alcohol and tobacco in vehicles used for team purposes;
- not to consume alcoholic beverages anywhere in the presence of a team member who is not of age;
- to refrain from the use of inappropriate language, or conversation topics around athletes;
- 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 lodge with the team and to reside in the room to which they are assigned
- required to observe any additional rules established by the team head coach, chaperones or the Far West Skiing Alpine Competition Committee.

**AGREEMENT:** I understand that, by participating in this project, I am not being employed by Far West Skiing, the United States Ski and Snowboard Association, or any of the affiliates of USSA. I have read and understand the Far West Chaperone Contract rules and 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.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

