

Dalhousie Sport Club Volunteer Coach/Instructor Agreement

Sport clubs are recognized student organizations formed by students motivated by a common interest and desire to participate in a specific sport or activity. In addition to being sanctioned as a 'club' by Dalhousie, they are also ratified societies recognized by the Dalhousie Student Union (DSU), to promote and develop interest in a sport. Members learn new skills, refine existing skills, engage in competition, and enjoy the recreational and social fellowship of sport. Some clubs can represent the university in intercollegiate competition outside of the U SPORTS realm.

The selection of a club coach/instructor is at the discretion of the affected club. Clubs may secure Coach(s)/Instructor(s) provided they complete and submit this application to Campus Recreation Coordinator. Please review the Coach's responsibilities below and initial before each statement (please note that club coach also refers to club instructor and community advisor below):

- _____ Club Coach(s) must restrict their participation in club activities to coaching and thus refrain from engaging in any activities affecting club management.
- _____ Club Coach(s) have no authority to engage the club or the University in any contracts or agreements without the express written consent of the Athletic Director (or designate). Coach(s) do not possess the right to approach any university official without the support of the club's student executive.
- _____ Club Coach(s) must be aware of and follow all club, program and University guidelines and policies (including the Dalhousie Student Code of Conduct) pertaining to the administration of Sport Clubs. Included is the requirement to provide a complete a criminal record and vulnerable sector check.
- _____ Club Coach(s) will follow risk management procedures outlined in the Sport Club Handbook.
- _____ Club Coach(s) are expected to ensure proper sportsmanship always and are encouraged to notify the Campus Recreation Coordinator for assistance in dealing with any club members who pose problems.
- _____ Club Coach(s) may not offer monetary or scholarship awards to any individual as incentives to participate.
- _____ Club Coach(s) must attend coach training hosted by Athletics Department before start of the fall semester.
- _____ Club Coach(s) must prioritize student academics over team goals and ensure students are encouraged to utilize University supports during times of stress which could impact mental health and well-being.
- _____ The Athletic Director, Assistant Athletic Director and Campus Recreation Coordinator have the right and obligation to protect individual clubs and their members, as well as the Sport Club Program. If the Athletic Director (or designate) determines the coach is not acting in the best interest of the club, its members, or the program, the coach will be relieved of their duties.

The assistance you can provide as a result of your life experiences is invaluable. The university appreciates your participation. Please provide the information requested below:

Club Name _____	Semester/Year _____
Coaches Name _____	Phone _____
Address _____	Email _____

Understand your signature confirms your willingness to work within the guidelines of the Dalhousie Sport Club Program. **Please attach a resume highlighting your coaching experience and qualifications.**

Signature _____ Date _____