

Volleyball Canada Canada Cup 2024 Spectator Guidelines

Volleyball Canada is committed to all participants enjoying their experience in a safe, supportive environment.

It is strongly encouraged that coaches and team managers ensure their spectators are aware of appropriate behaviours while attending the Canada Cup.

Volleyball Canada understands that cheering creates a great atmosphere for the teams and the event as a whole. The list below is a guideline of appropriate and inappropriate behaviours:

Appropriate Behaviour

In volleyball, it is common that a point is scored from an opponent error.

- Cheering for the team when winning a point.
- Positive chants, clapping or drumming is permitted.

The use of noise makers is permitted but it is advised to use discretion based on the spectator environment, i.e. seating available, proximity of other spectators.

Inappropriate Behaviour

- Heckling and singling out athletes or officials (including line judges) both in person and online
- Interfering with the scoring or judging process
- Using profanity or abusive language
- Threatening or harassing other players, spectators, coaches, or officials
- Disrupting the order and flow of the event

These actions are not only disrespectful and unsportsmanlike, but also violate Volleyball Canada's Code of Conduct. They reflect poorly on your teams and provinces and undermine the values and goals that we strive to promote. If at any point someone feels that the code of conduct has been violated, please report it to the tournament director. A spectator may receive a warning or depending on the behaviour, may be removed from the event.

If it is a Safe sport issue please call the Abuse Free Helpline phone or text at 1-888-83SPORT (77678) or by email to <u>info@abuse-free-sport.ca</u>, 12 hours a day, 7 days a week.