



## 2019 Club Basketball Season Travel Release Form

### **Liability Waiver**

By registering my child, \_\_\_\_\_, with the Carolina Defenders, I agree to participate (or allow my child and family members to participate) in the Carolina Defenders, and hereby release Carolina Defenders, its directors, officers, agents, coaches, and employees from liability for any injury that might occur to myself (or to my child and family members) while participating in the Carolina Defenders program, including travel to and from training sessions, tournaments or other scheduled team activities. I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the above mentioned organizations and/or individuals, their agents and/or employees, against any and all liability for personal injury, including injuries resulting in death to me, my child and/or other family members, or damage to my property, the property to my child and/or other family members, or both, while I (or my child or family members) participating with the Carolina Defenders.

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name |Date: \_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_

**Travel Code of Conduct**

All players, coaches, and parents of minors are apprised in writing of the Defenders Travel Code of Conduct and the attached Team Travel Policy. A signature on this document constitutes unconditional agreement to comply with the stipulations of both documents.

1. Players, coaches and chaperones will follow the Rules and Regulations set forth by the corresponding event staff.
2. Players, coaches and chaperones will maintain self-control at all times and will refrain from engaging in conduct that reflects adversely on the Defenders Sports Group organization.
3. Players, coaches, and chaperones will display proper respect and sportsmanship toward teammates, coaches, officials, fellow competitors and the public at all times.
4. Players, coaches, and chaperones are to refrain from any immoral, inappropriate, or offensive behavior such as abusive or inappropriate action toward another person. This includes bullying of any type.
5. Players, coaches, and chaperones will refrain from using alcohol, tobacco, drugs or other prohibited substances while traveling with the Defenders.
6. Players, coaches, and chaperones will dress in a manner suitable as a representative of the Defenders.
7. Players, coaches, and chaperones are reminded that when competing in events, traveling on trips, and attending other meet-related functions, they are representing both themselves and Defenders organization. Athlete behavior must positively reflect the high standards of the Defenders.
8. Players will strive to do their best, and encourage all teammates to do the same.

I understand that failure to comply with the Code of Conduct as set forth in this document may result in disciplinary action. I have read, understand, and agree to the policies herewith. I have also read and understand the Defenders Team Travel Policy (attached) and, by this signature, agree to abide by it.

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name |Date: \_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_

## **Team Travel Policy**

Carolina Defenders recognizes that team travel is an integral component of the training and technical curriculum of competitive basketball.

Team travel offers players supervised opportunities to learn and practice independence.

Travel opportunities may include but are not limited to: national, out of state or in state events, training camps and club sponsored recreational activities. Carolina Defenders have developed this policy to guide the planning and execution of team travel.

1. The Carolina Defenders Team Travel Policy, including liability release/medical consent form and team travel code of conduct, must be signed and agreed to by all players, coaches and chaperones traveling with the club.
2. Coaches and chaperones must be members of AAU and have successfully passed an AAU-administered criminal background check. Carolina Defenders coaches may be designated to assume chaperone duties, with advanced notice to parents and/or legal guardians.
3. Both male and female chaperones will be required for team overnight travel.
4. Regardless of gender, a coach or chaperone shall not share a hotel room with an athlete (unless the coach or chaperone is the parent, guardian, sibling, or spouse of that particular athlete). In dorm-like settings, open and observable environments should be maintained.
5. When only one athlete and one coach travel to a competition, the athlete must have his/her parents' or legal guardian's written permission in advance to travel alone with the coach.
6. During team travel, when doing room checks, attending team meetings and/or other activities, two-deep leadership and open and observable environments should be maintained.
7. Players should not ride in a coach's vehicle without another adult present who is the same gender as the athlete, unless prior parental permission is obtained.
8. During overnight team travel, if players are paired with other players they shall be of the same gender and should be a similar age. Where players are age 13 & over, chaperones and/or team managers would ideally stay in nearby rooms. When Players are age 12 & under, chaperones and/or team managers may stay with players. Where chaperones/team managers are staying in a room with players, they should be the same gender as the athlete and written consent should be given by player's parents (or legal guardian).
9. To ensure the propriety of the players and to protect the staff, there will be no male players in female player's rooms and no female players in male player's rooms (unless the other athlete is a sibling or spouse of that particular athlete).
10. The directions & decisions of coaches/chaperones are final.
11. Players are expected to remain with the team at all times during the trip. Players are not to leave the competition venue, the hotel, a restaurant, or any other place at which the team has gathered without the permission/knowledge of the coach or chaperone.
12. If a parent or guardian is taking the player away from a travel event, he or she must provide the coach with a written note informing him/her of the change.
13. Players and chaperones traveling with the team will attend all team functions including meetings, practices, meals, meet sessions, etc. unless otherwise excused or instructed by the head coach or his/her designee.
14. When visiting public places such as shopping malls, movie theatres, etc., players will stay in groups of no less than three persons. 12 & under players will be accompanied by a chaperone.
15. The Head Coach or his/her designee shall make a written report of travel policy or code of conduct violations to the appropriate club or Defenders leadership and the parent or legal guardian of any affected minor athlete.
16. Chaperones are to adhere to elements of the Travel Team Code of Conduct. The use of alcohol or drugs in combination with transporting or chaperoning Players is prohibited.
17. The Head Coach is to provide a specific itinerary to each chaperone detailing their responsibilities during the travel function, and check insurance and driver's licenses as needed.
18. Chaperones are to notify the Head coach immediately if they are unable to be available to their designated players for any reason while chaperoning.

19. Chaperones will carry out their responsibilities from the immediate time of departure until the return time as communicated to the players' parents.
20. If a private owned, leased or rented vehicle is used to transport players to a travel event or activity, the responsibility for liability lies with the owner, lessee, or renter of the vehicle. Chaperones must provide evidence of adequate automobile insurance prior to the travel situation upon request.
21. Players, Coaches & chaperones must sign and return the following Carolina Defenders Travel Code of Conduct section of this policy to the group coach prior to the travel trip. Retain the above policy for your records and for your use on the trip.

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name |Date: \_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_

**Waiver/Permission to Transport Athlete to Events and Contests**

Player Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Event/Activity: \_\_\_\_\_

Date or Season: Spring/Summer 2019 club basketball season

**Person(s) Authorized to Transport my Child (Over the age of 21)**

Driver #1 \_\_\_\_\_

Driver #2 \_\_\_\_\_

Driver #3 \_\_\_\_\_

I give permission for my child/player (“child”) to be transported in a motor vehicle driven by the individual identified to an event at the specified location on the date indicated. I understand that my child is expected to follow all applicable laws regarding riding in a motor vehicle and is expected to follow the directions provided by the driver and/or other adult volunteers. I have read, understand, and discussed with my child that:

- They will be traveling in a motor vehicle driven by an adult and they are to wear their safety-belt while traveling;
- They are expected to respect each other, the vehicles they ride in, and the people they travel with during the trip;
- Riding in a motor vehicle may result in personal injuries or death from wrecks, collisions or acts by riders, other drivers, or objects; and
- They are to remain in their seats and not be disruptive to the driver of the vehicle.

I recognize that by participating in this activity, as with any activity involving motor vehicle transportation, my child may risk personal injury or permanent loss. I hereby attest and verify that I have been advised of the potential risks, that I have full knowledge of the risks involved in this activity, and that I assume any expenses that may be incurred in the event of an accident, illness, or other incapacity, regardless of whether I have authorized such expenses. As a condition for the transportation received, I, for myself, my child, my executors and assigns, further agree to release and forever discharge the Defenders Sports Group, its elected governing Board and their agents, officers, employees and volunteers from any claim that I might have myself or that I could bring on my child’s behalf with regard to any damages, demands or actions whatsoever, including those based on negligence, in any manner arising out of this transportation. I have read this entire waiver and permission form, fully understand it, and agree to be legally bound by its terms. A written waiver of this policy may be issued by an administrator upon advance written request of a participant’s parent or guardian and provided the parent or guardian appears and accepts physical custody of the participant or names a designee of the transportation waiver form. In no case shall a waiver be issued unless the parent/guardian (or the parent’s designee over 21 years of age) provides the alternate means of transportation. Oral requests shall not be honored. Oral permissions shall not be valid. The coach must verify the request approval with the administration before a participant may be transported to a function, event, competition or practice.

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name |Date: \_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_