



REGISTRATION TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Parent/Guardian Agreement

By registering a participant, the parent or guardian acknowledges and agrees to the following Terms and Conditions.

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1. General Terms and Conditions

Participation and Assumption of Risk

As the parent or guardian of the registered participant, I give permission for the participant to take part in all activities associated with the current season.

I understand and accept the risks associated with participation, including travel to and from program activities. I waive, release, and hold harmless Park Ridge Football, its Board of Directors, sponsors, Park Ridge Sports Inc. (PRSI), Park Ridge Recreation & Park District, supervisors, coaches, other participants, and individuals providing transportation.

Health Insurance

I agree to maintain active health insurance coverage for the registered participant throughout participation in the program.

Registration Information and Age Verification

I agree to provide proof of age if requested by the League and confirm that all information submitted during registration is accurate.

I understand that the Park Ridge Football Board has the authority to assign players and cheerleaders according to its rules and safety standards.

Equipment Responsibility

I accept financial responsibility for any issued equipment that is lost or damaged beyond reasonable wear.

I also agree to reimburse the League for equipment that is not returned on time.

2. Emergency Medical Release

As the parent or guardian, I authorize emergency medical treatment for the registered participant in the event of an injury during practices, games, or other related activities, including travel.

I authorize any hospital, physician, or certified emergency personnel to provide necessary medical care.

3. Refunds & Equipment Deposit

Refund Policy

As a nonprofit organization, Park Ridge Football & Cheerleading strives to keep registration costs as low as possible. Because expenses such as equipment, uniforms, and insurance must be committed well in advance, refunds are limited.

This policy applies to all registration-based programs, including seasons, camps, and other events.

Program	When Refund Is Requested	Refund Amount
Fall Flag Football	Before August 1	50%
	On or after August 1	No refund
Spirit Cheer	Before August 1	50%
	On or after August 1	No refund
Tackle Football	Any time	No refund
Competitive Cheer	Any time	No refund
Spirit Cheer Summer Camp	Two weeks or more before the camp start date	50%
	Within two weeks of the camp start date	No refund
Indoor Football & Football Training Camps	Two weeks or more before the camp start date	50%
	Within two weeks of program start date	No refund

Requesting a Refund

All refund requests must be submitted by email to prfootballcheer@gmail.com.

Approved refunds will be issued within 30 days.

Equipment Deposits

All participants must return issued equipment. If equipment is not returned, the applicable equipment deposit will be forfeited:

- Tackle Football: \$300
- Spirit Cheerleading: \$75

4. Registration Waitlist Guidelines

Purpose

This policy explains how waitlists are managed when a PRSI program reaches full capacity.

Program capacity is determined each season by the Board of Directors and/or Program Managers based on enrollment levels, volunteer availability, equipment, and other operational factors.

When a Waitlist Is Used

- A waitlist begins when a program reaches capacity or registration closes.
- Registrations received after that point are automatically placed on the waitlist.
- No payment is required while a participant is on the waitlist.

Waitlist Priority

If a spot becomes available, participants may be selected based on the following factors:

- Returning PRSI athletes
- Park Ridge residents
- Team or position needs
- Prior participation in PRSI football or cheer programs
- Date the registration form was submitted

Placement from the waitlist is not guaranteed.

Notification and Response

- Families will be notified by email if a spot becomes available.
- Families will have 48 hours to accept the available spot.
- If a family does not respond within 48 hours, the spot may be offered to the next person on the waitlist.

Payment

Payment is required only after a spot is offered and accepted.

If a family declines the spot or does not respond within the required timeframe, the participant will be removed from the waitlist.

Waitlist Duration

Waitlists apply only to the current season and do not carry over to future seasons.

Families must register again for future programs.

Additional Teams

If demand and available resources allow, PRSI may add an additional team and place multiple waitlisted athletes on that team.

5. Photo & Video Release Waiver

I give Park Ridge Football & Cheerleading permission to photograph or record myself and my family during team-related activities.

These photographs and recordings may be used for promotional purposes in print or online, including websites, social media, and advertising, with or without identifying individuals by name.

6. Social Media Policy

Purpose

PRSI recognizes the power of social media and the responsibility its members have in shaping the organization's image.

This policy applies to all board members, coaches, directors, volunteers, and participants who represent PRSI in either a professional or personal capacity.

Social Media Guidelines

Everyone covered by this policy is expected to:

- Communicate respectfully, especially during disagreements.

- Avoid sharing content that could harm PRSI's image.
- Think before posting and remember that online content can be permanent.
- Seek guidance from a board member when unsure whether a post is appropriate.
- Never disclose personally identifiable information without approval.
- Encourage positive social media interactions.
- Report misuse to a board member or director.

Enforcement

The PRSI Board may monitor and enforce this policy, remove inappropriate content, and restrict individuals from official PRSI platforms.

Violations may result in disciplinary action, including suspension or removal from the program.

7. Player, Parent/Guardian & Spectator Code of Conduct & Ethics

Parents and guardians play an important role in a child's athletic experience.

Players, parents/guardians, and spectators are expected to support the following principles:

- Support children in having fun and developing their skills.
- Demonstrate good sportsmanship and encourage respectful behavior.
- Cheer positively and avoid coaching from the stands.
- Respect coaches, officials, and players, win or lose.
- Ensure participants arrive on time and understand the importance of commitment.
- Report misconduct or violations to the Program Director.

Violations

Violations will be investigated by the Program Director and PRSI President.

Final decisions, including any sanctions, will be communicated in writing and reviewed by the Board if necessary.

8. Coaches Code of Conduct & Ethics

Coaches are expected to create a safe, respectful, and development-focused environment.

All coaches agree to:

- Provide constructive feedback in appropriate settings.
- Respect game officials and accept their decisions.
- Model good sportsmanship toward opponents.
- Prioritize academic and personal development.
- Emphasize teamwork over winning.
- Remain in the designated coaching area during games.
- Help manage fan behavior and set a respectful tone.
- Avoid profanity, abusive language, or aggressive conduct.
- Rotate players when leading by a wide margin and follow the Programs' minimum play rules.
- Never accept payment or allow ineligible players to participate.
- Prohibit weight-cutting tactics and other unsafe behaviors.
- Avoid all tobacco, alcohol, and illegal substances when interacting with players.
- Remove players from participation when their health is in question.
- Lead by example and hold themselves to the highest standard.

Violations

Violations will be handled by the Program Director and PRSI President, with possible review by the Board of Directors.

Penalties may include suspension, expulsion, or other disciplinary measures.

9. Volunteer and Employee Background Check Policy

As part of its affiliate agreement, Park Ridge Sports Inc. (PRSI) is required to conduct background checks on all volunteers and employees.

Individuals who are ineligible for employment with a park district are also not permitted to volunteer or work with PRSI.

According to Illinois law (70 ILCS 1205/8-23), a person is ineligible for park district employment, and therefore ineligible for employment or volunteer service with PRSI, if the person has:

1. Been convicted of any of the following crimes:

- First degree murder
- Attempted first degree murder
- Any Class X felony
- Criminal sexual assault (11-1.20, 12-13)
- Aggravated criminal sexual assault (11-1.30)
- Predatory criminal sexual assault of a child (11-1.40, 12-14, 12-14.1)
- Criminal sexual abuse (11-1.50)
- Aggravated criminal sexual abuse (11-1.60, 12-15)
- Indecent solicitation of a minor (11-6, 12-16)
- Public indecency (11-9, 11-30)
- Promoting juvenile prostitution (11-14.4)
- Patronizing a person engaged in the sex trade (11-18)
- Obscenity (11-20)
- Child pornography (11-20.1)
- Distributing harmful material (11-21)
- Stalking (12-7.3)
- Aggravated stalking (12-7.4)
- Cyberstalking (12-7.5)

2. Been convicted of certain drug-related offenses

This applies to certain drug-related offenses specified in Illinois law (70 ILCS 1205/8-23), unless seven (7) years have passed since completion of the person's sentence.