

OPEN AND OBSERVABLE ENVIRONMENTS: RULE OF TWO



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WHAT IS IT?

RULE OF TWO states that there will always be two screened and safety-trained adults with a participant, especially a minor athlete, when in a potentially vulnerable situation.

WHAT ARE OPEN AND OBSERVABLE ENVIRONMENTS?

Open and observable spaces involve making meaningful and concerted efforts to avoid situations where a person of authority: coach, official, staff member, etc., might be alone with an athlete and/or vulnerable individual.



Not closed or concealed from others



No closed doors or secluded locations



Others should be aware the interaction is taking place



Others can see, observe or take note of the interaction



Volleyball Canada (VC) endorses the Coaching Association of Canada's Responsible Coaching Movement and all participants of VC events, activities, and meetings are encouraged to adhere to these best practice guidelines. www.coach.ca/responsiblecoaching

INTERACTIONS



ELIMINATE

one-to-one electronic messaging and ensure that all communications are sent to the group and/or include parents (for minors) or other certified coaches and/or staff members.



CONSIDER

the gender of the participant when selecting the screened people for the closed meeting.

ENSURE

a minor participant rides in a vehicle with two screened adults present.

