

S-A-F-E-T-Y

As a volunteer, arguably the most important aspect of the position is the health and safety of the public you are overseeing.

To help serve as a reminder of the importance of your role in injury prevention, the word **SAFETY** can be used with each letter representing a separate, but equally important, aspect of avoiding and reacting to a dangerous situation.

Surface inspection: Check the playing area prior to games and practices for any debris or hazardous conditions.

Adequate supervision: Always have your full attention devoted to your participants' activities and their proper use of the equipment.

First Aid Care: Be prepared to properly handle injuries.

Emergency Plan: Know your responsibilities in an emergency.

Teach proper skills and techniques: Injuries can easily occur from inappropriate actions.

You, as a volunteer and representing the organization have a legal responsibility for the safety and well-being of the participants by responding to a dangerous situation with the conduct expected of a reasonably prudent person acting under similar circumstances.



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- If an injury occurs you should only administer first-aid that you are trained or well informed to administer. If the injury requires more than standard first-aid, always call for trained emergency assistance.
- Immediately notify your supervisor and complete the accident report with accuracy. It is vital that all accidents be reported in a timely manner. Failure to do so could result in an insurance claim being denied.
- Parents or guardians should be informed when minors are injured and be sure that you do not admit fault.

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