

2018-2019 SEASON



Welcome to the Vancouver HC, a member Handball Club of the British Columbia Team Handball Federation, striving to compete at the highest competitive levels in North America.

Vancouver HC holds regular training sessions at the Osborne Center at the University of British Columbia (6108 Thunderbird Blvd, Vancouver) every **Tuesday 18:30 - 21:00** and every **Saturday 09:00 - 11:00** from September thru May, unless otherwise noted due to holidays and special events. Additional session during the season will be made available upon determination of time and location.

GOALS FOR THE HANDBALL SEASON

- Prepare competition teams (Men and Women) for tournaments
- Utilize the experienced and retired athletes to train athletes of ALL levels
- Increase Vancouver membership
- Community involvement, Handball in Schools and Sponsorship
- Create a welcoming, fun, nurturing, and family Handball atmosphere

SCHEDULE OF POSSIBLE TOURNAMENTS (events announced as received)

10-11 November 2018 @ Richmond, BC	Vancouver Handball Cup
22-24 February 2019 @ Regina, Saskatchewan	Heritage Cup
March/April 2019 @ Portland, Oregon	Sasquatch Slam
May 2019 @ TBD	CTHF Nationals
May 2019 @ TBD	USTHF Nationals

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TRAINING FEES

- Free one-session trial period for newcomers to Vancouver Handball;
- The annual membership fee of Vancouver Handball and its parent federations is \$20;
- Collected fees cover the cost of gym rentals, training supplies, and administrative overhead;
- Fees do not cover any tournament expenses;
- Members commit to abiding by the club's code of conduct;
- Drop-in rates allow members may participate at a leisure level;
- The membership and full/half time training fees must be paid **within 15 days** after your first training.
- Drop-in fee must be paid **before** every practice.
- Fees for additional trainings or special events will be announced ahead of time.
- Payments can be made in **CASH, CHEQUE** (British Columbia Team Handball Federation or BCTHF) or **EMAIL-TRANSFER** to **VANCOUVER@BCHANDBALL.CA** using password "VANHCPAYMENT"

Structure

- Annual Membership fee: \$20 (Mandatory for full/half/student/drop-in members)
- Full season for **BOTH** Fall and Winter Season — \$350 (Students: \$250)
- Full season for Fall **OR** Winter Season (~21-25 sessions) — \$200 (Students: \$140)
- Half season for Fall or Winter Season (12 sessions) — \$100 (Students: \$80)
- Drop-in rate per session — \$15

OPTIONS	FALL SEASON (SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER)	WINTER SEASON (JANUARY - MAY)
	FULL (~21-25 SESSIONS) HALF (12 SESSIONS)	FULL (~21-25 SESSIONS) HALF (12 SESSIONS)
(1) FULLTIME FEE	\$200 (STUDENTS: 140)	\$200 (STUDENTS: 140)
(2) HALFTIME FEE	\$100 (STUDENTS: 80)	\$100 (STUDENTS: 80)
(3) DROP-IN FEE	\$15 / SESSION	\$15 / SESSION

** The lesser of values will be calculated for the benefit of the member

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CODE OF CONDUCT - Consolidated

This policy covers Code of Conduct for Players, Coaches, Club officials, sponsors and promoters and Child Protection and should be signed by all those involved in Vancouver Handball.

A Code of Conduct has a number of important functions. It:

- Sets out what behaviour is acceptable and unacceptable
- Defines standards of practice expected from those to whom it applies
- Forms the basis for challenging and improving practice
- Helps to safeguard staff/volunteers by encouraging them to adhere to agreed standards of practice
- Sets out for children and parents/caretakers the standards of practice which they and the organisation should expect from those who work/volunteer with children.

Vancouver Handball Club will:

- Promote and encourage fair play through its members;
- Ensure that its rules are fair, clearly understood by players, coaches, officials and administrators, and properly enforced;
- Make every effort to ensure that its rules are applied consistently and with absolute impartiality;
- Treat all members equally, irrespective of gender, race, physical characteristics or physical/mental disabilities;
- Impress upon players, coaches, officials and administrators the need to maintain the highest standards of sportsmanship in playing Handball.

Players must:

- Abide by the rules and the spirit of the competition;
- Accept the decisions of referees, table officials and delegates without question or complaint;
- Never consider cheating and, in particular, must not attempt to improve their individual performance by the use of drugs;
- Exercise reasonable self-control at all times;
- Learn to accept success and failure, victory and defeat, with good grace and magnanimity, without excessive emotional display;
- Treat their opponents and team-mates with respect, both in and out of the playing arena.

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Coaches must:

- Insist that players understand and abide by the principles of fair play;
- Accept the decisions of referees, table officials and delegates without question or complaint;
- Never countenance the use of drugs by performers;
- Never employ methods or practices that could involve risks, however slight, to the long-term health or physical development of their players;
- Not attempt to manipulate the rules in order to take advantage of their players or their opponents.

Club Officials must:

- Respect the regulations and authority of their governing body and its member organisations, and not attempt to avoid or circumvent these regulations;
- Recognise the special role that they have to play in the establishment of standards by setting a good example of sportsmanship at all times;
- Respect the rights of other clubs and not deliberately act in a manner intended to be to the detriment of any other club;
- Respect the rights of players, coaches and officials, and not exploit or deliberately act in a manner intended to be detrimental to them;
- Not endeavour to influence the result of a competition by any action not strictly within the rules and regulations, or within the fundamental precepts of fair play.

Sponsors and promoters must:

- Not seek to influence unduly or improperly the outcome of competitions by financial or other inducements;
- Recognise that the administration and organisation of all Handball competitions and events is the exclusive responsibility of the appropriate Handball authorities.

Parents

The essential elements of character-building and ethics in sports are embodied in the concept of sportsmanship and six core principles: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and good citizenship. The highest potential of sports is achieved when competition reflects these "six pillars of character."

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As a parent or spectator:

- I will not force my child to participate in sports.
- I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youth, not adults.
- I will inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.
- I will learn the rules of the game and the policies of the competition.
- I will understand the selection procedures for any representative team that my child is selected for.
- I (and my guests) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials and spectators at every game, practice or other sporting event.
- I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent such as booing and taunting; refusing to shake hands; or using profane language or gestures.
- I will not encourage any behaviours or practices that would endanger the health and well-being of the athletes.
- I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
- I will demand that my child treat other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, colour, sex or ability.
- I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his/her performance.
- I will praise my child for competing fairly and trying hard, and make my child feel like a winner every time.
- I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participant for making a mistake or losing a competition.
- I will emphasise skill development and practices and how they benefit my child over winning. I will also de-emphasise games and competition in the lower age groups.
- I will promote the emotional and physical well-being of the athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for my child to win.
- I will respect the officials and their authority during games or training and will never question, discuss, or confront coaches at the game field, and will take time to speak with coaches at an agreed upon time and place.
- I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and I will refrain from their use at all sports events.
- I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games and practices, unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.

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ATHLETIC WAIVER

I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE SPORT I AM SIGNING UP FOR IS AN INHERENTLY DANGEROUS SPORT, WHICH INVOLVES RISK OF SERIOUS INJURY, INCLUDING PERMANENT DISABILITY AND DEATH, HARASSMENT, EXPOSURE TO INAPPROPRIATE CONDUCT, AND SEVERE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC LOSSES WHICH MAY RESULT NOT ONLY FROM THEIR OWN ACTIONS, INACTION OR NEGLIGENCE BUT THE ACTION, INACTION OR NEGLIGENCE OF OTHERS, THE RULE OF PLAY, OR THE CONDITION OF THE PREMISES OR ANY EQUIPMENT USED. FURTHER, **I ACCEPT PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE DAMAGES FOLLOWING SUCH INJURY, PERMANENT DISABILITY OR DEATH; I KNOWINGLY AND FREELY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISK, EITHER NOT KNOWN TO ME OR NOT READILY FORESEEABLE AT THIS TIME; EVEN THOSE ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENT ACTS OR OMISSIONS OF OTHERS, AND ASSUME FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR MY PARTICIPATION.**

IN CONSIDERATION OF THE AGREEMENT OF THE VANCOUVER HANDBALL CLUB (VHC) AND BRITISH COLUMBIA TEAM HANDBALL FEDERATION (BCTHF) ALLOWING ME TO PARTICIPATE IN THE HANDBALL SPORT, AS PLAYED BY BCTHF, INCLUDING RELATED EVENT OR ACTIVITY, I HEREBY ON BEHALF OF MYSELF, MY HEIRS, ASSIGNS AND PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES, **RELEASE AND FOREVER DISCHARGE VHC AND BCTHF, ITS OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, MEMBERS, SPONSORS, PROMOTERS AND AFFILIATES FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITY, CLAIM, LOSS, COST OF EXPENSE AND WAIVE AND PROMISE NOT TO SUE ON ANY SUCH CLAIMS AGAINST ANY SUCH PERSON OR ORGANIZATION ARISING DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY FROM OR ATTRIBUTABLE IN ANY LEGAL WAY TO ANY NEGLIGENCE, ACTION OR OMISSION TO ACT OF ANY SUCH PERSON OR ORGANIZATION IN CONNECTION WITH SPONSORSHIP, ORGANIZATION OR EXECUTION OF ANY SPORTING EVENT OR ACTIVITY IN WHICH I MAY PARTICIPATE AS A CLUB MEMBER OR SPECTATOR. I OR MY SUCCESSORS SHALL BE LIABLE FOR THE EXPENSES INCURRED (INCLUDING LEGAL FEES) INCURRED BY THE OTHER PARTY OR PARTIES IN DEFENDING, UNLESS THE OTHER PARTIES ARE FINANCIALLY ADJUDGES LIABLE ON SUCH CLAIM FOR WILLFUL AND WONTON NEGLIGENCE.**

I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT THE FACILITIES RENTED OR PARTICIPATED BY VHC ARE NOT OWNED OR MAINTAINED BY VHC OR BCTHF AND AGREE TO THE SAME CONDITIONS AS STATED IN THE PREVIOUS PARAGRAPHS.

I DO HEREBY GIVE VHC AND BCTHF, ITS ASSIGNS, LICENSEES, AND LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES THE IRREVOCABLE RIGHT TO USE MY NAME, PICTURE, PORTRAIT, OR PHOTOGRAPH IN ALL FORMS AND MEDIA AND IN ALL MANNERS, INCLUDING COMPOSITE, FOR ADVERTISING, FOR PUBLICATION OR ANY OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES, AND I WAIVE ANY RIGHT TO INSPECT OR APPROVE THE FINISHED PRODUCT, INCLUDING WRITTEN COPY, WHICH MAY BE CREATED IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

THE PARTIES AGREE THAT BRITISH COLUMBIA LAW APPLIES. THERE ARE NO REFUNDS.

I HAVE READ THE ABOVE AND UNDERSTAND IT FULLY. THIS FORM IS SIGNED AS MY OWN FREE ACT AND DEED.

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	{INITIAL} I have read the Fee Structure and I agree with the terms
	{INITIAL} I have read the Code of Conduct and I agree with the terms
	{INITIAL} I have read the Athletic Waiver and I agree with the terms

- Full season (Both Fall and Winter / Fall / Winter)
- Half season (12 sessions)
- Drop-in
- I am a student (Please provide a proof of enrollment)

PARTICIPANT (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

NAME <small>(LAST, FIRST)</small>		GENDER	<input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male
ADDRESS		CITY	
EMAIL		PHONE	
SIGNATURE		D.O.B. <small>(DD/MM/YY)</small>	

** IF UNDER THE AGE OF 18 A PARENT/GUARDIAN MUST CO-SIGN

NAME <small>(LAST, FIRST)</small>		RELATIONSHIP	
SIGNATURE		PHONE	

EMERGENCY CONTACT (PREFERABLE NOT ANOTHER MEMBER OF THE CLUB)

NAME <small>(LAST, FIRST)</small>		RELATIONSHIP	
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REFEREE: Do you have any referee experience?