



Rule of 2 = 3

What is the purpose of the rule of two?

To protect minor athletes and persons in authority in potentially vulnerable situations by ensuring more than one adult is present

Practicing the rule of two

The Rule of Two means that a Person In Authority (P.I.A) coach, official, volunteer, administrator, is **NEVER alone or out of sight with any one athlete**



2 Certified & screened P.I.A

+ 1 Athlete

1 P.I.A should be the same gender as the athlete



2 Trained & Screened P.I.A

+ 1 Athlete

1 P.I.A should be the same gender as the athlete



1 Trained P.I.A & 1 Screened P.I.A

+ 1 Athlete

1 P.I.A should be the same gender as the athlete



1 Person in Authority

+ 2 Athletes



1 Person in Authority

+ 1 Athlete

Rule of two scenarios

AVOID



**CLOSED DOOR OR
ONE-ON-ONE MEETINGS**



BETTER



Have meetings or one-on-one conversations in an observable environment



AVOID



**TRANSPORTING
NON-FAMILIAL ATHLETES
ALONE IN A VEHICLE**



BETTER



Have parent/guardian permission to transport athletes, and have them sit in the back-seat



AVOID



**CONTACT OUTSIDE
OF PROGRAM HOURS
AND ONE-ON-ONE
COMMUNICATION WITH
ATHLETES**



BETTER



Ensure communication protocols are in place. Any communication with Minors should be done in a group chat with parents/guardians



AVOID



**SHARING A HOTEL ROOM
WITH NON-FAMILIAL
ATHLETES**



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Minor's of the same gender may share a room together, or room with their own family members



Ask yourself

- Is this the most appropriate time and place for this activity?
- Is there a more open space available?
- Who should be informed that I will be alone with this athlete?
- What permissions should I seek out?
- What changes could be made to avoid this in the future?
- How can I safely separate myself from the athlete?

