

## CHUSY REGION CODE OF CONDUCT

United Synagogue Youth enjoys one of the most honored and respected reputations of any youth organization. This **Code of Conduct** will help us enjoy and benefit from the numerous programs our Region and youth organization offers.

For purposes of this Code of Conduct, a "USY event" or "activity" shall include all times from when a USYer leaves his or her home, through when the USYer returns to his or her home, including free time and during transportation to and from the event.

1. **Kashrut** will be observed, including during transportation to and from USY events, and during "free time".
2. **Religious Observance.** All USYers and staff shall observe the religious policies established by the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism, including those pertaining to Shabbat observance; all males must wear *kipot* during all services and meals and *tallit/tefillin* for morning services where appropriate. All USYers shall wear clothing appropriate to the event/location.
3. **Possession or use** of any weapons, alcohol, tobacco products and/or illegal drugs is not permitted at a USY event. The Region reserves the right to search the room and belongings of any attendee if it has reasonable grounds to believe that such a search is necessary to secure the health, safety, and/or welfare of the program and or its participants.
4. **Attendance** at all scheduled USY event activities is required, and only those registered for the USY event are permitted to attend. No USYer may leave the premises in which a scheduled event is located without prior approval of the Regional Youth Director, as well as prior permission of the parent/guardian.
5. **Camp/Hotel Hospitality.** Males are not permitted in sleeping rooms occupied by females, and females are not permitted in sleeping rooms occupied by males.
6. **Observance of Civil/Criminal law.** No USYer or staff shall violate any civil or criminal law, including but not limited to, those related to tampering of or destruction to property, and destruction of one's own or another person's physical and/or mental integrity. Inappropriate or unwelcome physical contact or language, indecent attire or public nudity, shall not be permitted.
7. **Cooperation with Staff.** Each USYer shall fully cooperate with every staff person, including volunteer staff persons, and shall otherwise adhere to all rules established for the event.

Anyone who violates this Code of Conduct shall be subject to disciplinary consequences, including, but not limited to, being sent home at the expense of the violating USYer or staff member (or his/her parent/guardian), monetary payment for personal and/or property damages and suspension from future USY events. The Regional Youth Director reserves the right to enforce these and any other behavioral rules, and impose additional sanctions with respect to behavior that would otherwise affect the integrity of the USY event and/or the health, safety and welfare of its participants and staff.

In the event a USYer or staff member violates the National Youth Commission policy regarding drug/alcohol abuse or any other criminal offense (including but not limited to shoplifting), punishment for that offense will include suspension from international USY events/activities (including but not limited to International USY Convention and USY Summer Programs) for one year following the infraction.

We have read the **CHUSY Code of Conduct** and agree to its terms.

Signature of Participant\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Youth Director/Advisor\_\_\_\_\_