

Tips for Parents:

Questions to Ask Your Child's Sports Camp

It can be tough to send your young athlete off to camp for the first time. Here are a few questions you might ask to give you a better sense for how the camp approaches participant safety.

- 1. What kind of supervision do you provide for athletes, based on their age groupings, both during training sessions and off-hours?
- 2. What kind of supervision do you provide athletes if travel is required to transport athletes between camp housing and the training facility?
- 3. If this is a mixed-gender camp, how do you arrange the housing for each age group?
- 4. What are the credentials, background and experience of all coaches or camp staff?
- 5. Do your coaches, and other staff, receive training and education about child sexual abuse and other misconduct in sport? If not, why?
- 6. What is your camp's reporting policy for child sexual abuse and other misconduct?
- 7. What kind of athletic trainers and/or other medical personnel do you have on staff and what hours are they available?
- 8. What is your process if an athlete needs medical treatment?
- 9. Do you have camp emergency contacts available 24/7?
- 10. What is your process for dealing with reports of misconduct?