

CUMBERLAND VALLEY YOUTH LACROSSE

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Volunteer Deposit Policy and FAQ

Why do I need to volunteer?

CVYLAX is operated completely by volunteers. We need your help to provide a quality lacrosse program for our children! In addition to supporting our players, a club like ours with more than 120 players and six teams needs an average of 1,000 volunteer hours to help with set up and closing, concessions, scorekeepers, coaches and so on. In addition, we always need an active Board of Directors and coordinators for the different core positions and committee participants. There is always a need for volunteer help regardless of your knowledge of the sport!

Volunteer Deposit Amount: \$40

Why have a volunteer deposit? Great question! Our lacrosse program continues to grow.

Unfortunately, at the same time, there is a continuing decline in parent volunteers that is jeopardizing our program. We are always looking for NEW faces and invite everyone to be an active Club member!

A volunteer deposit has been implemented after years of trying to find volunteers for the many hours required to offer a quality lacrosse program for our children. It is an attempt to increase parental activity within your child's sport. The deposit is due at parent's night and exchanged for uniforms. Many hands make for light work! Volunteering for the following earns back your volunteer deposit for the entire family regardless of the number of players in our program: You cannot earn back more than was paid in.

2017 Minimum Volunteer Requirements (one of the following)

- At least six (6) hours may be completed across various opportunities; or
- Team Parent
- Team Field Captain
- Concession Captain
- Team Coach
- Board Member

What if I am no longer able to volunteer for an event I signed up for?

We understand there are emergencies or situations that arise preventing you from keeping your commitment. HOWEVER, IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO NOTIFY US & FIND SOMEONE TO WORK YOUR SHIFT IF YOU ARE NO LONGER ABLE TO WORK YOURSELF.

Do I have to volunteer?

No. However, if you don't volunteer, your deposit is forfeited. **Note: It's not the money that our program needs – IT'S THE VOLUNTEER HELP.**

What if I have more than one player?

Families pay one volunteer fee per family regardless of how many wrestlers in the program. We need help more than we need your money.

How exactly do I get my money back?

1. Volunteer and help with lacrosse in one or more of the above categories fulfilling the required number of hours.
2. Print and complete the Volunteer Reimbursement form and submit as instructed on form.

How long is the volunteer opportunity window?

Your volunteer hours are fulfilled in-season. You have until May 25th of the current season to submit for your refund. Please don't wait until the end of the season. You may submit for your refund as soon as you fulfill your hours. Deposits will be given back at the conclusion of the season.

How will I know the volunteering I can do?

There are many positions that are needed to be filled regardless of your knowledge of lacrosse. Online volunteer signup opportunities will be posted/emailed at the time of registration. You can also check with your child's coach or team parent for additional opportunities or look in to board participation. There are many committee needs. We have NEVER filled every volunteer opportunity in a season; there is always something available to do!

If I don't volunteer, where does the money go?

Your volunteer fee goes straight back into the lacrosse program to enhance your child's lacrosse experience.

If I volunteer but "donate" my volunteer deposit to CV Lacrosse, where does the money go?

Your donation will be used toward lowering the cost to play for all athletes.

Does one member of the family have to do all the volunteering?

No. If a mother and father volunteer together, or separately, that is considered toward the family commitment.

Can a member bring a son/daughter when volunteering?

Absolutely! We need the help. If this works for the family, it works for us.

Can a son/daughter volunteer FOR the family?

Absolutely! CVYLAX needs everyone's help. Some common sense though - the volunteer activity needs to be age appropriate.