

**TO:** Carolina Region Junior Team Representatives

**RE:** 2008-2009 Registration Procedures



In an effort to make completing your team registration easier, we have included a checklist for you to follow that will outline all the steps you need to take to complete your registration quickly and correctly. Be sure to read through the accompanying information to answer any questions you may have about eligibility, definitions, forms, etc. **NOTE: The registration process has CHANGED significantly the past three seasons! We have gone to an online individual-based registration system, so please be sure to read the accompanying information and pass it along to your club members!** Additional information/forms can be found at our web page - [www.CarolinaRegionVB.org](http://www.CarolinaRegionVB.org)

**CHECKLIST FOR TEAM APPLICATION (Team Representatives):**

- \_\_\_ 1. Download the Team Roster and Registration Form and complete to register your team with the Region. The Region can put your players on your team in the online system OR the club administrator will be able to do it online ONCE (once individuals are assigned to your club in the system). A team must have SIX players on the roster to be legal.
- \_\_\_ 2. Mail/Fax all Team Registration Forms (if responsible for more than one team) along with **ONLY ONE CHECK or Paypal payment** (payable to Carolina Region) to arrive at the Region Office at least one week before your first tournament. Allow at least two weeks for processing. All individuals on your team must be completely registered (completed application either online or with paper form and payment received by Region) at least one week before tournament to be eligible to compete.

**CHECKLIST FOR INDIVIDUAL APPLICATIONS:**

- \_\_\_ 1. Direct all your players to our online registration page – [www.CarolinaRegionVB.org/Registration/](http://www.CarolinaRegionVB.org/Registration/) to register online with the Region. If they have been a member in any season since 2004 then they should be in the online system already (they need to log-in or request their log-in info following instructions on the page). Renewing members go to their membership account and hit the renew button. During their renewing process, they can choose your club (if known) or choose UNDECIDED and they can update the club later (once) or we can add them into your club when we receive the Team Registration form. After they have submitted their application to renew online, they will be able to complete their waiver electronically this season. They will only need to mail a check (or pay online through our online payments links) to the Region Office to complete the registration process. **The Region recommend all individuals handle their own registration this season.**
- \_\_\_ 2. A 2009 Carolina Region membership form is available on the website also. Those players that do not have internet access or do not want to register online may still register using the membership form. However, those members that register online get a \$10 discount since the paper forms require more work to process. Players can download their own membership form and Participant Code of Conduct from [www.CarolinaRegionVB.org/Forms/](http://www.CarolinaRegionVB.org/Forms/).
- \_\_\_ 3. Each participant must **read and sign** the Waiver and Release of Liability as well as the Participant Code of Conduct (either electronically or by paper form). Applications will be delayed until we receive the completed application and applicable payments. All Junior participants must have a parent/legal guardian complete their application and a medical history form. **The medical history form should NOT be returned to the Office, but should be turned in to the Coach to carry at all practices and competitions.**
- \_\_\_ 4. All Adults registering with a Junior team MUST pass a background screen. The background screen is good for two seasons, so coaches screened last season will not need to undergo screening this season. The online system will handle the screenings automatically this season, and it can be signed electronically this season! The \$17.50 background screen fee must be submitted before we can process it. All Junior Coaches must be IMPACT certified and sign a Coaches Code of Ethics Form.

**CHECKLIST FOR NON-AFFILIATED (Team) INDIVIDUALS:**

- \_\_\_ 1. Register online or fill out the Carolina Region membership form as stated above and send along with payment directly to the Regional Office.

**CHECKLIST FOR ADDING TEAM PERSONNEL (During season):**

- \_\_\_ 1. Have new participant(s) register online or complete the membership form as stated above.
- \_\_\_ 2. Complete membership application (online or paper) and send proper fee to the Region Office no later than one week prior to participating in a sanctioned event (**Can be Thursday before event with a \$5 late fee**). Include the teamname on all correspondence.

**FEES:**

Type	Individual Regular (PAPER)	Individual Early Bird (PAPER)	Individual Regular (ONLINE)	Individual Early Bird (ONLINE)
Adult	\$45 (After 11/1/08)	\$40 (On/Before 11/1/08)	\$35 (After 11/1/08)	\$30 (On/Before 11/1/08)
Junior	\$45 (After 11/1/08)	\$40 (On/Before 11/1/08)	\$35 (After 11/1/08)	\$30 (On/Before 11/1/08)

**Mail All Applications and Checks To: Carolina Region/USAV, P.O. Box 1757, Clemmons, NC 27012**  
**Fed Ex or UPS Overnight (waive signature) To: 3770 Clemmons Road, Suite C, Clemmons, NC 27012**  
(US Postal Service does overnight to P.O. Boxes - waive signature please on all overnight deliveries)

# TEAM FEE WORKSHEET

## 2008-2009 SEASON

### JUNIOR TEAMS

NOTE: Again this season, you may REGISTER your team with the Carolina Region before the December 1, 2008 deadline to get the reduced fees without including your complete roster. If you do not have your team set yet, you may still send in the Team Registration Form with the team fee by the Early Bird deadline to get the Team price discount! Once you have your players set, the person set up as your club administrator online may add players to your team through the online system (if they chose your club during their registration) or you can send the names to the Region Office and we will add them to your roster. This procedure will allow us to have a better idea of the number of teams in each age division at an earlier date and allow us to begin setting the schedule earlier (we hope!).

EARLY BIRD (Sending in for Region to receive on/before December 1, 2008)

Early Bird Junior Team Fee - \$60

REGULAR (Sending in for Region to receive after December 1, 2008)

Regular Junior Team Fee - \$65

### JUNIOR CLUB INFO

**New for 2009 – The Carolina Region has eliminated the \$60 Club fee for player movement privileges!** All multi-team clubs will be eligible to use Club Player Movement within the guidelines of the policy (available in 2009 Operating Code and at the Frequently Asked Questions section of website). The Club Information Sheet will now only be used to update your club information in the online system.

The Carolina Region has instituted a price discount for multi-team clubs that register their teams before December 1, 2008. The discounts are based on the number of teams in your club:

If you have FIVE or fewer teams in your club, then ALL teams pay \$60 each  
Example, Club A has 4 teams in the club:  $4 \text{ teams} * \$60 = \$240$  total by Dec. 1

If you have SIX to ELEVEN teams in your club, then the team fee breakdown is:  
Teams 1- 5 pay \$60 EACH; teams 6-11 pay \$50 each;  
Example, Club B has 9 teams in the club:  $(5 \text{ teams} * \$60) + (4 \text{ teams} * \$50) = \$500$  total by Dec 1

If you have more than TWELVE teams in your club, then the team fee breakdown is:  
Teams 1- 5 pay \$60 EACH; teams 6-11 pay \$50 each; teams 12 + pay \$45 each;  
Example, Club C has 14 teams in the club:  $(5 \text{ teams} * \$60) + (6 \text{ teams} * \$50) + (3 \text{ teams} * \$45) = \$735$  by Dec 1

**All teams formed into that Club after the December 1 deadline will pay the REGULAR team fees of \$65 per team.**

**PLEASE WRITE ONLY ONE CHECK PAYABLE TO “CAROLINA REGION” AND INCLUDE WITH ALL REQUIRED FORMS (Club Information Sheet and Team Registration Form for each team). One paypal payment for all teams can be submitted also as long as the note with that payment details all teams that the payment covers.**



### JUNIOR TEAM REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

1. There IS a Team Registration form this season. **This form is required in order to register a team with the Carolina Region. We request that all individual registrations be handled online this season by the individual requesting membership (and parent/guardian for junior members)**, but we will accept the paper 2009 membership form if submitted. Illegible forms will be returned and your registration will be delayed. The forms are self-explanatory. You won't have any problems if you read this packet carefully and follow the enclosed Checklist. Please contact the Region Office if you have other questions.
2. ALL teams must have a UNIQUE Team Rep (a person can only be the team rep for one team in our system, but one person may still handle all your administrative duties within your club if you wish). Your coach may act as your unique team rep if you wish. Remember that coaches and team reps must register as members of the team, as do any other individuals wishing insurance coverage. All adults registering with a junior team must pass a background screen every two seasons.
3. **No** team will be legal until six players have fully registered and been added to the team's roster. However, individuals that are not affiliated with a team (officials, coaches, tournament directors, etc) may register at any time. To add a player to a team after a team has been registered, the player may register online and select the club they are affiliating with. Once the Region clears that member as being paid and submitting a signed waiver, the Club Administrator will be able to add that member to a team in the club (or the Region will do it). Teams should register in the Age Division of their oldest junior player (teams will have to play in that division regardless of whether the oldest player(s) attend a particular event or not). Teams may sign up for Platinum, Gold, Silver, Bronze, or Copper in each age group (if enough teams are available in their age group). All team Division assignments are subject to review during the season by the Junior Division of the Board of Directors. We will explain this season's tournament plans further at the mandatory coaches meetings.
4. Please submit the original required forms in **INK** (not faxed or copy machine copies). Complete the forms carefully and accurately. Improper completion or illegible print will result in the form being returned to you for correction and cause a delay in the processing.
5. Multi-team clubs may qualify for a team fee discount by submitting their team registration forms and payment by December 1. ***All teams in a club must register at the same time and before Dec. 1 to receive the team fee discount.*** Clubs may add teams to the club after December 1 at the regular team fee of \$65 each.
6. Select a team name when registering and use that name when entering and competing in tournaments. Please try to be somewhat original. Be aware that there may be other teams from your area that may choose the same name if you are not original. Durham I or Raleigh II may get you registered, but can be easily confused. Seeding and classification, as well as eligibility depend on tournament directors reporting your team's results accurately. Please limit team names to a maximum of 20 letters. Teams choosing names already selected will have their registration delayed. Each team in a club must have a unique name to distinguish it from the other teams in the club. Each team should include an abbreviated form of the club name in its name and should use that form in all tournament entries and Region correspondence (i.e. PVC-Spike It). The Region reserves the right to edit and/or reject any team name. In case of duplicate team names, first priority will be given to the team that has used that given team name in the past and then based on when registration was received.
7. Correctly prepared application forms, accompanied by the appropriate fees, must be received by the Office not less than seven (7) days prior to the intended date of participation in a sanctioned event by the team or individual player. Special request for registration less than seven days prior to participation will require payment of a late fee of ten dollars (\$10.00) for a team registration and five (\$5.00) for an individual. This late registration must be received by the Office no later than **Thursday** prior to participation on that upcoming weekend. NO telephone registrations can be accepted by the Office. Payment must be received by mail, Paypal, or hand carried to the Office before any registration request can be processed. **When using overnight mail (Federal Express or other), specify that no signature is required or registration may be delayed, and have delivered to 3770 Clemmons Road, Suite C, Clemmons, NC 27012. The US Postal Service does deliver express mail to P.O. Boxes (remember to waive the signature). The office is closed on Saturdays so express mail should go to the PO Box to ensure delivery.**
8. A classification schedule with the appropriate fee indicated is attached for your reference. Submit only **ONE** check or money order, payable to "Carolina Region", in the correct amount to cover all fees including any applicable late fees. *No team registration will be honored until all fees have been received by the Office.* Please remit the correct amount. *Incorrect payment will result in delay in processing your registration. We will not accept Overpayments into credit accounts this season (refund checks will be sent).* Note: Each individual must pay an individual fee, and each team must pay a team fee. The Region does not accept credit cards at this time but you can submit a Paypal payment to the Region at [office@CarolinaRegionVB.org](mailto:office@CarolinaRegionVB.org) (you do not have to register with Paypal and you can pay with credit card through Paypal). If you submit a Paypal payment, fully document what the payment represents to avoid delays.
9. A service charge of twenty dollars (\$20.00) will be charged for all checks returned for non-payment by the bank. No team or individual is eligible for competition until all fees and fines are paid.

## ADDITIONAL REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

1. All individuals registering with the Carolina Region are required to complete a current Waiver and Release of Liability form (whether registering online or with the 2009 membership form). **We are encouraging all individuals to register online this season.** There will be a \$10 discount available for registering online! To register, have your players go to <http://www.CarolinaRegionVB.org/Registration/>. Those players that do not have access to the online registration system or wish to register using the paper form may still do so. The membership form and Waiver and Release of Liability form is available for download and is on one two-sided form. Both sides must be completed in INK. The current form has 2009 at the top. This is the only acceptable form (previous year's forms will not be accepted). Please complete all requested information and sign in all indicated spaces. **All registrations must contain birthdate information and Juniors must provide their school grade.** The Carolina Region has adopted the USAV Participant Code of Conduct. A copy is available for download on the website and is to be kept by each participant. The disciplinary policy is listed on the form. No team or individual will be permitted to participate in USAV competition without a signed copy of these forms on file in the Region office (or electronically in the online registration system). Sorry, but that's the only way to keep our insurance in force. Both the Adult and Junior registration fees provide each member with liability and secondary health/accident insurance. See the Team Handbook online for a description of the coverage. Included for Junior teams is a **medical history and release form. Do not return this form with your registration. Keep a copy of this form with the team at all practices and competitions.** *North Carolina does not currently require these forms to be notarized, but if you plan to travel outside of the state (especially to Florida) you may want to have them notarized as other states may require them to be notarized.*
2. All individuals wishing to coach Junior Volleyball athletes must sign a Junior Coaches Code of Ethics form each season (this form can be submitted online this season!). **All adults registering with a Junior team (as coach, team rep, club rep, chaperone, etc) must pass a Background screen every two seasons in order to be registered with a Junior team!** The online system will track your expiration date and tell you if you need to be screened this season. The online system also handles the Background Screen automatically and can be signed electronically this season! The Background Screen fee is \$17.50 and must be received before the screen can be processed. It takes up to 5 business days for the Background Screen Vendor to process, so the region recommends adults applying at least 7 business days before their first sanctioned event. The individual's online record will be updated when the screen is passed (or failed). Coaches also must be IMPACT or CAP certified and annually attend a coaching clinic approved by the Region. Coaches that have not been IMPACT (or CAP) certified will not be added to a team's tournament roster until they attend a Full IMPACT clinic.
3. **High Performance Donation Program:** USA Volleyball has instituted a donation program to provide funds for its High Performance Programs. This is an OPTIONAL donation to benefit and grow the level of volleyball in the U.S. There is a box included on the registration form that individuals can check to donate \$5 to the High Performance programs. \$4 will go to USA Volleyball for their Girl's & Boy's High Performance programs and Men's & Women's National teams (\$1each). \$1 will remain in the Carolina Region to be used to develop our own High Performance programs to benefit our players. If you wish to participate in this optional donation, please check the appropriate box online or on your form and include an additional \$5 on your registration fees. Thank you for your support.
4. **Email:** The majority of the communication by the Carolina Region is now done by email. All members are encouraged to provide a current email address. **Team and Club Reps are required to provide an email address.** Those members providing email will also be added to USA Volleyball's email newsletter, *Rotations*. Members can choose to opt out of this service online or on their member form and they may unsubscribe at any time by following the directions at bottom of each email. We will also be providing the Carolina Region's newsletter, *Carolina Volleyball Review*, online only this season to help us keep our costs down and conserve resources.
5. **Online Registration:** USA Volleyball's online registration system is fully operational this season and this will be the system the Carolina Region uses from now on to register individuals and teams. Members have access to their personal accounts to update their personal information, view their team affiliations, and print membership cards. Each Club (whether one team only or multiple teams) will have someone designated as a Club Administrator on the system and that person will have the ability to print their teams' tournament entry forms and rosters, email all the members in their club, and many more capabilities to come. Additional details and information are available on our website, [www.CarolinaRegionVB.org/Registration/](http://www.CarolinaRegionVB.org/Registration/).

## SUMMARY:

Send all registration requests and forms to:

Carolina Region/USAV  
Attn: Registration  
PO Box 1757  
Clemmons, North Carolina 27012  
Or E-mail: [office@CarolinaRegionVB.org](mailto:office@CarolinaRegionVB.org)

You may have registration questions answered by calling the Region info-line at 336.766.3581 between the hours of 7:30 am - 12:00 pm or 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm. At all other times you may leave a message. Our web page will always have the most up-to-date information.

NOTE: Each member's USA Volleyball member number will look different this season (as a result of the online system). There is no longer a Team Number associated with your USAV number! USAV Numbers will look like this – CR000001FJ09. CR is for Carolina Region. The "000001" is individual's unique ID in the system. It will be unique for each member. The "FJ" is your individual gender and member category. Some examples of individual labels are FR, MR, FJ, or MJ for Male and Female, Regular or Junior (one-events would be EA or EJ). The "09" is the membership year (2009).

## **SPECIAL INFORMATION**

**A. Tournament Registration:** The Region will use centralized tournament registration again this year. All tournament entry forms must be submitted to the Region Office. A blank tournament entry form is available for download at the website that can be used to enter tournaments until your teams are formed in the online system. **After your teams are formed, your Club Administrator will be able to download a tournament entry form with your team's information pre-printed on it through our online system. Use it to enter all tournaments.** **NOTE: Individuals will not receive USAV membership cards this season.** All members will receive a member verification email when their membership is approved. Members will then be able to log in to their member account and print a membership card. The Club Administrator will also be able to print off membership information for their club members. All tournaments (with the exception of the Junior Hi Neighbor & Quest, which have entry direct to the tournament) will accept entries only through the Region Office. Regular season Junior tournament entry fees are \$120, with \$30 going toward officiating expenses, \$5 to provide trainers at tournaments, \$15 administration fee, and \$65-\$70 going to the tournament host. Regional Championship tournament entries will be \$140. **The three-week entry deadline before tournaments will be strictly enforced. Late entries may be accepted on a space available basis with a \$25 surcharge.** Check the schedule (our web page is always the most current so if sites are not listed, then we don't know them yet – please be patient!), get your entries in early (note that you can enter several tournaments at the same time with one mailing and one check), and enjoy the season. Returned checks are subject to a \$20 service charge and no team with outstanding fines is eligible to play. You may also enter tournaments with a PayPal Payment through our Online Payment page. Tournament Entry forms do not need to be mailed in if you pay through PayPal as long as the payment includes all relevant information (tournament date and team name).

**B. All-Region, Sportsmanship and Officiating Awards:** ALL divisions at Regional Championships will again name an All-Tournament Team. The All-Tournament Team will consist of three players off the Championship team, two players off the Finalist team, one player each from the losing semi-finalist teams, and an MVP (does not have to come from the champion team). The coaches of the participating semi-finals/finals teams will nominate their players to the All-Tournament team. The Team Sportsmanship Award nomination procedure has changed this season. Our Paid officials and Tournament Directors will be asked to submit on their post-event report the names of teams to be nominated for a Team Sportsmanship Award. Teams with the most votes will be recognized with an award at the Regional Championships or after the season. This means that some divisions may not have an award winner and other divisions may have more than one. The Region feels Team Sportsmanship shouldn't be limited to one team per age division. If multiple teams deserve it in a specific age division, then they will be recognized! We are looking for teams that show sportsmanship on and off the court. Examples include making honor calls, cleaning up their benches and camp sections at the end of a match or tournament, volunteering to officiate to let further away teams leave early, etc. We will survey the membership at the end of the season to see if this change was beneficial and whether to keep the Sportsmanship recognition program. Our adult referees will also continue to nominate teams that show dedication and skill while officiating. This includes all aspects of officiating – first referee, second referee, score keepers, and line judges. Outstanding first referees will continue to be recognized and asked to be Junior Regional referees. We hope our coaches, parents, and teams will support our efforts to recognize these team and individual accomplishments.

**C. Officiating:** All Junior teams must have two USAV certified referees, one (different) scorekeeper, and **one certified coach/rostered adult on their roster (teams may not participate in a sanctioned event until they meet this requirement!).** Only those individuals that have completed their certification may perform the duties of first referee, second referee, or scorekeeper at sanctioned events (there are penalties for not using certified officials this season). **The certified coach or rostered adult must physically supervise their team while in the vicinity of the score table at all times during the team's officiating assignment.** Incomplete work teams (including the certified coach/rostered adult that is not supervising their team in the vicinity of the score table) may be penalized one point per-minute that they are incomplete to a maximum of 25 points off their next match. Certification clinics will be announced on our website. Junior teams will not be permitted to participate in a sanctioned Carolina Region tournament until they meet the minimum officiating requirements. All referees & scorekeepers must attend a clinic each season to renew their certification. This season, we will hold two types of clinics: (1) Recertification clinics, and (2) Full/Regular clinics. **Again this year** the recertification clinic **will be online (the test is built into the clinic)** and is for those referees and scorekeepers that have been certified for at least the past two seasons and only need a refresher clinic to prepare for the new season. The Full/Regular clinics will be for all new officials and any other returning officials that would like to attend a full clinic. For Full/Regular clinics, Referees will attend the entire session (i.e. must be certified scorer also to referee). Scorekeepers only may just attend the scorekeeper portion and then leave. Attendees at all Full/Regular clinics will take the appropriate tests at the site. If they make an 80 or higher on the test(s), they will be eligible to take the online clinics in future seasons.

The Region will hold three Region-sponsored clinics: The clinic schedule is still being developed –see our Officials section on website for updates. All clinic sites will have a re-cert clinic (for junior officials that have been certified each of the past TWO seasons) from 9 am – 12 noon. A full officiating clinic for everyone else will be held from 1 pm – 6 pm (at all clinic sites). Players attending a Region-sponsored clinic must pre-register at least 1 week in advance (online or by email), and teams may not send any more than 5 players per team to a Region-sponsored clinic. To signup online, go to [www.CarolinaRegionVB.org/Officials/](http://www.CarolinaRegionVB.org/Officials/) and go to “Clinic Information” menu in the Red menu for a link to the signup form. All major and mid-size clubs/teams are encouraged to setup their own clinic dates and sites. The Region will work with the clubs to provide clinicians. All clinics must still be approved by the Region in advance so they can be announced and other smaller clubs/teams may attend them (clubs may charge a fee for outside teams attending). Please set your dates and sites early, so the clinics can be announced on our web site with plenty of notice. *See the “Host Your Own Clinic” information sheet at our Officials section of website for more information on setting up your clinics!*

**NOTE TO REFEREES & SCOREKEEPERS:** All officials (adult and junior) must attend a clinic each season, even if your certification has not expired (to take the annual exam). Directions to all sites are available at the web site.

**D. Uniform Rule:** During the indoor sanctioned season, all teams must abide by the uniform rule that requires team uniforms to be identical in color and design and conform to USA Volleyball regulations regarding jersey numbers. For the 2008/2009 season, USA Volleyball rules recommend that the numbers on the front of uniforms to be at least 6 inches in height and at least 8 inches on the back with a minimum width of 3/4". Numbers must be centered on the front and back. Be sure to consult the rule book or web page (FAQ) for specifics on the uniform requirements (regular players and Libero). It is permissible for shorts to have a minor difference in style and trim. Teams may petition in writing to the Region to receive waivers on the uniform requirements. Teams may be subject to more stringent uniform requirements (consult rule book) when playing at the Asheville Hi Neighbor (or other sanctioned inter-Regional tournament), in other Regions, or at the USAV National Championships. Players are forbidden to wear any article - pins, jewelry, glitter, etc. - which may cause injury during the play of the game. **Casts are no longer permitted to be worn during play, even if padded.**

**E. Junior Volleyball Info:** Due to the change in tournament scheduling this season (all divisions play throughout the season) all teams must play in **three** regular season tournaments (a National Qualifier can count as ONE this year), and all individual players in **two** tournaments to be eligible for the Regional Championships in their respective divisions. Our 2009 Junior Olympic National Bids will be determined in stand-alone bid tournaments on April 18 and April 25 (if it fits into the USAV deadline for notifying USAV of our bid winners). Only teams that submit the National Entry and that would accept the Region's bid should they win the bid **will be allowed to compete for a bid**. All Platinum teams will receive a letter about this later in the season when more details from USAV are known. Teams may be split into Platinum, Gold, Silver, Bronze, and Copper Divisions in all Age Divisions (# of teams permitting). **We will discuss this season's plans in detail at the Coaches Meetings (schedule TBA), so every team/club should be represented at one of these important meetings.** With the first three regular season tournaments, the Region will automatically move the top two teams in the Points Standings in Gold, Silver, Bronze, and Copper to the next highest division and move the bottom two teams in the Points Standings in Platinum, Gold, Silver, and Bronze to the next lowest division (**NOTE: we may move more, less, or none at all in some divisions after the first tournament in order to help balance the division sizes**). Additional moves may be made if results warrant such a move later in the season. No movements will occur after March 1 unless absolutely necessary. *Remember: Any Coach of a Junior team must be at least two years older than the age level of the team they are coaching, and a minimum of 18 years of age. In addition, if the Head Coach of a Junior team is under the age of 25, the team must have either an adult over the age of 25 as assistant coach or chaperone, preferably of the same sex as the team (must be registered with team). **This adult must be identified at the Coaches Meeting as present at the tournament in order for the team to participate.** All adults affiliated with a Junior team (team rep, club rep, coach, chaperone, trainer, etc) **MUST** pass a Background Screen every two seasons in order to be registered with the team.*

**Coaching Clinics:** There will be THREE joint IMPACT (required for all coaches who have not previously attended an IMPACT clinic) coaches clinics and Region informational meetings this season. Junior coaches can choose the one that best fits their schedule and travel plans to attend. Attendance at one of these meetings is required for all Junior coaches. Team/Club Reps (if they are different) are also encouraged to come to the meeting session in order to gather important information on the coming season. The three clinic sites will be announced on the Coaches section of our website as soon as they are confirmed. The clinics will last from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm (if staying for entire IMPACT clinic). The general information meeting will be held first, followed by the gym session of the IMPACT clinic. Coaches can now check their IMPACT certification status on our web page and by logging into their membership account! We are asking all attendees to pre-register so we know how many to prepare for. A link to pre-register is provided on the Coaching section of the website where these clinics are announced. The Region will probably hold at least one more IMPACT clinic to catch those not able to attend these first three, but all clubs/teams should be represented at the meeting even if the coach can't make it (a parent rep can attend).

**F. Background Screens:** All Regions of USA Volleyball have adopted the Regional Volleyball Associations of USA Volleyball Background Screening Policy. All adults including but not limited to team reps, club reps, coaches, assistant coaches, chaperones, and trainers must pass a background screen every two seasons. Forms associated with the Background Screen process are available on our website (the online registration system handles the background screening automatically for all adults affiliating with a Junior club that need the screening including electronic signatures of the consent form this season!). No adult will be registered with a junior team until they pass the Background Screen. The cost of the Background Screen is \$17.50 and is in addition to the adult membership fee. **NOTE:** All adult officials working the Junior tournaments will need to pass the background screen also. The Region will pay the \$17.50 Background screen for our officials.

**G. Tournaments:** The lifeblood of the Carolina Region and USA Volleyball is the dedicated people who spend the time and energy to host tournaments. You too can be one of these special people!! Just complete a Tournament Sanction Request Form and return it to the Region Office. If your tournament is sanctioned you will receive a Handbook and assistance to guide you in making your tournament a success. Contact the Office or see our Tournament Director section on the website ([www.CarolinaRegionVB.org/TrnDir/](http://www.CarolinaRegionVB.org/TrnDir/)) for more information.

**H. Player Movement Within Club:** All multi-team Junior clubs will be able to have Player movement in 2009 (no fee required). Player movement (either Temporary or Permanent) in a club is restricted to one Divisional level when moving down (if more than two divisions are offered). There is no restriction on moving up, that is, a Player on a Copper team may play with any team in the same Junior club of any Division (**Note: Age restrictions must still be met!**). All such player movement must be recorded by a club officer and submitted to all affected tournament hosts before the start of competition (with the roster at Coaches' Meeting). Again for 2009: All Boys teams will be considered part of the same club. Boys teams are still restricted to the procedures below when utilizing Player Movement.

Player Movement Restrictions:

- Players registered on a club team and participating in sanctioned competition within the jurisdiction of the Carolina Region may participate with another team from the same club having a **higher** classification a maximum of **two (2)** times before the two weeks prior to their division's Regional Championships. Remember: rosters are frozen (no additions or moves) 2 weeks before a Division's Regional Championships.
- Players may participate with a team having a **lower** classification than the one with who the player is registered a maximum of **one (1)** time before the two weeks prior to their Division's Regional Championships. Any registered Club player may continue participation with another team in the same club (subject to the above restrictions) upon notifying the Office of a permanent roster change.
- Players may participate with two teams on a given weekend provided: (a) the divisions are playing on different days (i.e. 16 Silver on Saturday, 16 Bronze on Sunday); (b) all other Player Movement Requirements described here are followed (limit of 2 moves per season, Movement Form filled out, etc.); (c) for clubs with combined adult and juniors teams, a junior player **MUST** play with his/her junior team if that team is playing on the same day as an adult tournament. If the adult division is playing on a different day, then the junior player may move under the provisions of the Club Movement Policy.
- After a player has participated with another club team in a different division two times, the player shall be frozen to the roster of their original team unless a permanent roster move is reported to the Region Office.
- There is no limit and **the same reporting requirements as above** on movement of players between teams in the same club in the same classification (17 Copper to 17 Copper, 16 Silver to 16 Silver, etc.).
- Players registered as unaffiliated (member of the club but not on a team) must still fill out a Club Movement Form if desiring to play on a team within their club and are still limited by the restrictions above.
- Registered unaffiliated members in the Region (not on any team) must first join a club and/or team before they can play in a tournament.

Team Movement Restrictions:

- Teams may use at most two (2) Club players in any given tournament.
- Teams may use at most one (1) player from a higher division in any given tournament.
- Teams may use at most two (2) players from a higher division per season.
- Teams are limited to accepting up to two (2) permanent moves per season. If a permanent move is made with the intent to play in the Regional Championships, then ideally the player being moved should have played at least once with that team during the regular season under a normal player movement. The Region will always hear petitions for extenuating circumstances.

Clubs failing to comply with the reporting requirements will have the player movement privilege suspended. Report forms are available on the Forms section of our website.

**I. Price Discount for Youth & Boy's:** As an incentive for clubs/teams to provide training and programs in developmental age groups (they do not have to form teams to play in tournaments but you are providing the opportunity to grow a love for the sport for players at younger ages), the Region is offering two new membership categories this season both at a \$15 fee: Youth (all girls 11 and younger) and all Boys (18 and younger). **NOTE: For girls clubs – if a player will be playing on a team playing in a National Qualifier or the Junior Olympic Volleyball Championships, USA Volleyball requires all participants to be FULL members (Youth category is not a full membership by their definition). Those players will need to join as a Junior member in order to play in those events.** Help us hook the next generation of volleyball players on this sport!

**J. One-Event Registrations:** The Carolina Region also offers a one-event (one-day tournaments only) registration category for new players that want to experience Carolina Region tournaments to see what it is like or as an option when a team needs to pick up a player in order to play in a tournament. Players using this category must still register online or complete the membership form (completed front & back, signed by parent/guardian for juniors), check the one-event category box, indicate the event they are participating in on the form, pay the one-event fee of \$5, and submit the membership form and fee at least one week before the tournament. A one-event can also be added as late as Thursday before the tournament with the \$5 late fee (i.e. same registration requirements as regular members). Players may only play as a one-event registration twice during the indoor season and then must upgrade to a full registration (at regular fee). An additional form would not need to be completed when upgrading or using one-event category a second time. The Region will allow a team to be formed in the one-event category once per season. Each player would pay \$5 and the one-event team fee would be \$10. The deadline for receipt of registrations remains the same as above (one week before). If the team wanted to do the one-event category again, no more than three of the original players can be on the second team's roster. Players wishing to play in a multi-day tournament (Jr Hi, Hi Neighbor, Quest tournaments) may register as a multi-day one-event member for \$10. The same requirements and deadlines per above apply.

**K. Junior Boys Information:** If competitive opportunities for the Boys' 14's (or under) do not meet their needs, they will be permitted to enter appropriate level girls' 15's to 18's tournaments. In such a situation, games against boys' teams will count in pool standings, and the boys teams WILL be able to advance to playoffs if they qualify (however, if a boys team makes the playoffs of a girl's tournament they will automatically be moved to a higher division their next tournament). Again for 2009: For the Boys' 13-and-under age group, teams will be allowed to form coed rosters in order to encourage participation for boys and girls at this age group. The Junior Division will work with these teams to find an appropriate Girl's division to play in.

**L. Faxed Information/Copies and Credit Cards:** USA Volleyball and our insurance company require us to have original signatures on file for our members. We will accept faxes to the Region Office, but memberships cannot be processed until payment is received in the office also. Any faxed or copies of membership forms that are submitted to the Region will require the original membership form to be submitted to the Region within 1 week (if not received within 1 week, membership privileges may be suspended). Please submit the original membership forms with original signatures in PEN to avoid registration delays. The Region has opened a PayPal account to accept credit cards. If you would like to pay your registration or tournament entries by credit card, go to <http://www.carolinaregionvb.org/Payments/jrpaymentcenter.html> and find the appropriate box to submit a PayPal payment to the Region (there is a box at bottom to enter any amount for items not listed). You can also go to [www.paypal.com](http://www.paypal.com), click on the "Send Money" tab at the top, use [office@CarolinaRegionVB.org](mailto:office@CarolinaRegionVB.org) as the email to send to, and be sure to include in the note the teamname and any other pertinent details (tournament date, division, number of players/teams registering, etc).

#### **M. ADDITIONAL FORMS/INFORMATION:**

Please go to [www.CarolinaRegionVB.org](http://www.CarolinaRegionVB.org) and visit the Junior section (Blue menu), the Forms section (Red menu), and the Tournament Director section (Blue menu) to download additional forms that you may need for Registration/Tournaments:

- (a) Team Registration Form
- (b) Event/Practice Sanction Request Form (not for tournament requests)
- (c) Club Player Movement Form
- (d) Blank Tournament Entry Form
- (e) 2008 Membership Form
- (f) USAV Participant Code of Conduct
- (g) Host Your Own Clinic Information
- (h) Insurance Forms and Information
- (i) Junior Team Handbook
- (j) Tournament Sanction Request Form

Plus even more information on Carolina Region volleyball. Have a great season!

### Classification and Fee Schedule

*To encourage early registration, the Carolina Region has established a two tier registration fee schedule. For those individuals registering before the cut-off date of November 1, (new this season – adults and junior individuals are the SAME date!) early registration fees have been established. All registration materials and the correct fees must be in the **Office's possession** by that date to qualify for the early INDIVIDUAL fee.*

**NOTE: There is an ADDITIONAL \$10 discount for regular INDIVIDUAL FEES below if member REGISTERS ONLINE!!**

#### **INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATION**

Classification	Description	Regular Fee	Early Fee
Junior (players only; not adults affiliated with Junior teams)	18 and under - Players who were born on or after Sept. 1, 1990 or Players who were born on or after September 1, 1989 AND a high school student during some part of the current academic year. 17 and under - Players who were born on or after Sept. 1, 1991. 16 and under - Players who were born on or after Sept. 1, 1992. 15 and under - Players who were born on or after Sept. 1, 1993. 14 and under - Players who were born on or after Sept. 1, 1994. 13 and under - Players who were born on or after Sept. 1, 1995. 12 and under - Players who were born on or after Sept. 1, 1996.	\$45 (after 11/1)	\$40 (on/before 11/1)
Regular (ALL adults)	Amateur playing status for men and women who are registered on duly sanctioned teams; team reps, coaches and officials.	\$45 (after 11/1)	\$40 (on/before 11/1)
Collegiate	Players who have completed their intercollegiate eligibility in the current year. (NOT college Club players-call office for details)	\$10	\$10
Other	Youth (age 11 and younger)		\$15
	Boys (ages 18 and younger)		\$15
	Non-playing supporters of volleyball		\$40 (on/before Nov 1); \$45 (After Nov 1)
	Summer (after May 1, 2009)		\$15
	One Event – one-day (Limit two per season)		\$5 (\$10 for multi-day one event)
	Facility/League		Please inquire
Patron	Groups or organizations desiring to support or participate in Carolina Region volleyball.		\$50

#### **TEAM REGISTRATION**

Classification	Description	Regular Fee	Early Fee
Junior	All players must qualify as Junior members of USA Volleyball	\$65 (after 12/1)	\$60 (before 12/1)
Regular/Adult	All teams not qualifying for the above classifications.	\$65 (after 11/1)	\$60 (before 11/1)

#### **CLUB REGISTRATION (EARLY REGISTRATION ONLY)**

Club fee	Club fee has been eliminated for all clubs. All clubs have privilege of player movement this season!		
If 1-5 teams	JUNIORS - All teams pay \$60 each		
If Club has 1-11 teams	JUNIORS - teams 1-5 pay \$60 each first; then teams 6-11 pay \$50 each		
If 12 or more Teams in club	JUNIORS - teams 1-5 pay \$60 each; then teams 6-11 pay \$50 each; then teams 12 and above pay \$45 each		

The above Club structure team fees applies to JUNIOR Early Group Registration only. The president of any club will submit the Club Information Sheet to the Region which includes all officer's addresses, phone numbers and all teams included in the club. Clubs may register individuals with the Region as club members who are not assigned to a particular team. Such individuals are eligible to participate with any team in the club at their level, subject to the Region's player movement regulations. Teams may be added to a club after the Early Bird deadline (Dec 1), but will pay the regular team fee of \$65 for each team thereafter.