

**TO:** Carolina Region Junior Team Representatives

**RE:** 2020-2021 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: We use an online, individual-based registration system, so please be sure to read the accompanying information and pass it along to your club members! We highly encourage all clubs to allow all their players/coaches to apply online and submit their payments directly to the Region.** Additional information/forms can be found at our web page - [CarolinaRegionVB.org](http://CarolinaRegionVB.org)

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

1. **NEW ONLINE ONLY PROCESS FOR 2021!** With a new USAV Member Management System (MMS) for 2021, we are able to offer online Team Registrations for 2021. Club Admins in the MMS will now build their teams in the MMS (Club HQ) and then upload them into the USAV Governing Season. This will still happen after your tryouts and you have finalized your rosters. A Junior team must have SIX players and ONE adult coach on the roster before you submit online. The MMS and USAV have Help documents and Videos in the system to instruct Club Admins on the process for submitting teams in the system. We will post instructions on our website as well.
2. Once your teams are uploaded to the USAV Governing Season, Club Admins will need to go to this [TEAM REGISTRATION LINK](#) to submit additional information for each team to the Carolina Region. Clubs will need to submit the information at the above link for EVERY team that was uploaded in the MMS. Once a team has been submitted in the MMS AND at the link above, the Region Office will send an online Invoice through the MMS for the club to pay the Team Registration fees. All roster submissions and the team fee invoice must be paid at least one week before your first tournament.

**CHECKLIST FOR INDIVIDUAL APPLICATIONS:**

1. Direct all your players to our Online Registration page for information on registering with the Region. USA Volleyball has a new Member Management System (MMS) for individual members as well. This year, applicants will just go to our online registration page and choose the membership they wish to purchase to begin the process. If an applicant is unsure of what membership to purchase, the system has a ‘quizzard’ that can help guide them to the correct membership. Applicants will complete the registration process electronically and submit a credit card payment for their dues. With the new MMS, applicants will see two credit card charges on their statement: (a) a Region fee, and (b) a USAV fee. The fees will total the same member fees we had last season but in two charges instead of one (no dues increase). Please make sure your players understand seeing two charges is normal. Also new for 2021, a family can have only one account and multiple people in the household can be registered with the Carolina Region under that one account.
2. Applicants will not choose a club during the registration process now. Clubs will now invite players and coaches to join their club for the 2021 season from within their HQ account. Clubs should only send invites to players that have committed to the club after the tryout process.
3. USA Volleyball is no longer requiring a Medical Release Form at any of its national events. For that reason, a form is not being prepared or posted to the Region website. A form will not be requested by the Region at any time. If a club still wants to have a form for its internal programs and use, a generic form is available by request from the Region office.
4. All Adults affiliating with a Junior club MUST pass the USAV background screen and submit a Junior Club Personnel Code of Ethics. The online system will handle all these requirements automatically. The applicant will be directed to a separate Background Screen online application where the form and \$30.00 background screen fee will be collected. All Junior Coaches must be IMPACT AND SafeSport certified before they can participate in a Carolina Region-sanctioned tournament. These requirements are associated with the Junior Coach membership, so those applicants will be able to access those courses easily after registering.

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

1. Have new participant(s) register online. Send invitation to join club from within the Club HQ.
2. Add to roster and upload into the USAV Governing season no later than one week prior to participating in a sanctioned event (**Can be Thursday before event with a \$5 late fee**). We will invoice from within the MMS this season.

**FEES:**

Type	Individual Regular (ONLINE)	Individual Early Bird (ONLINE)
Adult	\$45 (After 11/1/20) NOTE: Applicant will see a \$25 Region fee and \$20 USAV fee on CC statement	\$35 (On/Before 11/1/20) NOTE: Applicant will see a \$15 Region fee and \$20 USAV fee on CC statement
Junior	\$55 (After 11/1/20) NOTE: Applicant will see a \$35 Region fee and \$20 USAV fee on CC statement	\$45 (On/Before 11/1/20) NOTE: Applicant will see a \$25 Region fee and \$20 USAV fee on CC statement

# TEAM FEE INFORMATION

## 2020-2021 SEASON

### JUNIOR TEAMS



You may REGISTER your team with the Carolina Region before the December 1, 2020 deadline to get the reduced Early Bird fee. Teams may add additional players to the roster at any time during the season up to the roster limit size (15 players/5 staff). Individuals must be added to the roster at least one week before participation in a tournament (or as late as Thursday before with a \$5 late fee).

#### 2021 Team Registration Process:

- (a) Club Admin will build rosters in the Club HQ account. Once a team has 6 players and 1 coach minimum, Club Admin can upload the team(s) into the USAV Governing Season. Help documents are available in the MMS to guide how to submit rosters in the system. **Clubs must submit ALL teams into the USAV Governing System at once to receive Junior Club multi-team discount.**
- (b) After the teams have been uploaded to the Region, Club Admin must go to the Carolina Region [online Team Registration form](#) to submit additional information about each team. This information will be used to get the teams into our Tournament System.

**No Team Registration forms need to be mailed or faxed to the Carolina Region this season.**

#### FEES:

EARLY BIRD (Sending in for Region to receive on/before December 1, 2020)

Early Bird Junior Team Fee - \$65

REGULAR (Sending in for Region to receive on/after December 2, 2020)

Regular Junior Team Fee - \$75

**New this season, we will invoice the Clubs for the team fees due automatically from within the MMS after the club has submitted the rosters and registered the teams on our Online Team Registration Form.**

### JUNIOR CLUB INFO

All multi-team clubs will be eligible to use Club Player Movement within the guidelines of the policy (available in 2021 Operating Code and at the Frequently Asked Questions section of website).

The Carolina Region has instituted a price discount for multi-team clubs that register ALL their teams TOGETHER BEFORE December 1, 2020. The discounts are based on the number of teams in your club and we **MUST RECEIVE** all team registrations by December 1, 2020 to qualify:

If you have FIVE or fewer teams in your club, then ALL teams pay \$65 each  
Example, Club A has 4 teams in the club: 4 teams \* \$65 = \$260 total

If you have SIX to ELEVEN teams in your club, then the team fee breakdown is:  
Teams 1- 5 pay \$65 EACH; teams 6-11 pay \$60 each;  
Example, Club B has 9 teams in the club: (5 teams \* \$65) + (4 teams \* \$60) = \$565 total

If you have more than TWELVE teams in your club, then the team fee breakdown is:  
Teams 1- 5 pay \$65 EACH; teams 6-11 pay \$60 each; teams 12 + pay \$55 each;  
Example, Club C has 14 teams in the club: (5 teams \* \$65) + (6 teams \* \$60) + (3 teams \* \$55) = \$850

**All teams formed into any Club after the December 1 deadline will pay the REGULAR team fees of \$75 per team. Do not submit any payments to the Region for Team Fees. We will invoice clubs once the rosters and online team registrations are received.**



## JUNIOR TEAM REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

1. All information in this packet has been summarized to aid in Season Registration. Refer to the 2021 Operating Code for the approved Carolina Region policies and procedures.
2. There **IS NOT** a paper Team Registration form this season. Rosters will be submitted online in the Club HQ and additional team information will be submitted through an [online form](#) on the region website. All individual registrations will be handled online this season by the individual requesting membership (and parent/guardian for junior members). 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.
3. ALL teams must have a UNIQUE Team Rep (however, one person may still handle all your administrative duties internally within your club). 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 affiliating with a junior club must pass the USAV background screen and complete the SafeSport course.
4. **No** Junior team will be legal until six players and one adult coach have fully registered and been added to the team's roster. To add a player/coach to a team after a team has been uploaded into the USAV Governing Season, the player/coach must obtain their USAV membership and accept the invitation into the Club for the season. Once all membership requirements are met, the club admin can add the individual to a roster in their HQ. Contact the Region to have the roster updated roster uploaded into the USAV Governing season. All adults will need to clear their USAV background screen and complete SafeSport before they can be added to a roster. 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 will sign up for either the EAST or WEST Geographic area (a North/South line through Greensboro is the approximate split of East/West in the Region for scheduling purposes) and an initial starting Group (Labeled 1-5 and corresponds to whether team thinks they are 1-top 20% of all teams in age group; 2-next 20%; 3-next 20%; 4-next 20%; and 5-bottom 20% of all teams in age group. After the initial selection, teams will move up/down the points system strictly on results of their matches.
5. Multi-team clubs may qualify for a team fee discount by submitting their team registrations by December 1. ***All teams in a club must be submitted online 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 \$75 each.
6. Select a team name when registering and use that name when entering and competing in tournaments. 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. All individual and team registrations must be completed 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 completed no later than **Thursday** prior to participation on that upcoming weekend. NO telephone registrations can be accepted by the Office. All team fee and late fee payments will now be invoiced directly to the Club or individual through the USAV MMS and payment must be received before participation is allowed.
8. A classification schedule with the appropriate fee indicated is attached for your reference only. **All team fees due will be by invoice only this season so do not submit any payments until invoiced.**
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 sanctions are paid.

## ADDITIONAL REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

1. To register, have your players and coaches go to the Registration section of our website. All individuals registering with the Carolina Region are required to accept and acknowledge a current USAV Waiver and Release of Liability and USAV Participant Code of Conduct policy. This requirement is handled automatically during the online application process. A copy of both documents is available for download on our Forms section and can be kept for reference. The USAV disciplinary policy is listed on the Participant Code of Conduct form. No individual will be permitted to participate in USAV competition without a current USAV membership with an “Eligible” status. Sorry, but that's the only way to keep the USAV 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.
2. USAV is no longer requiring the Medical Release Form at any of its National-sanctioned events. This form will no longer be included in the annual season documents provided on our Forms page. If a club still wants to have a Medical Release form for its own internal use, contact the Region office and we can send you a generic form to adapt for your uses. .
3. All adults affiliating with a Junior Club this season must agree to the Junior Club Personnel Code of Ethics form each season (will be submitted online during the online application process). **All adults registering with a Junior team (as coach, team rep, club rep, chaperone, etc) must pass the USAV Background screen in order to be rostered on a Junior team!** The online system handles the Background Screen automatically and can be signed electronically! The Background Screen fee is \$30.00 and will be collected separately during the application process. It takes up to 5 business days for the Vendor to process, so the Region recommends adults apply at least 7 business days before their first sanctioned event. The individual's account will be updated when the screen is passed (or failed). Coaches must be IMPACT or CAP certified and keep their Coaching Eligibility status current. All Coaches must have a current SafeSport certification in their account also. Coaches needing their SafeSport certification will automatically be registered for the course when they apply for the Junior Coach membership. Coaches that have not been IMPACT/SafeSport (or CAP) certified will not be eligible to be added to a team's tournament roster until they attain their certifications. USAV offers FREE online IMPACT webinars On-Demand during the season.
4. **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. Members can donate \$5 to the High Performance programs. \$4 will be 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. With the new MMS, the optional donation is not currently part of the application process. If you wish to participate in this optional donation, please send an email to the [Region office](#) and we can send you an invoice inside the MMS to make a donation. Thank you for your support. The Region will also accept other larger, tax-deductible donations to support our mission. Please consider showing your support for North Carolina Volleyball by making a generous donation. Contact the [Region Office](#) for more information.
5. **Email:** The majority of the communication by the Carolina Region is now done by email. All members will provide a current email address when registering. Those members providing email will also be added to USA Volleyball's email newsletter. 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.
6. **Online Registration:** USA Volleyball's has moved to a new Member Management System (MMS) provided by SportsEngine this season. 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 provide digital 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. All Club activities are handled in their HQ section. **NOTE: All USAV clubs will have a free version of the HQ that will allow them to do everything needed to affiliate with USAV and submit rosters. SportsEngine has a paid/premium HQ that clubs may choose to upgrade to in order to perform additional functions to run your club. The paid/premium HQ is NOT required to register with USAV. It is an optional add-on only.** Additional details and information on the new MMS are available on our website.

## SUMMARY:

All individual and team registrations will be handled online this season. Comprehensive help documents and videos are available for the new MMS on our website and inside the MMS system. If you have questions on Carolina Region registration procedures, please see our website at <https://www.carolinaregionvb.org> or email our office at [office@carolinaregionvb.org](mailto:office@carolinaregionvb.org)

## ***SPECIAL INFORMATION***

**A. Tournament Registration:** The Region will use centralized tournament registration again this year. All tournament entry forms/payments must be submitted to the Region Office for our sanctioned one-day tournaments. 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. **NOTE: Individuals will not receive USAV membership cards this season.** All members will have a digital USAV membership card in the MMS. The Club Administrator will also be able to view membership information for their club members once they have accepted their invite into the club. All tournaments (with the exception of special events including MAPL, Queen City, Jr 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 \$175. Regional Championship tournament entries will be \$200. **The TWO-week entry deadline before tournaments will be strictly enforced. Late entries may be accepted on a space available basis with a \$25 surcharge (ALL late fees are now being designated to the Region's HP Program) BUT spaces will be EXTREMELY limited due to the process used to assign tournament sites (see Section E for more info).** 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 payment), 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-Tournament Teams and Junior Regional Officials:** We will only name an All-Tournament Team (ATT) at the overall Carolina Regional Championship tournaments where the top teams from the East and West come together to decide the Regional Champions. The ATT 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 ATT. An ATT team will not be named at the individual East and West Championship sites, but we will award an MVP for each of those sites in 2021. The top two finishing teams will receive individual awards at all Regional Championships Events. The Officials Division has implemented a Junior Regional Referee and Scorer rating system to identify the next generation of officials! Outstanding Junior Officials may ask to be rated by National and Junior National Referees in order to receive a Junior Regional Rating. Referees that attain this certification will be receive a patch and CR branded referee gear and be recognized on the Carolina Region website!

**C. Officiating:** At a minimum and from among the junior players on the team roster, all Junior teams must have two USAV certified referees and one (different) USAV certified scorer on their roster. In addition, Junior teams must have one USAV certified adult (Coach, Chaperone, or Team Rep) Referee on their roster. Junior teams will not be permitted to participate in a sanctioned Carolina Region tournament until they meet the minimum officiating requirements. Only those individuals that have completed their certification may perform the duties of first referee, second referee, or scorer at sanctioned events (there are penalties for not using certified officials this season). When assigned to work as an officiating team for a match, only the certified junior players may work as R1, R2, or Scorer. **The certified 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 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. All referees & scorers must attend a clinic each season to renew their certification. **NEW for 2021 – the Scorer clinic will be the only clinic available to be taken in person.** Both the Referee and Scorer clinics will be available online again this season in a new (and improved) Learning Management System. EVERYONE is eligible to take the clinics online this season. If a club does decide to host an in-person Scorer clinic, attendees will complete all requirements needed for certification at the clinic. They could then take the Referee clinic online to complete their referee certifications if they need that certification. Clinics taken online will have their results flow automatically into their member account so their status is updated automatically.

The Region will not hold any Region-sponsored clinics this season. All in-person clinics **will be Scorer clinics only** and hosted by a Club and that club will determine who is able to attend (some will open up to other clubs; others will be club only participation). **Again for 2021: Clubs with over 5 teams that host an in-person clinic will be open to the 14-and-under age groups only.** The Scorer clinic will run for about 2-3 hours, and the clubs will set the start time based on the day and facility used. We are still waiting to see how in-person clinic results will be handled in the new MMS. Once we determine that, we will post updated instructions at our Clinics section of the website. Pre-registration for in-person clinic may be required to aid in processing clinic results. Check the site for updates before your scheduled clinic. 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).

**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 2020/2021 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. 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 Quest, MAPL, Queen City (or other sanctioned inter-Regional tournament), in other Regions, or at the USAV National Championships. Players are forbidden to wear any article - pins, 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:** All teams must play in **three** regular season tournaments to be eligible for a Regional Championship Event. At least one of those tournaments must have been a Carolina Region one-day tournament. The other two events may consist of any two of the following if held BEFORE the Regional Championships: (a) One or Two Carolina Region one-day tournaments; (b) Any two-day Carolina Region sanctioned event whose only criteria is date of entry (examples: Quest pre-season tournament and the Queen City Classic); (c) Only ONE of the following tournaments: a National Qualifier or any other Carolina Region sanctioned event with a restricted access entry criteria (example: MAPL Raleigh). All individual players must play in **two** tournaments to be eligible for a Regional Championship Event. We will have stand-alone National Bid tournaments in 2021. See the schedule on the website to see the date each age group will have their National Bid tournament. Only teams that confirm they will accept the Region's bid should they win the bid **will be allowed to compete for a bid**. All clubs will receive an email about this later in the season when more details from USAV are known. All teams will be split into EAST and WEST geographic areas (a North/South line through **Greensboro** area will be the beginning of the EAST area). Teams should select among five (5) categories when initially registering their team with the Carolina Region. The FIVE categories correspond with: 1-top 20% of teams in age group; 2-next 21-40% of teams; 3-41-60%; 4-61-80%; 5- bottom 20% of all teams. The Region will use these self-selections to determine the initial starting point's value for all teams in the Region Tournament System. **We will discuss this season's plans in detail at our Online Junior Club webinars (Tentatively scheduled for Sept 24 and Oct 13), so every team/club should be represented at one of these important online meetings.** These categories will not be displayed on the Tournament System and teams will move up and down the rankings based on results. Teams will be assigned into tournaments after the entry deadline in multiples of four based on their rankings (so majority of tournaments will play 4-team pools!). *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 (Exception - individuals who have reached their 16th birthday may serve as a rostered Assistant Coach for teams that are a minimum of three age groups younger than the coach. Teams utilizing these junior coaches must register a Chaperone 25 or older also to be on the roster and sit on the bench in the event that the Head Coach is not able to finish a match on the bench. In addition, the Head Coach must be 25 or older and must be on the bench to start all matches. These Junior coaches must comply with all coaching prerequisites (IMPACT/SafeSport) before they can be added to the roster. In the event, the coach turns 18 during the season, they must clear the USAV Background Screen policy and would be governed by the current Coaches' policy as found in the 2021 Operating Code. All adults affiliated with a Junior team (including, but not limited to, the team rep, club rep, coach, chaperone, and trainer) MUST pass the USAV Background Screen in order to be registered with the team.*

**Coaching Clinics:** IMPACT certification is required for all coaches who have not previously attended an IMPACT clinic. There will not be an in-person IMPACT Coaches' clinic offered in the Region this season. USAV offers an on-demand IMPACT clinic online for FREE. See our [Coaching Clinic page](#) for more information on registering for the online IMPACT clinic.

**Informational Meetings:** This year the Region plans to hold some online webinars for Junior Clubs, coaches, and other interested individuals to discuss the upcoming season and any changes in store. Webinars are currently scheduled for September 24 at 7pm and October 13 at 3 pm. Please go to our [Junior Clubs](#) section for more information and to pre-register. **All clubs are encouraged to have a representative sit in on one of the webinars!**

**F. Background Screens:** All Regions of USA Volleyball have adopted the USA Volleyball Background Screening Policy. All adults affiliating with a junior club including but not limited to team reps, club reps, coaches, assistant coaches, chaperones, and trainers must pass the USAV background screen. Junior Tournament Directors have been added to the list of individuals to be screened (the Region will pay the screen fee for our TD's). 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 \$30.00 and is in addition to the adult membership fee. The new MMS will now director applicants to the Background Screen vendor to complete the screen application and pay the fee.

**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 for more information.

**H. Player Movement Within Club:** All multi-team Junior clubs will be able to have Player movement in 2021 (no fee required). Player movement (either Temporary or Permanent) in a club is restricted based on the policies outlined below. All 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 2021: 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 being moved to a team in a lower age group must meet the birthdate requirements for the age group they are being moved to.
- An individual player may only be used TWICE for temporary moves during the indoor season. After a player has participated with another club team 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.
- 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 ranking a maximum of two (2) times (within their individual limit) before rosters are frozen ONE week prior to their age group's first Regional Championship Event.
- Players may participate with a team having a lower ranking than the one with who the player is registered a maximum of one (1) time (within their individual limit) before rosters are frozen ONE weeks prior to their age group's first Regional Championship Event.
- Players may participate with two teams on a given weekend provided: (a) the age groups are playing on different days (i.e. 12's team plays on Saturday and 13's team plays 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 junior 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.
- Any registered Club player may continue participation with another team in the same club upon notifying the Office of a permanent roster change before rosters are frozen ONE weeks prior to their age group's first Regional Championship Event. Once a permanent move is made, no other moves (temporary or permanent) are allowed for that player.
- Players registered as unaffiliated (member of the club but not on a team) must still appear on 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 before they can play in a tournament.

Team Movement Restrictions:

- Teams may add a maximum of two (2) Club players not on their roster in any given tournament.
- Teams may add a maximum of one (1) player not on their roster from a higher ranking team in their club in any given tournament.
- Teams may add a maximum of two (2) players not on their roster from a higher ranking team in their club 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 a Regional Championship Event, 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 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 & 8-and-unders:** 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 membership categories this season: Youth (all girls born on/after July 1, 2009) will have a fee of \$15 and all Boys (18 and younger) will have a fee of \$20. **The Carolina Region is also encouraging all of our larger clubs to try to form at least one 18 and under Boys team and a 14 and under Boys team.** Brothers of your existing players are a good source to recruit to form these teams! The play/practice structure of these teams do not have to be the same format as your girls teams. Contact the Region Office for more details! **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 (the Youth and multi-day, one-event categories are not a full membership by USAV definition). Those players will need to join as a Junior member in order to play in those events. USA Volleyball has created an 8-and-under membership category (born on or after July 1, 2012). The fee for this new category is \$0!! (USAV is paying the insurance costs for this category). Players in the 8-and-under category can participate with your older teams but USAV is also hoping clubs will form their own low-cost training and developmental opportunities specifically for this youngest age group. Help us hook the next generation of volleyball players on this sport!

**J. 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' 14's to 18's tournaments if there is room in the tournament (girls' teams will receive priority if they enter by the deadline). 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 age and/or division their next tournament). Again for 2021: 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 Region will work with these teams to find an appropriate Girl's division to play in.

**K. 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, indicate the date of the event they are participating in during the application process, 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). 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 (Quest, Queen City, MAPL Raleigh tournaments) may register as a multi-day one-event member for \$10. The same requirements and deadlines per above apply. USA Volleyball has created a new Tryout membership that players may choose if unsure they will make a team and want to attend any sanctioned tryouts between Oct.3 and Dec. 31. The cost for the Tryout membership will be \$11 (\$6 Region; \$5 to USAV). If the player makes a team, they can later upgrade to a full membership and will receive partial credit for their prior payment (upgrade required before they can be added to a roster).

**L. Sanctioning Events:** One of the benefits of membership in the Carolina Region/USA Volleyball is coverage under the USAV Insurance Policy at all **SANCTIONED** USAV events. **NOTE:** CR/USAV Sanctioning **REQUIRES** all participants to be CURRENT members of USA Volleyball (and all adults affiliating with Junior teams need to have cleared the USAV Background Screen before participation). Teams and Clubs can request to have their practices, clinics, developmental leagues, or other volleyball-related event sanctioned by the Carolina Region in order to be covered under the USAV Insurance Program. Please go to our Forms (Insurance) section of our website for more information about the USAV Insurance Program and to download the Event Sanction Request Form (required in order to receive sanctioning of any event).

**M. Faxed Information/Copies and Credit Cards:** All individual and team registrations will now only be accepted online. The Region will accept Event Sanction Request forms and Tournament Sanction Request forms by fax or email. We do not require the originals of those documents to be mailed in (unless the fax is unreadable). The Region has a PayPal account to accept credit cards. If you would like to pay your tournament entries by credit card, go to our Online Payments page linked from our website and find the appropriate box to submit a PayPal payment to the Region. 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 team name and any other pertinent details (tournament date, division, number of players/teams registering, etc). **NOTE: You DO NOT need to be a member or open an account with PayPal in order to send money. You can make a one-time credit/debit card payment through PayPal without opening a PayPal account!** All team fees will be invoiced by the Region to the Club Admin in the MMS for payment. You do not need to submit on our Online Payments page any longer.

**N. ADDITIONAL FORMS/INFORMATION:**

Please go to [CarolinaRegionVB.org](http://CarolinaRegionVB.org) and visit the Juniors section, the General Information section, the Clubs section, and the Tournament Director section to download additional forms that you may need for Registration/Tournaments:

- (a) 2021 Online [Team Registration Form](#) (Clubs)
- (b) 2020/2021 Event/Practice Sanction Request Form (not for tournament requests) (Forms)
- (c) Club Player Movement Form (Clubs)
- (d) Blank Tournament Entry Form (Clubs)
- (e) USAV Participant Code of Conduct (Forms)
- (f) Host Your Own Clinic Information (Clinics & Forms)
- (g) Insurance Forms and Information (Forms)
- (h) 2021 Junior Team Handbook (Clubs)
- (i) Tournament Sanction Request Form (Forms)

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

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“Like” us today for news updates, photos, and updates from other CR members	“Follow” us today for updates and information from the Region.	“Subscribe” to our channel for How-To, Introductory, and more



### 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, (adults and junior individuals are the SAME date!) early registration fees have been established. An application must be completed online by that date to qualify for the early INDIVIDUAL fee.*

#### 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 July. 1, 2002 or Players who were born on or after July 1, 2001 AND a high school student in the twelfth (12 <sup>th</sup> ) grade or below during some part of the current academic year. 17 and under - Players who were born on or after July. 1, 2003. 16 and under - Players who were born on or after July 1, 2004. 15 and under - Players who were born on or after July 1, 2005. 14 and under - Players who were born on or after July. 1, 2006. 13 and under - Players who were born on or after July 1, 2007. 12 and under -Players who were born on or after July 1, 2008.	\$55 (after 11/1) (\$35 Region fee; \$20 USAV fee)	\$45 (on/before 11/1) (\$25 Region fee; \$20 USAV fee)
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) (\$25 R; \$20 U)	\$35 (on/before 11/1) (\$15 R; \$20 U)
Other	Youth (born on or after July 1, 2009)	\$15 (\$8 Region fee; \$7 USAV fee)	
	8 and under Member Category (born on or after July 1, 2012)	Free!	
	Boys (ages 18 and younger)	\$20 \$0 Region fee; \$20 USAV fee)	
	Outdoor	\$15 (\$3.85 Region fee; \$11.15 USAV fee)	
	One Event – one-day (Limit two per season)	\$5 (\$10 for multi-day one event) (\$2.50 Region fee; \$2.50 USAV fee) (\$5 Region fee; \$5 USAV fee)	
	Facility/League	Please inquire	
Patron	Groups or organizations desiring to support or participate in Carolina Region volleyball.	\$50 minimum donation	

#### TEAM REGISTRATION

Classification	Description	Regular Fee	Early Fee
Junior	All players must qualify as Junior members of USA Volleyball	\$75 (after 12/1)	\$65 (before 12/1)
Regular/Adult	All teams not qualifying for the above classifications.	waived	waived

#### CLUB REGISTRATION (EARLY REGISTRATION ONLY BY DEC 1, 2020)

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 \$65 each		
If Club has 1-11 teams	JUNIORS - teams 1-5 pay \$65 each first; then teams 6-11 pay \$60 each		
If 12 or more Teams in club	JUNIORS - teams 1-5 pay \$65 each; then teams 6-11 pay \$60 each; then teams 12 and above pay \$55 each		

The above Club structure team fees applies to **JUNIOR Early Group Registration only**. The president of any club will submit the Club Registration form online which includes all officer's addresses, phone numbers and other information on 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 \$75 for each team thereafter. The Region will now invoice all clubs for their team fees after the club has uploaded their team rosters into the USAV Governing Season and completed the online Team Registration form.