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2025-2026 Junior
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Carolina Region Volleyball





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board-and-staff-directory](https://www.carolinaregionvb.org/board-and-staff-directory)

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Uniforms

Full uniform rule at our [FAQ page](#)

USAV has a service for clubs with questions on whether their libero uniform is clearly contrasting. To access, go to this page –

<https://survey.sogolytics.com/survey1.aspx?k=SsURUWQsQRYsPsPsP&lang=0>

Clubs may also use the USA Volleyball logo on their uniforms with permission from USAV. See this document for more information-

<https://www.carolinaregionvb.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/08/2018USAVolleyballMemberClubLogoUseAgreement.pdf>





Documents & Forms

Available on the web site:

- <https://www.carolinaregionvb.org/forms/#jr-club-director>

For any Forms and Documents found on our website, make sure it is labeled 2024/2025 for up-to-date current season information.





Recruiting Statement and Athlete & Club Bill of Rights

All Clubs Should review these documents before tryouts. It can be found at the Forms section ([Club Director](#)):

[Recruiting Issues](#)

[Athlete & Club Bill of Rights](#)

[Tryout Principles](#)

The information in these document should be reviewed with the athletes during tryouts and there is a one-page summary of Bill of Rights that can be given to the athletes.





Club Tryout information

Tryouts:

- The Carolina Region Board of Directors updated the Tryout Policy in 2022 to reflect the changing realities of Junior Volleyball in the state and country.
- Tryouts may be held for the following USAV season any time after the competition of the current season's USAV Junior National Championships.
- Athletes may formally sign the Carolina Region Letter of Commitment any time after September 1.
- All Clubs should be using the written Carolina Region Letter of Commitment (LOC) to confirm acceptance of club bids. Accepting of bids will also be confirmed inside the MMS (more later), but the Region will only recognize the written LOC if there is a dispute.





Club Registration- 2026 Season

Clubs Register Annually with the Region:

- First step a Club Director should take each season
- Registration Link is at the Forms Section (Junior Club Director section):
 - <https://carolina-regional-volleyball.sportngin.com/register/form/424829697>
- If you're a new Club, this will start the process of SportsEngine creating your Club HQ
 - The 5-letter Club Code will be generated by the Region upon receipt and club will be added to our Club Directory in the Tournament System.
- Returning clubs will continue to use the HQ set up in previous seasons. Add Admins as needed.
- All clubs must have a Club HQ in order to submit team info to the Region. Clubs only need the Free Club HQ. SE also offers a Premium HQ option for additional resources in running your club. This is optional and not required to register with the Region.

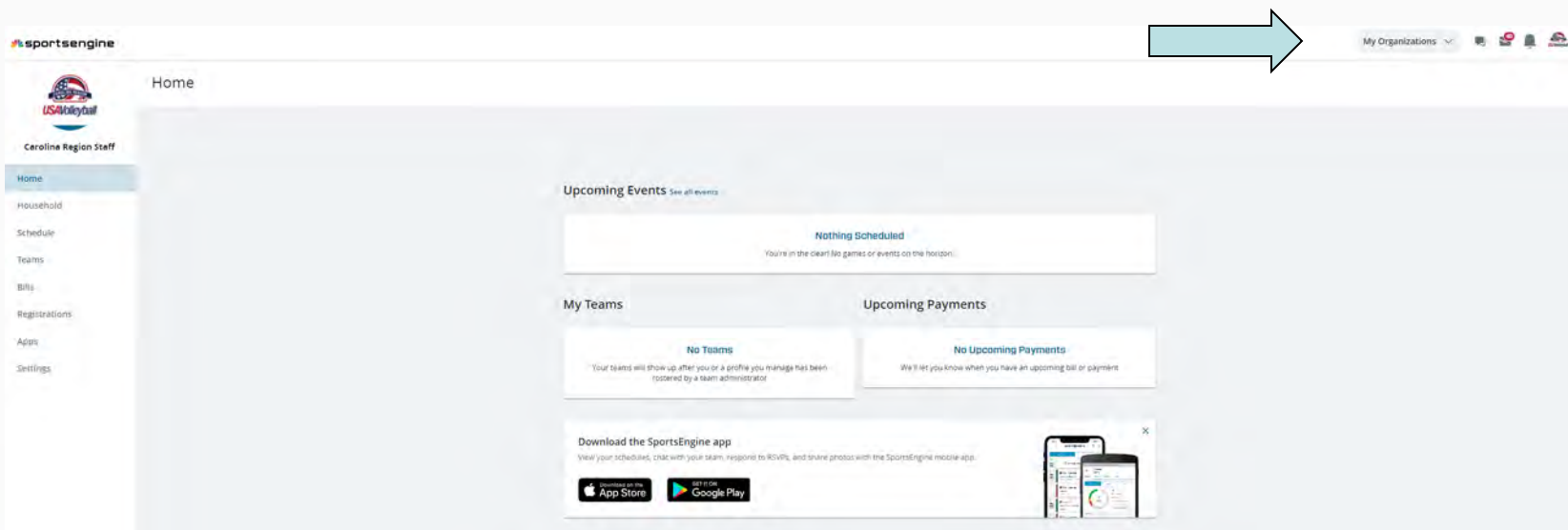




Club HQ- How to Find

How do you access your Club HQ:

- After SportsEngine has created your HQ, how do you access it?
 - Log in to your SE Account - <https://app.sportnigin.com/user>
 - In upper right of your account is Box labeled “My Organizations” – click and choose your club name to access the HQ page.





Individual Registration 2026 Season

Preferred Method to Add Players/Coaches:

- SE has improved the process of affiliating athletes and coaches with your club.
- Getting individuals their correct membership this season should also be improved.
- KEY – only send an invite to affiliate with your club once they have OFFICIALLY committed to your club through your club's bid acceptance process (which is followed up with the CR LOC after Sept 1).
- To have a coach or athlete affiliate with your club:
 - In your HQ account – go to the Members menu section
 - Choose Memberships
 - Click the Generate an open link in the Public Club Assignment box and copy that link (see below)
 - Send that link by email to your families/coaches. When they click it, they will go through the Quizzard to buy a membership and be affiliated with your club all in one process.



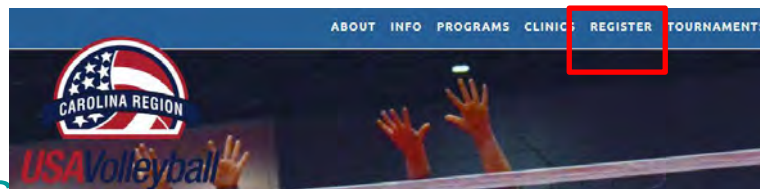
Public Club Assignment

Generate an open link you can share to add members to your club. Upon purchase, new members will be added to your directory.





Registration Information



<https://www.carolinaregionvb.org/registration/>

Information about our various memberships can be found at the above page on our website. We do not have a link to the quizzard on this page any longer. Use the Public Club Assignment link to invite players and coaches into your club!

All participants (teams and individuals) must be registered at least one week before participation.

- NOTE: Thursdays before with LATE fee. NO ROSTER ADDITIONS ON THE DAY OF THE TOURNAMENT!!





MEMBER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM



- Clubs can buy memberships for their coaches that are in their directory. Coaches will then go claim the membership, create SE account if needed, and complete the requirements associated with that membership (waivers, Background Screen, SafeSport, IMPACT, etc).
- Clubs should let all families buy their own memberships. Parent/Guardian will create a SE account and can then add household members underneath to buy memberships (family accounts-one login!)





MEMBER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Players needing SafeSport Memberships

- If a member will turn 18 at any point during the season, the system recognizes that automatically and only offers a Junior membership with SafeSport required. The SafeSport course will be added to their account. They will not be eligible to be added to a roster until they complete the course.
- There will be 17 year-olds that are eligible to play on a 17's team, that will be prompted to also purchase the Junior Player-SafeSport required membership. This is legitimate. Their birthdate is in July or August of 2026 and the 2026 season does not end until 8/31/2026. Just have them complete the purchase and take SafeSport. They can still be added to a 17's roster.





Member cards are Digital.
Welcome email will have a link to
digital card. Can also access
from your SE Profile
(Household). Add to Apple
Wallet or Google Pay.



MEMBER
MANAGEMENT
SYSTEM



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Club Admins-Club HQ

Club Administrators

- Clubs will need to claim an HQ account inside of their SE account this season to run their club.
- Bookmark this page on our website for reference to all things Club Directors need regarding the system:
 - <https://www.carolinaregionvb.org/clubsnewmms/>
- Each Club will have one main administrator. Can assign additional but they must clear USAV screen and have SafeSport to remain an administrator.
- At above page is instructions on how to add the Region Office to your Directory and then as an Administrator also. This will allow us to help you with tasks as needed.

Club MMS Help

- 2022 Club Admin Welcome video
- Club Admin Checklist
- Club Admin Guide (freemium)
- Club Admin Guide (premium)
- Club Admin Help Articles
- SportsEngine Account Login
- AES Roster Sync Video

Club Info

- COVID-19 Response-Resources for Clubs
- Clubs – New MMS Info
- Online Registration Information
- Club Director Forms
- Boys Growth Grant Opportunity-'22 Season
- Adult Clubs
- Junior Clubs
- SafeSport Program
- Directors & Officers Liability Coverage
- AVCA/CR Educational & Recruiting Insights
- Club Websites-Other Links
- USAV Club Director Section
- Host Your Own Clinic Form





Team Registration- New, easier process this season

Handled All Online

- Two step process:

- Step 1 - Build team and roster inside your Club HQ. Refer to current Club Admin – SE PlayBook for step-by-step guidance

- Step 2 - Only after MMS creation – submit additional details in our Tournament System (Link at Documents page):

- Once we receive both of above, we will invoice the Club Director by Zelle or through SportsEngine for the Team Fees.
 - Must include a unique Team Rep, at least 6 players and one coach to be a valid team (you can add players/staff later inside MMS.
 - Team is classified at level of the oldest player on the team (regardless of whether they attend an event or not)
- Early Bird Deadline is December 1. Teams can still be formed at any time after that at regular team fee. Team registrations per above must be completed at least two weeks before participating in an event (tournament entry deadline is 2 weeks).





CR Tournament System Teams Registration Form will ask:

- DIVISION: East or West team - All teams split into East and West again. Imaginary North/South line through Greensboro area is the “dividing” line. You will choose age group and location – i.e. JR-18-West or JR-14-East, etc.
- QUINTILE: Indicate where you think team will fit among all teams in age group in the Region:
Group 1-Top 20%; 2 - 21-40; 3-41-60; 4-61-80; or 5-bottom 20%.
- The grouping you select will determine your initial starting points in the Region Tournament System.
- These points overlap other age groups. Reasoning is the top of one age group is competitive with the bottom of their adjacent age group (and vice versa).
- Team Reps – MUST have unique Rep for each team. Do NOT list Club Director for every team as this will be kicked back as an error this season. Team names and team reps will be imported automatically this season from SE.

Teams -
Initial
Group/Ranki
ngs



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Junior Advisory Board

- IMPORTANT – each team must designate a unique team representative (as compared to the club director being the team rep for all their teams) on the online Junior Team Registration Form.
 - One club rep can still handle all the administrative duties (entering into tournaments, etc.) but the unique team rep is for the online system and the Junior Advisory Board.
 - You do not have to register a new member. It can be the coach (for example).
 - All Team Reps automatically become members of the Junior Advisory Board with one vote at the meeting.
- The Advisory Board will meet once a year to primarily set policies and direction for the next season. Next Meeting – TBA May, 2026 (Site: ONLINE)
- Participate as needed via e-mail in discussions about issues that pertain to juniors.





What if we chose wrong “Group” when registering the team?

- Teams may petition the Carolina Region for an adjustment to their initial point’s value that will adjust their next tournaments “division assignment” by one level up/down depending on their request. All petitions must be received in writing by the Region office by Monday noon of the business week following the second Regular season tournament of their age group. CR Staff will evaluate their request and results and may adjust their starting point’s value accordingly.

Teams- Initial Rankings





Medical Release Forms

USA Volleyball will no longer be requiring the collection/verification of Medical Release Forms at their National-sanctioned events.

For that reason, we are not posting a Medical Release form on our Forms section of the website.

Clubs may still choose to collect a Medical Information/Release form for their players that their coaches may have with them at team activities. We have a generic form available that clubs may utilize if they wish. Email the Region office to request the form.





In order to have a Sanctioned Event (covered under USAV Insurance Program):

- Clubs must notify the Region of all practices/events they want sanctioned.
 - **Notify the Region using the Application for Sanctioning Volleyball Events - Link is at Forms page – Insurance Section. Form is inside the MMS this year. (all electronic) The “account” that submits the form will be able to access inside their “Registrations” tab and will receive email confirmations of submission and Approval/Denial.**
 - **Note – request to host a sanctioned tournament is different form found under the Tournament Director section on Forms page.**

Sanctioned Events – Practices/ Tryouts





USAV Insurance Program

Event or Activity must be USAV Sanctioned in order to be covered under USAV Insurance Program:

- General Liability Policy
- Secondary Participant Accident Policy
 - **An Incident Report form is required to be submitted before Insurance Company will consider any claim**
 - **CR Sanctioned Tournaments are provided with an Incident Report form before the event.**
 - **Clubs should contact Region Office for Incident Report form for any injuries occurring during a sanctioned club activity.**





- All Head Coaches must be 18 years old and at least two years older than age group they coach. All coaches must clear the USAV Background Screen program.
- Chaperones are not required (if all coaches over 18)*.
- A coach may only coach for one club.

Coaches Information





- 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/JCP/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.

“Junior” Coaches Information

- There is a Junior Aged Staff – SafeSport & IMPACT Required membership category that these Junior coaches would select (even if already registered as a junior player). This will attach the requirements they need automatically (and won't charge them if already a member).





All coaches must be IMPACT certified.

- Must meet certification requirement before first tournament.
 - Team must have a certified coach (on roster and present) to play.
 - Coach must be certified before coaching.
- USA Volleyball now offers FREE ON-DEMAND IMPACT. When someone registers with the Coach membership, the system will see if they have IMPACT. If they don't, it provides the link to go take the On-Demand IMPACT clinic automatically.
- AGAIN THIS SEASON– All Adults affiliating with Junior Club must take the SafeSport course (Core or Refresher version)! Per above, upon registration, the system will determine which course the coach needs and provides a link to go take it automatically.

<https://www.carolinaregionvb.org/safesport-program/>

Coaches Information



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Coaches Information – cont.

Coaches Education Policy

Full policy here

<https://www.carolinaregionvb.org/coaching-education-policy/>

Coaching Eligibility good for
Three seasons

Must take an approved clinic to
extend eligibility (**next slide**).





Coaches Information – cont.

Coaches Education Policy

Currently Approved Continuing Education Opportunities:

- IMPACT Clinics (online through USA Volleyball)
 - NFHS Fundamentals of Coaching Course - <http://www.nfhslearn.com/coreCourseDetail.aspx?courseID=1000>
 - AVCA Convention
 - Art of Coaching Clinics (May, 2026!)
 - Gold Medal Squared Clinics
 - USAV Coaching Academy (more to come)
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- Clubs/Coaches can submit other educational clinics, programs, opportunities for approval for Continuing Education Credit.





- USAV has required all Clubs to develop a Travel Policy for their club
 - A sample policy is available for Clubs to refer to when developing their policy. Available at Forms page (Club Directors)
 - <https://www.carolinaregionvb.org/forms/#jr-club-director>
 - Clubs may use the sample policy or develop their own.
 - In the event a club does not produce their own policy, the Sample policy will become the club's default policy!
 - Travel policy put in place to REPLACE Chaperone requirement at the Junior National Championships (so teams earning bids to JNC do not have to register Chaperones unless they wish to).

Travel Policy





Boys GRANT Opportunity

- The Carolina Region is offering \$750 to \$1000 Grants to Clubs to help us grow Boys playing opportunities during the upcoming season!
- TWO ways to earn grant money (club may qualify for one grant only):
 - ONE - Form at least ONE more Boys team than your club had last season.
 - Form one more team than last season, earn \$750.
 - Form two or more teams than last season, earn \$1000!
 - Clubs that already have received grants in past will receive maximum of \$500 with continued growth
 - Examples:
 - Club had zero teams last year, form ONE team this year and earn \$750; form TWO teams and earn \$1000.
 - Club had two boys' teams last year, form THREE teams this year and earn \$750; form FOUR teams and earn \$1000.
 - To qualify, submit team registration form (s) and fees to Carolina Region.





Boys GRANT Opportunity

- Or TWO - Club commits to forming a Boys (any age) Developmental league (3- week minimum).
 - League must be sanctioned (Event sanction Request form + \$15 sanction fee) •
 - All participants must become Carolina Region members (Boys \$20 or \$43 depending on age) •
 - League is active once a week for 3 weeks or more. Can structure any way want (clinic then play; skills activities; individual vs team play). •
 - At end of league, send photos of league activities/play; big group photo, and roster of all league attendees to Region office.
 - 10-14 participants - \$750 Grant
 - 15+ participants - \$1000 Grant •
- Can use grant any way you wish (facility rentals; coaches pay; “free” league, etc.)





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- Help us continue to grow the Boys Game in 2026!
 - We had 47 Boys teams in 2025. Help us reach 50+ this season!
 - Commit your club to add ONE 18 and under team (to include 18's, 17's, 16's players) and ONE 14 and under team (to include any age under 14). Or hold a Boys league for 3 weeks. Our grant money will help you fund either of these endeavors!
 - Finding Players:
 - Brothers of your existing players!
 - Many middle schools have Boys volleyball
 - Girls invite a boy to come play
 - You do not have to structure it like your Girls teams! They do not have to play under normal tournament structure:
 - Weeknight leagues (shorter seasons – Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer leagues)
 - Practices only/Scrimmages
 - Co-ed play with your girls' teams





Boys Tournament Schedule

Again for 2026 – We are promoting a Boys tournament Schedule in the Region to encourage Boys teams to register and play in events in the Region

- Nov 29, 2025 – ITB Boys, Bermuda Run (12's, 14's)
- Nov 30, 2025 – ITB Boys, Bermuda Run (16's, 18's)
- January 11, 2026 – Regular Season tournaments
- January 17-19, 2026 – City of Oaks, Raleigh
- February 15, 2026 – Regular Season tournaments
- February 21-22, 2026 – Carolina Volleyball Classic, Rocky Mount
- March 7-8, 2026 – Locomotive Challenge, Rocky Mount
- March 29, 2026 – Carolina Region Boys' Regional Championships





PARTICIPANT/ SPECTATOR BEHAVIOR POLICY

The Carolina Region endorses the principles of the Positive Coaching Alliance and the Honor the Game philosophy. To this end, we have adopted a Participant/Spectator Behavior Policy for unsportsmanlike conduct by all attendees at Carolina Region sanctioned events.

- Please download this policy and go over it with all coaches, parents, and players so we have no issues this season!

Participant/Spectator Behavior Policy





PURPLE CARD SPECTATOR SANCTION POLICY

The Carolina Region has joined with several other Regions in adopting a tool for dealing with inappropriate behavior by spectators at Carolina Region events. We are calling this the Purple Card Sanction Policy. The full policy can be downloaded at link below.

[Purple Card Spectator Sanction Policy](#)

The policy will apply to all spectators (adults and juniors). Our Professional Officials will now be able to address inappropriate behavior by spectators with use of Purple card

- Purple/Yellow together is a Warning
- Purple/Red together is a Penalty and opposing team will be awarded a Point.
- Additional misbehavior governed by Participant/Spectator Behavior Policy.

Please make sure all your families are aware of this policy so no team is penalized this season!





USA Volleyball publishes the Indoor and Beach Rules Books every two years. There is a new rule book for the 2025-2027 cycle.

- We are only providing printed rule books to our Professional officials.
- Rule Book is available for download for everyone else at the USAV Officials Website –
- <https://usavolleyball.org/resources-for-officials/rulebooks-and-interpretations/>

Officiating – Rules





Officiating – Team Requirement

TWO Certified Referees, ONE Certified Scorer (or third ref), and ONE Certified Adult on roster before first tournament played!

At least one of the coaches on the roster must be a certified referee and be present when the team is officiating. The certified adult may take the Junior course to meet their requirement. However, if they want to officiate for an adult team or work junior tournaments as a professional referee, they will have to complete the applicable adult curriculum to serve in those roles.

Everyone will take clinics online this season.

NOTE – Higher sanction for teams that leave a tournament and do not fulfill their Team officiating requirement for playoffs - \$200.





Officiating Clinics

All necessary clinics are available online in the USAV Learning Management System. Any Carolina Region member may take the clinic online this season.

<https://www.carolinaregionvb.org/online-clinic-information/>

This season we will auto enroll all junior members in the online clinic. They can choose to take the clinic or not. Coaches will need to register themselves in the LMS. Instructions at the Online Clinics section of website.

Clubs may choose to Host a supplemental in person clinic to reinforce what is learned during the online clinics. They may contract with approved clinicians to come give this clinic. This is recommended for the younger age groups.





Officiating Status

Your officiating status will be kept and updated in your SE Account under “Credentials”.

Click the Credentials Menu item and filter to Household member.

Click the Launch button to access the USA Volleyball Academy

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Tournament Entries

- Tournaments generally every available weekend again this season. There is a Sunday tournament every weekend for an age group – check schedule carefully.
- Deadlines are TWO weeks before tournament – must be RECEIVED (not postmarked) by deadline.
- Tournament Entry Process (One-day tournaments on the Region Schedule ONLY)
 - We will provide a Tournament Entry link for Club Directors to enter directly in the Tournament System. Club Directors will choose their club and then check the box for the teams and tournaments they wish to enter.
 - We will send an invoice to the Club Director's SE account or Zelle for payment





Professional Officials

Professional Officials will work as First Referee for all pool and playoff matches in the 12's and 13's divisions this season. In those age groups and with the approval of the head coach and supervising official, a certified player referee may work the second set as R1 during pool play (to promote development of already established player refs). For age groups 14's – 18's, the certified Junior Referees will work all Pool play matches. Professional Officials will work all playoff rounds.





Tournaments:

- Two-week entry deadline is firm. Monday after deadline, we will assign all entered teams in pools of 4 to sites (last site(s) assigned may have more or less than 4 assigned depending on total entries. Most sites will have 8 or 12 teams and will play ideal 4-team pool format.
- Regular season tournaments will be designated as "SITES". So, will show as Site 1, Site 2, Site 3...assigned out based on the Rankings. Regional Championship tournaments will show as "Division": Division 1, Division 2, Division 3...
- Results from each tournament will be entered the Monday after the tournament. New rankings will be calculated and posted.
- Points Rankings will be used to assign teams out to sites for the next tournament in same manner after the deadline.





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TEAM RANKINGS

		<u>SITE 1 (Division 1) - 3 courts</u>			<u>SITE 2-2 courts</u>	<u>SITE 3 - 2 courts</u>
1 Team 1	19 Team 19	1 Team 1			1 Team 14	1 Team 24
2 Team 2	20 Team 20	2 Team 2			2 Team 15	2 Team 25
3 Team 3	21 Team 21	3 Team 3			3 Team 16	3 Team 26
4 Team 4	22 Team 22	4 Team 4			4 Team 17	4 Team 27
5 Team 5	23 Team 23	5 Team 5			5 Team 18	5 Team 29
6 Team 6	24 Team 24	6 Team 7			6 Team 19	6 Team 31
7 Team 7	25 Team 25	7 Team 8			7 Team 21	7 Team 32
8 Team 8	26 Team 26	8 Team 9			8 Team 23	8
9 Team 9	27 Team 27	9 Team 10				
10 Team 10	28 Team 28	10 Team 11				
11 Team 11	29 Team 29	11 Team 12				
12 Team 12	30 Team 30	12 Team 13				
13 Team 13	31 Team 31					
14 Team 14	32 Team 32					
15 Team 15	33 Team 33					
16 Team 16	34 Team 34					
17 Team 17	35 Team 35					
18 Team 18						



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What does this Mean?

- Teams will not know their site until after the Entry deadline!
- Late entries will not be available as much since assigning teams out in ideal 4-team pool increments. If last site(s) assigned have less than ideal 4-team pools, then late entries may be allowed if can shift teams in easy manner and still keep competitive balance.
- No need to “move” teams among “divisions”. Tournament System will rank teams automatically and assign out based on rankings.





Regional Championships:

- The Carolina Regional Championship will held on the March 21&22 and March 28&29 weekends.
 - Top 4 teams in the RANKINGS from the East and top 4 teams in the RANKINGS from the West will be assigned automatically to the Regional Championships.
 - Will assign to a site in the central part of state as best as possible.
 - All teams must still meet minimum team requirements to be eligible for a Regional Championship Event.
 - All teams must play in THREE Carolina Region Regular season sanctioned events to be eligible for a Regional Championship Event. At least one of those events 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 Championship Event:
 - One or Two Carolina Region one-day tournaments
 - Any two-day Carolina Region sanctioned event whose only criteria is date of entry (examples: Quest tournament, Carolina Kickoff, City of Oaks)
 - 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).

Teams must enter before Entry deadline to be considered. Late entries will NOT be accepted for the Regional Championships.

–Rosters FREEZE One week before the team's Regional Championship Event. So, teams can make club player movements after entering event if needed so won't have to withdraw based on late injuries or unexpected player losses. A player can still only participate in one Regional Championship event.





Typical Tournament Day

- Start at 9:00 am – Coaches Meeting at 8:30 am. All teams must be represented or subject to forfeit of first game.
- FORMATS:
 - 3-team pools (late withdrawals and last site(s) assigned) – Play double-round robin format.
 - 4-team pools – standard round robin
 - 5-team pools (last sites assigned may have this so all teams can play) – standard round robin, play two sets to 25 only starting at 0-0 – top two to Finals).
 - 6-team tournament – two 3-team pools playing round robin full match play. All teams then seeded into 6-team playoff.
- Playing 2/3 matches starting at 0-0. Top 2 teams to playoffs.
- There will be no tie-breaker sets played during regular season one-day tournaments or Regional Championship Events! See next slide.





Pool Setup:

8-team Trn	
Pool 1	Pool 2
Playoff Seed 1	Playoff Seed 2
Team 1	Team 2
Team 4	Team 3
Team 5	Team 6
Team 8	Team 7

12-Team Trn		
Pool 1	Pool 2	Pool 3
Playoff 1	Playoff 2	Playoff 3
Team 1	Team 2	Team 3
Team 6	Team 5	Team 4
Team 7	Team 8	Team 9
Team 12	Team 11	Team 10





Breaking Ties:

NO TIE-BREAKERS FOR REGULAR SEASON
TOURNAMENTS AND ALL REGIONAL
CHAMPIONSHIPS:

- All two-way ties for a spot in playoffs will be decided by the head-to-head result during pool play. Some pool play formats may have the team playing twice during pool play. If they split matches during pool play, then the tie would be broken by overall match win percentage, set win percentage, or overall point differential. If tied at point differential (rare), they would play one set to 15.
- All three- or four-way ties, would be decided by (1) match win percentage (2) set win percentage, or (3) point differential. If two teams tied at point differential, then the head-to-head result during pool play would decide it.





Seeding Playoffs:

- No changes this Season!
 - There has been questions about how to seed Undefeated teams into playoffs – especially if one pool had 4 teams and another pool had 3 teams (applies for 3-pool tournaments only)
 - The Carolina Region has established that the highest INITIAL seed in the tournament will go into Pool 1, the second highest seed will be in Pool 2 and the third highest seed will be in Pool 3 (if there are 3 pools). The POOLS will maintain their overall seeding spot in the event there are TWO or MORE UNDEFEATED teams advancing to the Playoffs. Thus, an undefeated team from Pool 1 will be seeded into the Playoffs HIGHER than an undefeated team in Pool 2 and an undefeated team in Pool 2 will be seeded higher than an undefeated team from Pool 3 (if applicable). This applies even if the “top” seed wasn’t the team that went undefeated.
 - NOTE – Undefeated means no losses for SETS AND Matches!





Admissions:

- One-Day Tournament Hosts “MAY” charge up to a maximum of \$5 for attendees 11 and older that come as spectators to the event.
 - All participants shall not be charged an admission (players, coaches, chaperones, trainers that are on a roster as well as the professional officials).
 - Kids 10 and under shall not be charged an admission.

Make sure everyone in your club is aware of this policy so no issues when they show up at an event. Multi-day events have always been able to charge an admission and are not governed by this policy.





Tournament System

- <https://tournaments.carolinaregionvb.org>
- We will continue to upload results from the CR Sanctioned multi-day events in our region (Quest, City of Oaks, Queen City, MAPL Raleigh).
 - Will be able to capture results between two CR teams and calculate points
 - Will allow teams that do not play as many one-day events to earn points and enhance Regional Championship qualification.
- Team Pages updated. System will handle credits for cancelled tournaments and teams put on wait list better (on individual team page). **See next slide.**
- System will show team's progress for eligibility for the National bid tournaments and Regional/East/West Championships on those tournament info pages.
- Working on providing ability for Teams and Clubs to view a tournament entry receipt after the tournament is over.
- Camps/clinics section added.
- More features in pipeline (both front and backend)!





All about Sample Team

Based in: **Clemmons**

Team rep: **Sally Sample**

Team code: **G17SMPLE1CR**

Rank within JR-17-West: 24 of 47 teams

Rank within Juniors: 131 of 915 teams

Tournament participation:

- Played in JR-17-West division 1, Pool 2 at Champion Volleyball Facility on Jan 4, 2020
- Played in JR-17-West division 1, Pool 1 at Cox Mill HS on Feb 22, 2020
- Played in JR-17-West division 1, Pool 1 at Draughn HS on Mar 8, 2020

Participated in 3 Carolina Region sanctioned events:

- **Eligible to participate in the National Bid Tournament.**
- **Eligible to participate in Regional Championship events.**

Points system details:

- Initial points: 2175 (group 2)
- 2020-01-04 - Played in JR-17-West division 1, Pool 2 at Champion Volleyball Facility on Jan 4, 2020
 - Won 2 - 0 vs. RCVC Boomers (FJ7RWNCT1CR, 2050.00 points) started with 2175.00 points, gained 20.00, leaving 2195.00
 - Won 2 - 0 vs. Alexander Aces 17's (FJ7ALEXA1CR, 2155.00 points) started with 2195.00 points, gained 28.00, leaving 2223.00
 - Lost 0 - 2 vs. Wilkes Fusion (FJ7WCSMS1CR, 2330.00 points) started with 2223.00 points, lost 22.00, leaving 2201.00
 - Semi-Finals: Lost 0 - 2 vs. I.C. Stars 17 Bria (FJ7ICSTR1CR, 2340.00 points) started with 2201.00 points, lost 19.00, leaving 2182.00
- 2020-02-22 - Played in JR-17-West division 1, Pool 1 at Cox Mill HS on Feb 22, 2020
 - Lost 1 - 2 vs. Rampage 17 T'Keyah (FJ7ALGHY2CR, 1942.00 points) started with 2182.00 points, lost 45.00, leaving 2137.00
 - Won 2 - 0 vs. BEVC 17 Kryptonite (FJ7BRKEL1CR, 2166.00 points) started with 2137.00 points, gained 34.00, leaving 2171.00
 - Lost 0 - 2 vs. Wilkes Fusion (FJ7WCSMS1CR, 2454.00 points) started with 2171.00 points, lost 10.00, leaving 2161.00
 - Quarter-Finals: Won 2 - 1 vs. FCA Force 17's (FJ7FCAFT1CR, 2154.00 points) started with 2161.00 points, gained 15.00, leaving 2176.00
 - Semi-Finals: Lost 0 - 2 vs. Wilkes Fusion (FJ7WCSMS1CR, 2464.00 points) started with 2176.00 points, lost 10.00, leaving 2166.00
- 2020-03-08 - Played in JR-17-West division 1, Pool 1 at Draughn HS on Mar 8, 2020
 - Lost 1 - 2 vs. North Valley 17 (FJ7NVLLY1CR, 2065.00 points) started with 2166.00 points, lost 30.00, leaving 2136.00
 - Lost 0 - 2 vs. Wilkes Fusion (FJ7WCSMS1CR, 2493.00 points) started with 2136.00 points, lost 7.00, leaving 2129.00
 - Lost 1 - 2 vs. North Valley 17 (FJ7NVLLY1CR, 2119.00 points) started with 2129.00 points, lost 17.00, leaving 2112.00
 - Lost 0 - 2 vs. Wilkes Fusion (FJ7WCSMS1CR, 2476.00 points) started with 2112.00 points, lost 7.00, leaving 2105.00
- Final points: 2105.00





Junior Tournament Schedule

Regular region tournaments:

Entry fee is \$225.

Regional Championship Events:

Entry fee is \$250. CLUB – Play in THREE
CR Sanctioned Events*

Scheduling:

- We will need TD's to send in Results early Monday after the tournament before we can update results and rankings and then assign teams to sites. Clubs and Parents-PATIENCE is appreciated!
- Having Sunday tournaments will give us more flexibility with facilities and officials. But, there may still be some weekends where we need sites to host on Saturday or Sunday. If you have a 2-3 court site and are interested in hosting, let us know!





National Qualifiers/ Larger Tournaments

National Qualifier Tournaments

- The schedule is available at www.usavolleyball.org. Click on Play – Compete Section to see listing of events for Boys and Girls.
- They also have a listing of larger two+ day tournaments.

Larger Tournaments held in the region.

- Quest For Excellence (Advance) – Jan 3-4, 2026.
- Carolina Kickoff (Rocky Mount) – January 3-4, 2026
- City of Oaks Challenge (Raleigh) – January 17-19, 2026
- Queen City Classic (Charlotte) – Jan 24-25 & Jan 31-Feb 1, 2026
- East Coast Showcase (Rocky Mount) – Jan 31 – Feb 1, 2026
- Carolina Volleyball Classic (Rocky Mount) – Feb 28-Mar 1, 2026
- Locomotive Challenge – Mar 14-15, 2026
- Carolina Cup (Rocky Mount) – March 21-22, 2026





USAV Junior National Championships

- USA Volleyball Girls Junior National Championships (18's)
 - May 1-3, 2026 Reno, NV
- USA Volleyball Girls Junior National Championships
 - 11u–13u - June 19–22, 2026 – Minneapolis
 - 14u – 17u - Jun 25-Jul 3, 2026 – Indianapolis
- USA Volleyball Boys Junior National Championships
 - July 8-11, 2026 – Phoenix, AZ
- Carolina Region Bid Info – Girls:
- Awarding by Region Bid Rankings Process
- 18's – application deadline, March 22, 2026 (Application opens March 1, 2026)
- 11's - 17's – April 27, 2026 (Application opens April 1, 2026)
- Application available at the Documents page:
- <https://www.carolinaregionvb.org/forms/#jr-club-director>





Safesport



USA Volleyball & SafeSport Committed to Safety for All Participants

The safety of its participants is of paramount importance to USA Volleyball. USA Volleyball has ZERO TOLERANCE for abuse and misconduct.

This includes not only on-court safety, but also off-court safety in any part of USA Volleyball's programs. USA Volleyball is committed to creating safe and fun environments for youth. This includes, but not limited to, providing training, educational materials and resources for our regions, clubs, coaches, parents and athletes.

USOC SafeSport Website
(Toolkits available for download)

<http://safesport.org/>



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Safesport

What it Means for Clubs:

Safesport is an annual requirement now:

Core course – year 1

Refresher courses – year 2, 3, & 4

MMS will automatically determine which course is needed and enroll the member. Member will click a link available in their member record and welcome email to access and take the course.





MAAPP

Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy

USA Volleyball is required on an annual basis to communicate with all adult members the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy (MAAPP) and How to Report misconduct mechanisms.

[MAAPP at a Glance](#) | [Full MAAP](#)

All adult participants of USA Volleyball are mandatory reporters of abuse.

The U.S. Center for SafeSport has exclusive jurisdiction over allegations of Sexual Misconduct. To report sexual misconduct, please click the following link to report directly to the U.S. Center for SafeSport

<https://uscenterforsafesport.org/report-a-concern/>

To report any other form of Misconduct including Physical and Emotional misconduct (such as bullying, hazing harassment), retaliation, violations of the MAAPP, or any other violations of the SafeSport Code, you may file a concern with USA Volleyball at the following link:

<https://fs28.formsite.com/USAVolleyball/Report-a-concern/index.html>





QUESTIONS?

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Thank you and have a great season!



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