

Good Morning Directors...

We hope that you have enjoyed a fun and relaxing Thanksgiving holiday!

BOYS DIRECTORS:

Please remember that noon **today** is your deadline to register 14-U teams into Boys Power 3 (Dec 9)
Hopefully most of you will also enjoy the new Denver Boys Junior National Qualifier, playing Dec 1-3 at the Denver Convention Center!

GIRLS DIRECTORS:

The girls season is almost upon us!
There's lots of information for you below!

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REMINDERS:

* All of our "Kickoff letters" (1-9) are posted at the [RMR Club Director page](#)
Review these to "get up to speed" on various pre-season topics!

* Deadline coming up!

Monday Dec 11 5pm is for deadline to have your teams registered and validated, at TM2 "Season Master Roster"

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"HOT TOPICS"

Q: Do all teams HAVE to be registered before Dec 11?

A: NO... this is the SEEDING deadline. *(Teams may be created at any time during the year)*

Discussion: If a team is not rostered and validated before Dec 11, then they will be placed into a large "unseeded" group (low) in the age rankings.

Tip: If MOST of your team is known, please register and validate that team (at TM2 SEASON MASTER ROSTER) before Dec 11

This will allow the seeding committee to plan your team fairly accurately

You can add your last few players (or coaches) later

If your COACH won't validate in time for Dec 11 seeding, please list the CLUB DIRECTOR as the coach

Q: What are we doing for "officiating clinics" this year?

A: We are offering a mix of online training, and in-person training sessions

Discussion: In short, we're asking all coaches and players:

* If previously certified for 2 or more seasons (within last 4 seasons)

* Re-certify online-only at Academy

* Academy is found in an individuals' SportsEngine profile ([navigation instructions](#))

* Modules and quizzes are live in each persons enrollments folder

* If a 1st or 2nd year certifier...

* Study online at Academy (*prior* to in-person sessions)

* Attend in-person clinic (could be at club or public)

* In-person clinics may be offered as on-court 'scrimmage with ref/score training"

* Or can be in-class-only if club prefers... or a combination!

* Fee is \$10/student: to cover ref, score or both

* Make-up clinic probably offered at RMR Friendship (possibly at Powers)

Other useful information:

A recording of the **Fall Forum** (season information) is posted to RMR website [here](#)

You may also want to review our [Season Plan presentation](#) (late-summer version)
The Girls Committee is preparing an updated version of this presentation to be released in the next few weeks

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RMR Classic:

- * We are finalizing the gyms for Classic, now.
- * We intend to center this multi-venue event *in the Denver Tech area*, and nearby

RMR Top-Flight and the Zelinkoff bid Tournament (ZBT):

- * Pre register to indicate interest
- * Use "pay by check" option to delay payment,
- * Seeding committee will be able "see" your interest and will consider your ranking at the appropriate time
- * When you are confirmed, you pay by credit card

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Paying for event registrations: (in general)

- * PLEASE USE ACH (fee free!)
- * Pay by credit card if that is more convenient (3% fee applies)
- * Pay-by-check requires our office to manually "accept" each of your team entries, one by one, at TM2.

Full Refunds are available as long as you cancel before deadline (noon Monday two weeks prior to event)

- * Your early registrations help us determine how many gyms to book for each event
- * We can transfer your registration fees to other events, or refund them to you, if your plans change!

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HOTELS

We are about to launch our new "RMR hotel partner program!"

We've combined efforts with a hotel professional, Susan Pendleton, who happens to be a lifetime local volleyball enthusiast, and a current RMR volley-mom!

Susan has been working these last few months to build relationships with a large group of hotels spread all along the Front-Range. She's built a roster of partner properties representing a diverse group of brands as well as independent properties, each of which posts a guaranteed rate for each of our events.

We hope to offer the convenience of "one point shopping" across various brands, along with the benefit of price control...

- For the Showdown and the RMR Classic
- Also for the Power Series!
- And all without the frustrations associated with "stay to play!"
- > YOUR choice of hotel or brand or location
- > NO stay-to-play requirements!

This program is designed to be a member benefit for our RMR families.

The RMR will benefit in that they receive "referee room support" from the partner hotels (Showdown)

Look for publication of partner hotels, guaranteed rates, etc, later this week!

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New to the RMR?

- * You might want to review the "Pre-Season Checklist" on our [New Clubs page](#).