



New Events for Officials

OFFICIALS TRAINING CAMP

North Country Region-USA Volleyball is very excited to host the 2020 USAV Officials Training Camp scheduled to take place February 7-9, 2020 in the Twin Cities. This camp is intended for all officials who wish to advance their current rating or to receive additional training in officiating. In addition, the camp will allow officials to officiate top level matches at the 2020 NCR SmackFest/Presidents Day tournament while receiving invaluable feedback from the USAV National Training Team."Early Bird" registration will open on Friday, November 1, 2019 for North Country Region member officials. **More information about the clinic can be found [HERE](#)**



OFFICIALS TRAINING CAMP FEBRUARY 7 - 9, 2020

In line with the 2019 -2020 strategic plan to Grow the Officials, North Country Region is hosting the Region's **FIRST EVER** Officials Clinic run by the **USA Volleyball Officials National Training Team**.

**REGISTRATION OPEN - [CLICK HERE](#)
FOR INFO**

[Click Here](#)
Official's Checklist

[Click Here](#)
Events to Work



NORTH COUNTRY REGION EVENTS OFFICIALS PAY SCALE



NCR-USAV OFFICIALS 2020 PER MATCH PAY SCALE			
Official Level	SmackFest Weeks 1 & 2	NCR Region Rank Tournaments*	Other
New	\$45.00	\$30.00	\$30.00
Provisional	\$45.00	\$35.00	\$35.00
Regional	\$45.00	\$40.00	\$40.00
Jr. National/National	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$45.00

*Includes Regional National Bid, Metro Area Championship, Area Championships, RRT (1/18/20) & RRT (3/14/20)



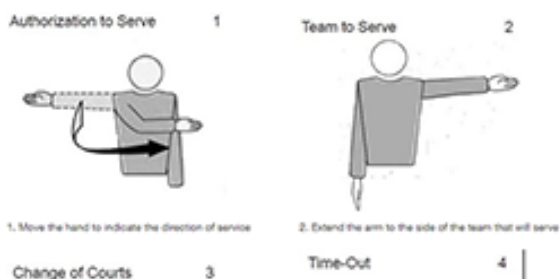
The Car Ride Home



A PLACE FOR VOLLEYBALL PARENTS

North Country Region's website has a section dedicated to **YOU**, the parent! With the assistance of local sports psychologists, leaders in sports, USA Volleyball and club directors, the North Country Region staff collects, updates and provides resources to better serve the entire membership

OFFICIATING 101 - PARENTS GUIDE



Know the Signs

Do volleyball refs' signals leave you lost and wondering what happened? Fret not, there's a method to the motion madness! Here's a list of official referee hand signals.

HOW TO BE A GREAT SPORT PARENT

- **Don't Shout or Yell Criticisms at Players**
- **Remain in the Spectator Area**
- **Do Not Interfere With Coach**
- **Keep Your Composure**
- **Control Your Emotions**
- **Let The Referee Do His/Her Job**
- **Do Not Instruct Players in Games**
- **Do Not Argue With Opposing Parents or Players**
- **Be A Good Role Model**

FOR ATHLETES AND PARENTS



FREE Online Parent Toolkits give you the necessary SafeSport information for your young athlete. Separated by age group or combined for all ages, these Toolkits help parents understand SafeSport best practices and how to respond to signs of abuse.



Clickable Links

[For Parents of Preschool Children](#)

[For Parents of School-Age Children](#)

[For Parents of Middle School Youth](#)

[For Parents of High School Aged Adolescents](#)

[Parent Toolkit – All Ages](#)

THE CUORE PROJECT.



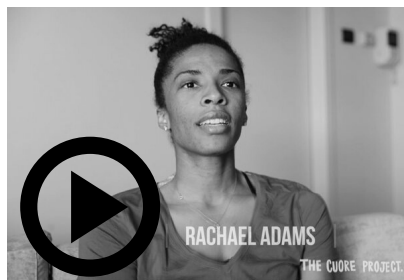
HOW TO DEAL WITH BULLYING

Believe in what makes you special." Learn how Kim Hill, Kelsey Robinson, Karsta Lowe, Rachael Adams, and Hannah Tapp deal with bullying.

WATCH VIDEO



WHY IT'S IMPORTANT TO BE A GOOD TEAMMATE



"In time of need you need each other."

Listen to Kim Hill, Michelle Bartsch-Hackley, Rachael Adams, and Jordan Larson talk about why being a good teammate is paramount.



Junior Club Director HUB



NEW Athletes 18 years of age or turning 18 during the club season are **required to complete "Core" Center for SafeSport training (per USOPC and U.S.Center for SafeSport policies).** No Cost to Members

Parents of minors must complete Junior Athlete SafeSport Consent Form to have access to the training through USAV Academy. Recommend to have all 17s complete the free training so no issues with adding player to a roster.

[CLICK HERE TO ACCESS CONSENT FORM](#)

Recommend

- All 17 year olds in club complete training to avoid potential roster issues during club season
- Complete training **EARLY** - 90 minutes on line
- Directions on how to access SafeSport through USAV Academy - [CLICK HERE](#)

WHAT IS A GRADE TEAM?



A "Club" that has a Junior Player, whose date of birth places them in an age division older than their current grade (USAV Age Definitions). If all team members are in the same grade or younger, the team can be made a "grade team" to accommodate the player who is older but in the same grade.

For more information about grade teams, requesting an age waiver, and rostering a grade team, [CLICK HERE](#).

Grow Your Coaches

For You!



The American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) and North Country Region are AGAIN affiliated partners for the 2019 - 2020 season. Coaches and club directors who have met the Safety and Training Requirements to be on a USA Volleyball roster will have access to the following beginning in January 2020:

- Education Tip of the Week
- Recruiting Tip of the Week
- Coaches of the Year Awards
- Club Director of the Year

SPECIAL CLUB MEMBERSHIP PRICING FOR CLUB DIRECTORS AND THEIR COACHES - CONTACT AVCA HERE. REQUEST REGION RATE



Quick Links for Clubs How-To...

Grade Teams Information

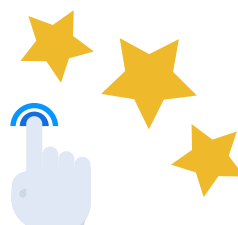
[SafeSport - Parent Consent Form for 17 under training](#)
[Membership Directions and Registration](#)
[Membership Benefits Chart](#)
[Webpoint - Club Admin Manual](#)
[Webpoint - How to Print Membership Card](#)
[Webpoint - Roster Information](#)
[Webpoint - Add or Edit a Team](#)
[Letter of Commitment](#)
[Activate Club on North Country Region Club Directory](#)
[Tournament Sanctioning](#)
[Tournaments Registration and Information](#)
[Region Rank Tournament Information](#)
[Certificate of Insurance Request](#)
[Incident - Injury Report](#)
[Junior Medical Release Form - coaches keep](#)
[Background Screen - How to Register](#)
[Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy Information](#)
[Team Codes](#)
[Officiating - Request In Person Clinic](#)
[Officiating - Online Training Instructions](#)
[Junior Club Directory Information](#)
[Junior Players Wanted - Request Form](#)
[Roster Requirements](#)
[Tryout Sanctioning Form - List your Tryout](#)

For You!



Information coming soon on criteria for consideration and how to access the benefit.

North Country Region and the Art of Coaching have teamed up for another year to provide a coaching benefit to North Country Region eligible coaches. North Country Region will provide 120 Art of Coaching subscriptions. Once the 120 subscription threshold has been met, Art of Coaching has provided NCR with a deeply discounted subscription price for North Country Region members.



Click Here for More Information

2020 Tournaments - GET RANKED



Each year, USA Volleyball's North Country Region sanctions some of the most prestigious and successful volleyball tournaments in the nation. These sanctioned events are designated as **NCR GOLD MEDAL** tournaments. These tournaments are hosted by NCR-USAV member clubs and meet all Region sanctioning requirements including current membership affiliation, verification of all safety and training compliance and use of USAV tournament registration and roster verification resources.

Teams participating in a North Country Region **GOLD MEDAL** competition can rest assured that the event will be of the highest quality and value.



Like **GOLD MEDAL** events, **NCR PODIUM** tournaments are premier volleyball events; but **PODIUM** events also have important region rank implications. **PODIUM** tournaments offer NCR teams the opportunity to receive **"REGION RANK"** points awarded for both competition and finish.

Beginning in January 2020, cumulative region rank points will be updated weekly on NCRUSAV.org; then following the 2020 junior volleyball season, NCR will announce the top ranked teams in each age division! Because of the ranking opportunities involved, R1 officials are utilized at **PODIUM** events. **REGION RANK INFO HERE**



What does it mean when a tournament is sanctioned by NCR - USA Volleyball?

It means.....

- the host club is committed to providing a safe and respectful environment for participants both on and off the court
- ... teams are playing in a tournament where ALL adults working regularly in ANY capacity with minors (coaches, club directors, chaperones, tournament directors, officials, etc.) have passed a rigorous USA Volleyball approved background screen and participate in ongoing SafeSport and IMPACT training
- ... the host club and its tournament are insured by USAV and supported and assisted locally by the North Country Region in-house staff
- ... athletes are playing at their appropriate age level and are following the eligibility rules set forth for the sport of volleyball by USAV
- ... paid officials, as well as scorers and youth work teams, are trained properly on the rules of volleyball as provided by USAV
- ... all events including PODIUM and GOLD MEDAL tournaments are promoted through valuable NCR-USAV marketing resources to over 400 member clubs and over 18,000 individual members

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"A one time fee of \$50 per player allows all players more opportunities to compete in any event across the Region and Nation. More importantly, participating in tournaments sanctioned through USA Volleyball - North Country Region keeps the players protected, coaches have been vetted, the club is insured. I love the accountability. I will also support the tournament directors who attend my events by attending their USAV - NCR events. It is simple support for the little guys supporting the little guys." - NCR Tournament Director



Safe Zone Environment, USA Volleyball Sanctioned, Rosters Validated, North Country Region Staff On Site, Awards, Reasonable Entry Fees & REGION RANK POINTS!



North Country Region will be launching a Region High Performance program in 2020. The mission of the initiative is to identify, train, and develop athletes and coaches to build a sustainable pathway to reach the elite levels of our sport.

North Country Region will have indoor tryouts at collegiate facilities for junior girls and boys located around the region. Through the tryout process, we will select athletes and coaches to attend the North Country Region High Performance Camp in July.

The dates and locations of the tryouts will be announced before the start of the season. For more information and proposed locations, please visit the High Performance page on our website by clicking any of the links connected to this article.

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