#### SUMMER TRYOUTS – FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## Q1. When will tryouts happen for the 2025-26?

A1: Girls U15 grade and older summer tryouts: Jul 29 - Aug 24, 2025

A1a: Tryouts held on July 29th start NET 1600 (29 Jul – 1 Aug)

A2: Boys All Ages: May begin July 29, 2025 (no dead period)

A2a: Tryouts held on July 29th start NET 1600 (29 Jul – 1 Aug)

A3: Girls U14 and younger: October 25th NET 0800

A4: Girls U15 and older Fall tryouts: November 23rd NET 1000

### Q: Is there a dead period for U15 and older girls?

A: Yes, from August 25th – November 22nd

### Q: Are clubs required to hold a U15 and older tryout in the summer period?

A: No, it is up to each individual club on when they opt to hold tryouts. Clubs may have tryouts in both periods as well.

# Q: If a club had tryouts for U15 and older during the summer tryout period, can the same club hold tryouts during the Fall tryout period for U15 and older?

A: Yes

## Q: Can a club offer a player a Letter of Commitment without holding a tryout?

A: Yes; for any gender or age, provided the offer is made during the appropriate time period. See Q/A #1.

# Q: Can a club sign a U15 and older player during the Fall tryout period who did not attend a Summer tryout at the same club?

A: This is a club decision. It will be up to each individual club on how they put their teams together. Contact any club(s) you may have an interest in and inquire.

### Q: Is a player required to attend a tryout to sign a PSR Letter of Commitment?

A: No. A player may sign a Letter of Commitment without attending a tryout, as long as it is during a tryout period based on the player's age and gender.

## Q: Once a player receives an offer from a club, how long do they have before they must sign a PSR Letter of Commitment?

A: 48 hours for all genders and age groups. A club may not rescind an offer during this 48-hour period.

#### Q: Does a player need a USAV membership to attend a tryout?

A: Yes, a player needs a current USAV membership.

#### Q: Does my 2024-25 Junior Player Membership allow me to attend a tryout in July?

A: Yes, your membership doesn't expire until August 31, 2025.

### Q: If I don't have a membership but want to attend a tryout in July, what do I do?

A: Purchase a 2025-26 Tryout Membership from the Puget Sound Region.

### Q: Can a club hold a Girls team practice during the dead period?

A: No

#### Q: Can a club hold a Boys team practice during the dead period?

A: There is NO dead period for boys. Clubs may hold tryouts and practices for the 2025-26 season any time after July 29th, provided ALL participants have a current USAV membership.

Q: Can a club hold a camp, clinic, positional training, or open gym during the dead period?

A: Yes

Q: During the dead period, can a player attend a camp, clinic, open gym, or positional training?

A: Yes

Q: Can a club begin charging dues immediately after the player has signed a Letter of Commitment?

A: Yes

Q: If I get injured after signing a club contact, am I required to continue paying dues to the club?

A: Refer to the contract you signed, this is a matter between you and the club.

Q: I signed a contract during the summer tryout period, what will happen if I decide after High School season, I no longer want to play for the club I signed with?

A: Refer to the contract you signed with the club, this is a matter between you and the club.

Q: If I wish to transfer from the club I signed a contract with during the summer tryout period, what happens?

A: If you have a properly executed Letter of Commitment, you must meet your contractual obligations to the club you signed with initially. The Club Director of your original club must release you BEFORE you may apply to the region for a transfer.

Q: What happens if I wish to quit or transfer from the club I signed a Letter of Commitment?

A: You may apply to the region for a transfer. If a transfer is approved, the athlete will not be allowed to participate in any competition where a bid to the junior national championship is being awarded (i.e. region bid tournament, other region or USA volleyball sanctioned bid tournaments, or national qualifying events).

Q: My high school coach does not want me to attend training with the club I have signed for during the high school season, am I required to follow what my high school or my club wants?

A: This is a matter that will need to be discussed and rectified with your high school coach and club that you signed with.

Q: If I tryout and sign a Letter of Commitment with a club during the summer tryout period can I tryout for another club during the Fall tryout period to try and make a different team?

A: No. Please see the Q/A related to transferring clubs.

Q: If I tried out on or after July 29th but did not sign a Letter of Commitment can I tryout on or after November 23rd?

A: Yes, as long as you have a current USAV membership.

Q: Can players who are U14 and younger tryout for U15 and older teams during summer tryouts?

A: Yes, they can. You should work with your club and coaches to determine the team and age division that is appropriate for your player.

Q: I am a boy and I want to tryout to play on a boys' team, when can I tryout?

A: Anytime on or after July 29th.