

## 2022 – 2023 Letter of Commitment

14 and Younger Age Divisions (born on/after July 1,2008)
October 30, 2022 Effective Date

The Letter of Commitment is to serve the benefit of all parties: the participant, the club, and North Country Region (NCR). As one of 40 Regions of USA Volleyball, NCR adheres to USA Volleyball's guidelines and policies on membership requirements which includes a Code of Conduct and safety requirements of adults working with minor age athletes. The Letter of Commitment may be utilized by NCR – USA Volleyball registered clubs for the current season.

- Upon the Effective Date, this Agreement becomes a binding agreement for the entirety of its Term
  (as defined below). If a Player leaves a Club prior to the end of the Term, the Player remains bound
  by this Agreement.
  - Effective Date:
    - Junior Girls:
      - Ages 14 and under USAV age divisions: last Sunday in October
      - Ages 15-17 USAV age divisions: the day after the high school volleyball tournament in the state in which the Club is located is complete, or until the date which is permitted by such state's high school association rules, whichever is later.
      - 18 USAV Age Division may commit to a North Country Region club and team starting August 1st prior to the upcoming USA Volleyball season and prior to NCR designated tryout dates
      - If a high school volleyball tournament season is cancelled or postponed by a state, the
        Effective Date will be determined after a state has cancelled or postponed a high school
        season, and will be two weeks after USA Volleyball approves sanctioning.
    - Junior Boys:
      - All ages: first Sunday after Labor Day
      - If a high school volleyball tournament season is cancelled or postponed by a state, the

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- Term: September 1 August 31 of the year in which the Effective Date occurs.
- No tryouts or forming of teams may occur prior to effective dates as established by NCR Board of Directors tryout policy and dates. Doing so voids NCR Letter of Commitment.
- Player may sign only one (1) Agreement per Term.
- Upon the earlier of Player signing this Agreement, or Player having participated in North Country Region USA Volleyball ("NCR") sanctioned event (including practice and/or scrimmage) then Player is not allowed to transfer to another club prior to the end of the Term unless (1) released in writing by the Club which Player entered into the Agreement, and (2) approved in writing by NCR in its sole discretion.
- This Agreement may be amended or changed only in writing and signed by Player and Club; provided, however, that Player may rescind this Agreement in Player's sole discretion by explicitly rescinding this Agreement in a writing provided to the Club within twenty-four (24) hours after Player's execution of this Agreement. If Player rescinds this Agreement as provided in this paragraph, this Agreement will be void and of no effect.
- Both Player and Club acknowledge that NCR is a league organizer and is not a party to this Agreement and both Player and Club agree to hold NCR harmless from any claim or action arising out of or relating to Player's participation in the league. NCR has an interest in protecting the integrity of the tryout and team assignment process to ensure fair competition. As such, NCR is an intended third party beneficiary of this Agreement, and shall be entitled to enforce its terms, against either Player or Club, in its sole discretion.
- The terms and conditions of this Agreement have been discussed with the Club representative named below, and Player fully accepts and agrees to be bound by this Agreement's terms and conditions, follow USA Volleyball rules and policies, and follow NCR's rules and policies.

Club Name			
	Print	Signature	Date
Player			
*Parent/Guardian			
Club Representative's Name			

<sup>\*</sup>Parent/Guardian is required to sign this Agreement if Player is younger than 18 years of age at the time of signing of this Agreement. Parent, by signing, acknowledges that she or he has discussed the terms of this Agreement with Player and is executing this Agreement on their behalf as parent/guardian (if player is a minor).

<u>Falsification of any part of this Agreement is a USA Volleyball Code of Conduct violation</u>
<u>which can lead to sanctions</u>. Club should retain a fully-executed copy of this Agreement. Do not submit to NCR unless requested by NCR.