



# TOWN HALL INDOOR YOUTH COMPETITION PLANNING UPDATE

AUGUST 4, 2020

**Volleyball for Life**



# AGENDA

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# Tryout Window Contingency Plan - 2020-21



## Why?

- A contingency plan for lack of permitted gyms
- Limit the risk of transmission
- Secure team cohorts earlier to begin training as a team

## Modification Overview

- Modification 1: Resigning period until August 31, 2020
- Modification 2: Offers from clubs with athletes who have been training with a new club over the summer
- Modification 3: Athlete applications to Clubs and/or on-court tryouts
- Note: Clubs can utilize what makes sense for them

## Key Points

- Modifications keep in line with current Tryout Window policy dates
- Athlete Driven Process
- Opportunities for virtual open houses
- Clubs are being emailed all information prior to anything being posted on the website for all of membership

# January 2021 Calendar Overview

## Why January?

- Lack of permits due to the pandemic
- Uncertainty of COVID-19 pandemic in the fall and potential outbreaks
- Uncertainty of Government legislation and Public health regulations, specifically gathering size limitations
- If we can start earlier, we will!



## Modifications to the Schedule:

- Goal is 3 weeks between age division events
- Playing on March break
- Additional Sundays
- Limitations: # of events per weekend, avoid largest age divisions playing together
- OC's dates will be released later this summer → cancellation date of a large festival style will be by February 1, 2021

**Bottom Line:** We must be able to adapt quickly to COVID-19 landscape



# Changes to Age Division Structure



Major season adjustments are listed below:

- Teams must participate in a minimum of 2 events to qualify for Ontario Championships
- 12U Girls will begin in the Trillium division and then move into divisions
- 13U Girls will begin in Premier, Championships and Trillium divisions
- 13U Boys will begin in Premier and Championship divisions
- 14U-17U Boys and Girls will begin the season with all applicable tiers
- First event for the 14U division will remain an all positions event
- The 18U Boys and Girls will drop the Provincial Cup, as well as the Grand Prix Qualifier/Furlani Cup
- All Grand Prix events will be composed of 12 teams vs 8 teams in 2020



# Seasonal Structure

- Initial Placement for UNDERAGE TEAMS
  - The girls trillium division initial placement is changing from 13-40% to 13-30% after seasonal review
- Ranking for the 2021 January Season
  - Top two 2019/2020 season finishes average
  - Any ties will be broken using the following methods, which will be applied in order until all ties are broken:
    - A team's overall point average for the season
    - # of OVA events the team has participated in their age division
    - A team's result in their most recent event and working backwards to the first event of the 2019/2020 season
    - A team's 2019/2020 pre-season rank (based on the 2019 Ontario Championships)
    - A team's seed going into the 2019 Ontario Championships as the tiebreaker)
    - Coin toss



# Rules and Playing Regulations

- New Ball
  - 11U/12U MVALITE



13U-15U VQ200W



16U-18U V200W



- Warm-up Clarification
  - Coaches are permitted to toss balls over the net during their on-court warm-up time, however, must do so within the 3-metre line.
- Purple Cards
  - The Purple Card will be rolled out for all age divisions in OVA Indoor Competitions.



# Ontario Championships 2021



As of August 2020, the plan is to host 7 events for Ontario Championships for all age groups over the month of April 2021; pending government regulations and gathering size limitations.

The two host cities are:

1. RIM Park, Waterloo
  2. Paramount Fine Foods Centre, Mississauga
- *At this time, the tournament entry fees will remain unchanged from the 2020 rates*

The decision will be made by February 1st if smaller events across Ontario will be required to limit size gatherings/to operate legally under Government regulations.



# Ontario Championships 2021

- Clubs who are located in the outlying areas of the province (minimum 350kms one way away from the playing venue) will be given priority access to book hotel accommodations for Ontario Championships.
- The club's address used for registration will determine the distance from the playing venue.
- The hotel booking process will be released later in the fall.





# Club Administration

- The OVA will be launching an updated version of NRS for all registrations on September 1st called the Membership Registration System (MRS).
- All athletes must register in MRS prior to attending a Club tryout and/or Club practices for the 2020-21 season
  - A Tryout Player role is \$0
  - All individual members must sign up for their own account to sign off on Rowans Law legislation and the OVA membership and COVID-19 wavier.
  - Players who are selected for a Club team will then have to upgrade to a paid membership prior to attending Club practices
  - Clubs must ensure that athletes and/or parents/guardians show proof of MRS registration on the first night of tryouts





# Club Administration

- Due to the uncertainty regarding the start of the indoor season, athletes will not be required to purchase a full OVA membership until just prior to the first competitive event. Athletes will be required to register as members in the MRS in one of the following categories prior to participating in any on-court activities:

Activity	Required Membership Level
Tryouts	Tryout Player or Recreational Player
Club Practices	Recreational Player or Competitive Player
OVA Exhibition Event	Recreational Player or Competitive Player
OVA Competitive Event	Competitive Player

*Note: Club Contacts must pay the full membership fee to create their Club in the MRS system.*

All Club Form data is now being collected through the MRS system under the “Club Profile” section. More information will be provided at the August 14<sup>th</sup> Town Hall session.





# Club Administration

- Tournament Registration fees will be increased for the 2021 season.
  - Fees are not approved by the Board of Directors at this time and will be published as soon as we are more certain of what the season will look like.
  - Fees may see an increase of approximately \$40 per event to cover COVID-19 PPE and staff hiring and training for event delivery.
- The following fees have been changed or re-introduced for the 2020-2021 season:
  - Increase of \$25 to Clubs Fees - \$200+hst
  - Introduction of House League ONLY Club Fee - \$100+hst
  - Introduction of Team Fee - \$10+hst
  - No OVA membership increase for 2020-21





# Volleyball Canada Updates



- Safe Sport Training Modules will be mandatory for any participants attending Nationals in 2021.
  - Training is mandatory for anyone with direct or indirect contact with athletes
  - Training does require a Locker account. There is no cost for the account creation or to take the training modules
  - <https://safesport.coach.ca/>
- Volleyball Canada membership fees are increasing \$1.00
  - The following categories will have an increase of \$1.00 to now be \$31.00.
    - Youth Competitive Player
    - Leader – Club/Team Personnel, Referees
  - The following categories will maintain a participant fee of \$5.00
    - Youth Development Player (Community/Elementary), Leader & Recreational Player
- As VC sends any additional season changes, the OVA will update Clubs



# COACH ELIGIBILITY POLICY

- Focus on safe and responsible coaching
- Easily accessible and available courses
- Applies to all coach members
- Requirements must be met before registration
- No more fines





# 2020-21 COACH ELIGIBILITY POLICY

- All individuals in a **Coach** or **Club Technical Director** role must:
  - Abide by the OVA Screening Policy (PRC and Screening Disclosure Form)
  - Complete Making Head Way (free)
  - Complete Coaches Association of Canada Safe Sport Training (free)
- All **Head Coaches** and **Club Technical Directors** must:
  - Complete Foundations of Volleyball modules (\$89)
  - Complete the Making Ethical Decisions Online Evaluation (free or \$85)



# 2020-21 COACH ELIGIBILITY POLICY

- Clubs must verify their coaches have completed the required courses
  - Clubs will confirm they verified in the Club Information Form
  - "How-to" session on September 14th
- All requirements must be met **before registering as a member**
  - Individuals who have not completed the requirements will not be allowed to e registered as members







Questions?



# Upcoming Town Hall Sessions



- Monday August 10<sup>th</sup>: *Indoor Volleyball Return to Play – Version 2.0 for Stage 3 Communities.*
- Monday August 17<sup>th</sup>: *Addition Indoor Seasonal Planning Updates for Clubs.*
- Monday August 31<sup>st</sup>: *A parent-focused information session, Return to Volleyball Protocols and safety guidelines that Clubs must follow and what the 2020-21 season will bring.*
- Monday September 14<sup>th</sup>: *Coach Eligibility & Club Responsibilities.*



Thank you!