

New Tournament Format beginning November 1, 2008

Club Tournaments

- Club Tournaments will be offered in the following age groups: 18/17, 16/15, 14/13, and 12. All teams who do not participate in the Power League are eligible to play in a Club Tournament.
- The Club Division consists of the following tournaments:
 - Seeding
 - IVA Event #1
 - IVA Event #2
 - Re Seeding
 - IVA Event #3
 - IVA Event #4
 - Region Championships
- The Club Division Region Championship does NOT receive a bid to the Junior Olympic Volleyball Championships. Any team may join this tournament regardless of number of IVA tournaments played or membership level or status. Non IVA/USAV members will be required to pay a small one time event fee to participate.
- The Club Division will be placed in divisions of 8 or 12 teams for each Event Tournament. The top 2 teams in each division will move up one division for the following event and the bottom two teams will drop one division.
- The deadline to enter these tournaments will be posted on the tournament schedule online.
- Play will begin at 8:30 AM
- Each match is best two-out-of-three sets to 25 points in the first two sets and to 15 points in the third set if necessary. All sets will use rally scoring with no cap.
- After pool play, all teams will advance to playoff brackets. If bracket play cannot be completed by 6:00 PM, the tournament director can change the scoring method from a best two-out-of-three sets to one set to 25 points. Teams will switch sides when one team scores 13 points. The decision will be based on leaving the site by 6:00 PM and must receive majority approval from all teams/coaches affected by decision. This rule will not be in effect for any Seeding, Reseeding or Qualifying Events.
- Club Division teams are required to provide the following for officiating assignments: first referee, second referee, two line judges and two scorekeepers
 - It is required that a registered, background screened adult be the first referee for each match. If a coach is not the first referee, a coach MUST be present at the court to assist the first referee.
 - IVA will provide a site director at each site for assistance on all courts.

Power League Tournaments

- Power League Tournaments will be offered in the following age groups: 18/17, 16/15, 14/13.
- Play will begin at 8:30 AM for all Power League Tournaments.

- The deadline to enter the Power League is 5:00 PM, December 26. Faxes are not accepted and there are no refunds. Payment must accompany league entries, and entries must be completed online.
- In order to accurately seed teams for the beginning of the season, the Power League begins with a 2-day League Seeding Tournament. Following the Seeding Tournament, there will be three League tournaments followed by a 2-day Bid Qualifier.
 - The Power League Bid Qualifier Champion receives the Region Bid to the Junior Olympic National Championships. In the event that the 1st place team is not registered to attend the Junior Olympic National Championships, the bid will trickle down to the first team meeting all registration requirements for the Junior Olympic National Championship Event.
- **All tournaments of the Power League are mandatory**, which means that teams entering the Power League will play 7 mandatory days over 5 weekends. Teams that do not meet this requirement will be dropped from the Power League and will not be eligible to compete in the Bid Qualifier. No refund will be given.
- The cost for playing in the Junior Girls Power League is \$1500 per team, due on December, 26, 2007. Payment is required at the time of entry and entries must be completed online.
- After entering the Power League, teams will be automatically entered into all League dates, including the 2-day Qualifier and the 2-day Bid Qualifier. **ALL TEAMS MUST BE PREPARED TO TRAVEL TO THEIR MANDATORY SITES.**
- Each match is best two-out-of-three sets to 25 points in the first two sets and to 15 points in the third set if necessary. All sets will use rally scoring with no cap.
- All teams will be divided into pools for partial round robin play. After pool play, all teams will advance to a playoff bracket(s).
- The Power League will be placed in divisions of 8 or 12 teams for each Event Tournament. The top 2 teams in each division will move up one division for the following event and the bottom two teams will drop one division.
- Power League Teams are required to provide during their officiating assignment: second referee, two line judges, and two scorekeepers.
- A team may only play up an age division if that team qualifies for the Junior Olympic Championships in the Open Division. Teams that have the ability to move up an age group will return to their own age group for the Bid Qualifier.
- Any and all teams that qualify for the Junior Olympic Championships will play in the Bid Qualifier. The Bid will go to the highest finishing, non-qualified team that has met all registration requirements for the Junior Olympic Championship Event.

Switching Leagues

A team may choose to play in the Power League or in the Club Tournaments. A team may play in both the Power League and Club tournaments concurrently in the same season. However, a team playing in the Power League is required to attend all Power League events.

Switching from Club to Power – Not Allowed

Switching from Power to Club

- If a team plays in the Power and decides it would rather play in the Club, the team will be allowed to enter the Club at that time.
- The team will not receive a refund from the Power League, but will not have to pay an additional fee for the Club Tournaments.
- A team that switches from the Power to the Club may not switch back to the Power.

Community Tournaments

Community Tournaments are tournaments run by clubs, cities, or other organization which are sanctioned and approved with the IVA. Anyone may organize and run one of these tournaments and any team regardless of membership level may participate. Teams that are not IVA/USAV members will be required to pay a small one time event fee to enter. Both Club and Power teams may also compete/run these tournaments. Contact IVA for more information.