

CHANGES FOR 2017-18

Be sure to *READ THE 2017-18 TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR MANUAL* when it is sent out on September 1, 2017 to see these changes in more detail and learn how they will affect you.

Sanctioning Process: There will no longer be a “pre-sanction” before requirements should be sent to the KRVA office and there will no longer be a specific day that sanctions begin. At the beginning of August, the Event Coordinator will send the Tournament Directors a list of all of the requirements needed before their tournaments are sanctioned. Once the Tournament Sanction Request (TSR) spreadsheet is received, along with all of their requirements, tournaments for each TD will be sanctioned. This is a first come first “sanction” system, keeping in mind that *the needs of the region will take precedence* and changes may be asked of TD’s even if requirements are in early. Past tournament history and TD compliance will also be considered. More info will be sent out on the sanctioning process shortly.

In the past, the pre-sanction served the purpose of letting TD’s know that they had tournaments sanctioned and they should send their requirements. Now, rather than waiting, the TD can send everything right away. Once it all is received, their tournaments will be fully sanctioned.

Roster Checks: KRVA is now requiring coaches to provide two rosters to the TD for the check in table. One of those the TD will keep and send to KRVA after the event. The TD will place the other copy at the table of the court which the teams will be competing. The officials will check rosters prior to matches. The two copies must match exactly and must be signed by a rostered adult.

Officials and Chief Official: TD’s are still able to acquire their own officials; however, a list of those officials must be sent to the assignor and the officials must accept the assignment in Arbiter (the system we use for scheduling). Officials must be in good standing with the region and have a current certification. Also, the chief official will be assigned by KRVA through Arbiter. TD’s can request a specific Chief Official for one or all of their events, but the chief official must be approved by KRVA and accept the assignment through arbiter. Otherwise, the TD is responsible to work with the assignor to acquire officials as in the previous years.

Contracts: KRVA will now be requiring TD’s to have proof of guaranteed gym space for the requested dates on the TSR. Contracts are preferred, but appeals will be heard when contracts are not an option. The tournaments will not be fully sanctioned until the contracts (or an equivalent determined by KRVA) have been received. Please contact Chynna Tavares at events@krva.org for appeals after attempting to obtain a contract from the venue.

TD Deposit and Compliance: The TD deposit will be returned to the tournament director based on the compliance of each TD. All requirements will be monitored for each tournament and given points based on completion and timeliness. At the end of the tournament season, points will be added to give a percentage of compliance, which will determine how much of the deposit is given back. The breakdown can be found in Appendix E of the Tournament Director Manual when it is released September 1, 2017.

Due Dates: After each event, KRVA will continue to require TD’s to complete the results, finishes, TD post-event report, and rosters, however the due dates have shifted slightly. Sanction fees received by the due date will also be considered more heavily in TD compliance, as outlined in Appendix E. On a similar note, sanction fees not received on time will incur a late fee outlined in the TD Manual and Appendix F.