



FEBRUARY 22 – 24, 2019

**PA FARM SHOW COMPLEX AND EXPO CENTER – WEISS ARENA
HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA**

BIDS AVAILABLE

14 Open – 2 Bids
15 Open – 3 Bids
16 Open – 3 Bids
17 Open – 3 Bids
18 Open – 3 Bids

16 USA – 3 Bids
17 USA – 2 Bids
18 USA – 3 Bids

PA FARM SHOW COMPLEX AND EXPO CENTER REGULATIONS

NO OUTSIDE FOOD AND DRINK PERMITTED (WATER AND SPORTS DRINKS ARE PERMITTED)
NO COOLERS PERMITTED INSIDE THE FACILITY
NO BALL HANDLING IN THE HALLWAYS OR OFF SPORT COURT
SMOKING IS NOT PERMITTED IN ANY BUILDINGS
NO FIREARMS OR WEAPONS PERMITTED IN THE FACILITY

TEAM CHECK-IN (MANDATORY FOR TEAMS PLAYING OR WORKING THE AM WAVE)

AM Wave – MANDATORY

PM Wave – Not a bad idea to get it out of the way

OPEN - Thursday, February 21, 2019

5:00 - 8:00 PM

Weiss Arena – Tournament Desk

USA – Friday, February 22, 2019

5:00 - 8:00 PM

Weiss Arena – Tournament Desk

PM WAVE – MANDATORY (IF YOU DID NOT CHECK-IN THURSDAY NIGHT)

OPEN - Friday, February 22, 2019

10 -12 PM

Weiss Arena – Tournament Desk

USA - Saturday, February 23, 2019

10- 12 PM

Weiss Arena – Tournament Desk

It is HIGHLY recommended all teams check-in the night before competition should there be any roster issues. Only one representative need be present to check-in teams (note, one representative may check-in multiple teams from a club). Any additions to the roster will be verified through the USAV Webpoint membership database (to include backgrounds, SafeSport and IMPACT certification). Roster additions may be subject to a \$25.00 fee (check only). It is highly recommended all rosters changes be made in TM2Sign before check-in! Final rosters are due in TM2Sign before February 19 at 12 pm.

SCHEDULE

The schedule will be posted in [TM2Sign at 12 PM the Monday before the event \(2/18/19\)](#).

The Open division is playing three (3) days with a minimum match guarantee of seven (7). The USA division is playing two (2) days with a minimum match guarantee of five (5). Tie breakers will be played in pools advancing to Gold. The tie breaking procedure can be found at the end of this packet (we recommend you bring a copy for your own reference during the tournament).

Waves will be published on Friday (2/15) at 12 PM.

THIS IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO UNFORSEEN CIRCUMSTANCES SUCH AS TEAM DROPS!

ROSTERS

We will provide you a roster at check-in. Rosters must be presented at the beginning of each match. You will incur a \$5 roster reprint fee if you lose your roster. KEEP IT SAFE!

PARKING

Parking at the PA Farm Show Complex and Expo Center is \$10/day with in/out privileges.

T-SHIRTS

Tournament t-shirts will be on sale in the vendor area at the venue.

SAFESPORT TRAINING REQUIREMENT

Participation in nationally sanctioned junior events will require that SafeSport certification be completed by all registered adults (note, foreign teams are exempt but we strongly recommend you take the course). Individual regions may set earlier deadlines for their respective regional events.

Per the NGB Athlete Safety Policy, SafeSport training is required for those individuals the NGB formally authorizes, approves, or appoints (a) to a position of authority over, or (b) to have frequent contact with athletes. SafeSport training certification is required prior to participating in any USA Volleyball junior programming.

Additionally, the US Center for SafeSport released new training modules this year. The coursework is delivered through the USAV Academy. Accessing the course through the USAV Academy is critical to tracking certification, expiration dates, and accurate rostering. Please access the course exclusively through the USAV Academy (not the USOC SafeSport website). Certification of the new course is valid for two seasons. Certification through the old course is good through the 2017/2018 season.

To register for SafeSport training:

1. Go to <https://webpoint.usavolleyball.org/>.
2. If you are a new user, click on the “request a login” tab otherwise log in to your USAV account.
3. In the navigation menu, click on USAV Clinics and select USAV Coaching Clinics.
4. Select SafeSport On-Demand: Two-Season Certification.
5. Complete registration.
6. To access coursework, click on the **Log into USAV Academy** button.
7. Should you need to return to your coursework at a later time, log in to your USAV account and click on the **Log into USAV Academy** button.

For technical issues, while completing the course, please visit: <http://help.usavolleyballacademy.org/>.

TEAM OFFICIATING DUTIES

Teams are responsible for providing an officiating/work crew for matches in which they are not scheduled to play. Those work assignments can be found in the official play schedule. **NOTE: TEAMS IN 5-TEAM POOLS WILL HAVE TO PROVIDE TWO (2) WORK TEAMS ACROSS TWO COURTS. PLEASE NOTIFY CHAMPIONSHIP IMMEDIATELY IF YOU HAVE AN ISSUE FILLING ASSIGNMENTS. TO ASSIST, WE ALLOW ONE PERSON TO FILL BOTH THE LIBERO TRACKER AND SCOREBOARD OPERATOR. USAV MEMBERS CAN SERVE AS LINE JUDGES. A TEAM IS PERMITTED TO USE A JUNIOR AS R2 IF TWO ADULTS ARE NOT AVAILABLE AND AS LONG AS THE SECOND R2 IS A ROSTERED ADULT.**

For planning purposes, be prepared to provide the following officials:

- **Second Referee**
 - **Must be a rostered adult for ALL age division matches**
- **Certified Scorer (PENALTIES NOTED BELOW)**
- **Scoreboard Operator**
- **Libero Tracker**
- **2 Line Judges**

Non-rostered personnel may be allowed to work on the officiating team, with the exception of the R2 position, provided they can provide documentation that they are registered with a region of USAV to include a current membership, cleared background screening, and taken SafeSport, as well as have the appropriate certifications. Appropriate paperwork would need to be provided for Foreign Team personnel.

- A team’s failure to have a complete officiating crew—including a rostered adult for that team—available and on time for an officiating assignment could result in the team having to forfeit the first game of its next match.
- For every minute an officiating team is late to fulfill its assignment, one point will be awarded to that team’s next opponent in the first game of the next match for up to 25 points. No more than 25 points will be awarded to the team’s next opponent, even if the team designated to officiate misses the entire match. The time that determines how many penalty points are assessed begins at the start of the receiving team’s warm-up.
- A team will forfeit its entire next match for failing, a second time, to have an officiating crew available on time for an officiating assignment.

MISSED OFFICIATING PENALTIES

- For missed assignments during the tournament, see the three bullet points directly above, under Team Officiating Duties.
- For a team’s last assignment, if a team leaves before completing their last work assignment, the tournament director has the right to impose the following penalties on that team and/or club as determined by the tournament director:
 - A fine to be paid to the Tournament Director equal to the cost of hiring certified officials to fill in for any work assignments not fulfilled by the assigned team
 - A ban from that team or club’s participation at that tournament for the following season (this would most likely be levied against repeat offenders)

Note: It is strongly suggested to all teams that you check out with the TD before leaving the venue, after your last match of each day,

to avoid any unnecessary penalties.

MISSED OFFICIATING PENALTIES WITH REGARDS TO THREE-WAY TIE BREAKERS

Scenario 1: After the determination of a tie breaker and all three teams are present for the first tie break. If a team misses an officiating assignment for the match following the tie-break, then all penalties for missing an officiating assignment apply.

Scenario 2: If one or two team(s) are missing for the tie break matches. The team(s) that does not show up will not be penalized any further than the lost opportunity by not being present for the tie-breaker. No further penalties will be applied.

WARM-UP

Warm-ups will be 2-4-4 (2 minutes of ball handling followed by 4 minutes for each team beginning with the serving team). The same procedure applies to tie-breaking games.

BJNC BID TOURNAMENTS

In the Bid Tournaments, Open and USA bids will be offered to the teams that finish the competition in a bid award position.

Bids must be accepted or denied at the time the bid is awarded by the tournament director. Bids not awarded at the Bid Tournament will revert to the at-large pool.

If a team finishes in a bid award position and declines the bid, that team will not be eligible for at-large consideration.

To compete in an Open or USA division at the BJNC a team must earn a bid at a Bid Tournament or be awarded a bid through the at-large process. To be considered for an at-large bid to the BJNC, a team must enter the event through the approved USAV online registration system as an Open or USA team, and submit complete and accurate results by all posted deadlines. In the absence of such results, a letter of explanation addressing the reason(s) why such results are not available, and reason(s) why the team should be considered for an at-large bid. The letter is to be submitted to the USAV Events Department by the entry deadline. Please see the current BJNC pre-tournament manual for deadlines and other information (link below). The teams awarded the at-large bids will be selected by the BCC with final approval of the USAVED using the following criteria:

1. Must have competed in at least one (1) bid tournament (in a bid division—Open OR USA)*
2. Register your team in the OPEN or USA division for the BJNC in AES and send payment and the entry form with the at-large consideration line checked by the posted deadline (may not apply for both Open and USA).
3. Strength
4. Record against Qualified teams
5. Record against at-large applicants
6. Past year's BJNC finish of the rostered players
7. Date of entry

Note: Any team that declines a bid at a bid tournament will be ineligible for an at-large bid.

*Hawaii and Puerto Rico will be given one (1) Open bid for the 14 and 15 & under age divisions. Each territory will award those bids to a team in each age division by any means they deem appropriate (i.e. a tournament or via an application process). Any other team wishing to receive an Open or USA bid for the 14 or 15 & under age divisions must attend a bid tournament and apply for an At-Large bid if necessary. **If Hawaii or Puerto Rico choose to award the allotted bids via a tournament, that tournament is not considered a sanctioned USAV bid tournament and does not count towards the required criteria to be eligible to apply for an at-large bid.**

SANCTIONS FOR NOT USING BIDS

Teams that earn bids must use their bids or be subject to sanctions according to these policies:

- If a team that earns and accepts an Open or USA bid or an at-large bid but does not participate in the BJNC in the division in which it was awarded the bid, the following penalties may apply:
 - Payment of entry fee (if a team returns a bid at least 30 days prior to the start of BJNC) OR entry fee plus \$1,000 fine (if a team returns a bid within 30 days of the start of BJNC).
 - If the payment is not received for the BJNC Event Entry Fee and/or fines, the club director(s), coaches affiliated with official qualification roster will be prohibited from participating in BBTs and BJNC until the fee is paid in full. Further legal actions may be taken to ensure payment is received

Boys' Junior National Championships – for more information on bids, divisions, and attending, please visit the USAV website: <https://www.teamusa.org/usa-volleyball/calendar/2018/july/02/boys-junior-national-championship>

AWARDS

The top three finishers in each Gold Division will receive a team plaque. Each player on these rosters will receive an individual award. No awards will be given for teams placing outside of the Gold Division.

It is the obligation of the head coach to be aware of his/her individual State High School Association rules regarding the acceptance of awards. If necessary, present the properly signed papers as required by your State High School Activities Association. This will prevent a delay in the actual presentation of the awards at the Event.

RULES OF PLAY

The [2017-2019 Domestic Competition Regulations](#) will be in effect throughout the 2018/2019 season and for the USA Volleyball Boys' Junior National Championships. Participants, coaches and team representatives in the USA Volleyball Boys' Junior National Championships are subject to and must obey ALL rules, regulations and policies of USA Volleyball herein or otherwise written. Key rules are listed below:

- Rally Score to 25 points, all sets must be won by a margin of two (2) points.
- Deciding sets of best 2-of-3 matches will be rally scoring to 15 points
- Third sets of matches in designated 3-team pools will be to 25 points and there will be a coin toss between sets two and three to determine "side", "serve" or "receive".
- One set to 25 points will be used for any playoff matches to break ties.
- In all third sets of full matches and in all playoff matches, teams will switch sides at eight or 13 points as appropriate.
- Twelve (12) substitutions and up to two (2) Liberos
 - If two (2) Liberos are used, they must be identified prior to the start of the match
 - If zero (0) or one (1) Libero is used, they must be identified prior to the start of each set
- The Roster may contain up to 15 players and no more than 5 staff members.
- Net heights
 - Boys 15's - 18's: 2.43 m (7'-11 ½")
 - Boys 14's: 2.24 m (7'-4 ½")
- Balls
 - The Molten FLISTATIC (V5M5000-3) for the 14-18 & Under divisions.
- Each team must play within its own playing area and space. However, the ball may be retrieved from beyond the free zone. Rule USAV 9 states:
 - If obstructions or other safety concerns prohibit retrieval from beyond the free zone, the player retrieving a ball over a non-playing area must be in contact with the playing surface when contact with the ball is made.
 - Non-playing areas are defined as the: (1) walls, bleachers or other spectator seating areas; (2) team benches and any area behind the team benches; (3) area between the scorer's table and the team benches; (4) any other area outlined in the pre-match conference by the first referee.
 - If nets or dividers are separating courts, only the player attempting to play the ball may move the net or divider to play the ball

The area beyond the edge of the Sport Court is designated a non-playing area due to safety concerns.
- See *Team Uniform & Jewelry* section below for more in-depth information on uniforms.

USAV 7.2.2.b: "For Junior competition, when one team has exclusive use of the court, the other team must either be at its team bench or out of the playing area. Warming up with balls at the team bench or the spectator walkways is not permitted." In addition, teams are allowed and encouraged, but not required, to retrieve balls while the opponent is warming up, provided this does not interfere with the opponent's warm-up and is done in a sporting manner.

TEAM FORFEITURES

A team that intentionally forfeits a match will be excluded from further participation in that Bid Tournament. If a team forfeits a match, the forfeit will be considered intentional unless the team shows good cause for the forfeit. The Bid Tournament Arbitrator will determine if good cause exists. The Bid Tournament will report any team that intentionally forfeits a match to the USAV Events Department.

If a team intentionally forfeits a match in the Gold Level during the third round of pool play in an Open division the team's sanction will be the same as the sanction for accepting and then not using a bid:

That team, its coaches, its club director and all its club's teams will be suspended from participating in all national qualifying events for the following season.

PROTESTS OF THE RULE OF PLAY

Rule 20.1.2: Participants must accept referees' decisions with sportsmanlike conduct, without disputing them. In case of doubt, clarification may be requested only through the game captain.

USAV Rule 5.1.2.1 (in part): If an explanation of an application or interpretation of a rule is not satisfactory to the game captain, he/she must immediately indicate his/her disagreement and file an official protest prior to the authorization of the next service....

USAV Rule 5.1.2.2 (in part): For nationally sanctioned 14-and-under competition, the coach may act instead of the game captain....

What is considered to be an offense that may be protested? Rule USAV 5.1.2.1 also states (in part): Protests considered by the first referee include a 1) misinterpretation of a playing rule; 2) failure of the first referee to apply the correct rule to a given situation; or 3) failure to charge the correct penalty-sanction for a given fault. Judgment calls are NOT subject to protest.

Protests of the playing rules during a set/match must be lodged in a formal manner prior to the next service. Between sets, a protest of the last play of the set must occur within one minute, and also at the end of the match, the protest of the last play of the match must occur within one minute. The protest shall be handled by a committee of (3) persons, one of whom must be a certified USA National referee or scorer, depending on the nature of the protest. The committee shall be composed of the following:

1. Committee Chair: The National Rules Interpreter or designee (Head Referee for the Event)
2. A representative of the USAV Championship Committee, USAV Events Department staff or designee to be named by the Event Director.

All rulings of this committee are final and not subject to appeal.

All protests will be settled at the time they are lodged. No match will be allowed to proceed until the protest is settled. Protests can ONLY be related to the rules of play.

TEAM UNIFORMS & JEWELRY

Team players shall wear uniforms that are in full compliance with the United States Volleyball Domestic Competition Regulations (see Rule USAV 4.3). If two or more sets of uniforms are used, players will be required to wear the **identical** number for each set of shirts. Shirt numbers must be clearly visible for identification by spectators, selection committees and scorers. The numbers "0" and "00" are unacceptable and will not be permitted. Team members shall either be in proper uniform when warming up, or their jerseys shall be in clear view on the back of the team bench. All Libero shirts shall be numbered. If an individual competes in a position other than Libero, his number must be the same.

Please note that **Rule USAV 4.3.3.1 and USAV 4.3.3.2** will be strictly enforced. This rule specifies that numbers must be of contrasting color (to the jersey) and **centered** with no smaller than 6-inch numbers on the back and 4-inch numbers on the front of the jersey. It is recommended that the numbers be a minimum of 8 inches on the back and 6 inches on the front.

NOTE: In order to alleviate any potential problems, inconvenience and/or extra expense to your team, please ensure that the numbers on each set of jerseys (shirts) are in clear contrast to the color of the jersey, are the correct size and are placed on the jersey as required by the Domestic Competition Regulations. Once competition has begun, all requests for number changes will be denied with exception for blood rules.

- **Libero Uniform Color Rule USAV 19.2 states:**
"The Libero players must wear a uniform (or jacket/bib for the re-designated Libero) which has a different dominant color from any color of the rest of the team. The uniform must clearly contrast with the rest of the team. The Libero uniforms must be numbered like the rest of the team. Color combinations such as purple/black, dark green/black, navy/maroon and white/light yellow are not distinctive enough to comply with the rules."

For complete description of the rules go to: https://volleyballreftraining.com/rules_interpretations_indoor.php.

Rule USAV 4.3.5 states: "For nationally sanctioned competition, uniforms must be identical with the exception of the sleeve length and the Libero Players".

Rule USAV 4.3 states: "If undergarments, including but not limited to t-shirts, boxer shorts, tights, leotards, body suits, bicycle shorts, sports bras, etc., are worn in such a manner that they are exposed, they will be considered a part of the uniform. In that case, they

must be similar and the same color for any team members (except the Libero) who wear such a uniform. Socks and sport shoes are not part of the uniform.”

Rule USAV 4.5.1 states (in part): “...A junior volleyball athlete participating in a junior event may not wear jewelry....”

SPORT MEDICINE

Treatments

There will be a certified athletic trainer available to tape ankles and assist with minor injuries at the playing site. All players must have a USA Volleyball Medical Release form prior to receiving treatment.

An EMT will be onsite for emergencies.

Supplies

You need to bring your own taping supplies. Equipment and supplies will be furnished for emergency care only. Tables will be open for routine wrapping and taping, but the individual must furnish supplies. Trainers will perform taping and wrapping if the individual desires. Water fountains are near restrooms, and water can be purchased from the concession stand. Remember to encourage all players to drink even if they do not feel thirsty. This prevents dehydration and additional problems.

Special Medical Problems

If an athlete has a special medical problem or condition, please notify the Medical Staff prior to any involvement in competition at this event to assure the safety of the athlete.

DISCIPLINARY ACTION

Any person listed on the Official Roster who is causing unfavorable situations either prior to, during or after the Florida Fest Boys' Bid Tournament is subject to disciplinary action by the EVENT ARBITRATORS. In particular, use of alcohol or drugs by players and/or officials will bring disciplinary action by the EVENT ARBITRATORS. Plain-clothed off-duty policemen and uniformed/non-uniformed hotel security personnel will be patrolling the halls of the motels/hotels. They must, by law, take a different approach when finding players/officials who possess or consume illegal substances. If a rostered team member is disqualified from a match in a multi court facility, the disqualified person must report immediately to the championship desk (or site manager at an outlying site) until the issue is addressed by the event arbitrator or the team will default the match.

ANYONE DISCOVERED IN POSSESSION OR CONSUMING ILLEGAL SUBSTANCES WILL BE AUTOMATICLY EXPELLED FROM THE CHAMPIONSHIPS. THERE ARE NO WARNINGS FOR ALCOHOL OR DRUG CONSUMPTION BY PLAYERS OR ANY OTHER UNDERAGE PERSON WHOSE NAME APPEARS ON THE OFFICIAL ROSTER. IF DISCOVERY OCCURS AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF PLAY FOR THE PLAYER/TEAM, THE USAV CORPORATE ETHICS AND ELIGIBILITY COMMITTEE WILL BE NOTIFIED AND THE EXTENSION OF SANCTIONS MAY RESULT IN THE LIMITING OF FUTURE PARTICIPATION WITH USA VOLLEYBALL. ANY HIGH PERFORMANCE, YOUTH OR JUNIOR NATIONAL TEAM MEMBER FOUND IN POSSESION OF ALCOHOL OR ILLEGAL SUBSTANCES MAY BE REMOVED FROM PARTICIPATION WITH THE NATIONAL PROGRAM.

PROVOCATIVE BEHAVIOR

USA Volleyball conducts USA Championship events, which are primarily domestic in nature, and while teams from other countries may participate, these Events are NOT International Events. Furthermore, domestic teams are representative of USAV Member Organizations, and, as such, do not officially represent a governmental structure within the United States.

Therefore, the following standing policy will apply to all USA Championship volleyball events conducted by USA Volleyball:

“Comments and/or actions by an Event Participant, Team Member (roster personnel) or Spectator, which is deemed to be provocative, or provokes an opponent, other participant(s), team member(s), opponents team member(s) or spectator(s) will not be tolerated and shall be subject to disciplinary action by the Event Arbitrator.”

ETHICS AND ELIGIBILITY VIOLATIONS

Event Arbitrator

Event Arbitrators shall serve as the first level for hearing and resolving ethics and eligibility issues at a specific event. Teams or individuals accused of committing violations of ethics and/or eligibility rules and regulations at qualifying and/or championship events shall meet with the Event Arbitrator(s).

The authority for the Event Arbitrator to act begins with the arrival of a team and individual participants in the competition city, or 48 hours prior to the first day of competition, whichever is earlier. That authority shall continue for the duration of the Event through its conclusion.

Decisions of the Event Arbitrator shall be conveyed immediately to the affected parties and may be appealed to the Event Ethics and Eligibility Appeals Committee.

Event Ethics and Eligibility Appeals Committee

An Event Ethics and Eligibility Appeals Committee shall be formed for each qualifying and championship event sponsored by the Corporation. Each committee shall be composed of three (3) members, one (1) of whom shall meet the definition of the Corporation as a domestic player who is at least 21 years of age.

Each committee shall act on appeals of ethics and eligibility decisions that occur during the conduct of the event. The conduct of an event shall commence when an individual or a team arrives at the site of the event, or forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the first day of competition for that event, whichever is earlier. That authority shall conclude with the departure of the individual and / or team from the city in which the event has been held.

If the Committee is of the opinion the violation is of such a nature that requires further review or more serious discipline beyond the duration of a National Championship event, the Committee will send a report to the chair of the Corporate Ethics and Eligibility Committee for further action. If the chair is unavailable, then the Associate Chair of the Corporate Ethics and Eligibility Committee will be given the report. The Chair (or Associate Chair if necessary) will notify the USAV Events Department outlining what action (if any) was taken as a result of the report.

USA VOLLEYBALL AGE AND IDENTITY FALSIFICATION POLICY (BOD APPROVED 01/2004)

For all USVBA corporate events, any person who alters any document that certifies the age or identity of a participant, or falsifies any statement which lists the age or identity of a participant, will be sanctioned as follows:

Any team representative, coach, program director or responsible adult found to be party to such action shall:

1. Be immediately suspended from registration with the USVBA and barred from further participation in the event; and
2. Be barred from participation in any USVBA events in any capacity for a minimum of two (2) years; and
3. Have a minimum probation of one additional year, to run consecutively to the suspension

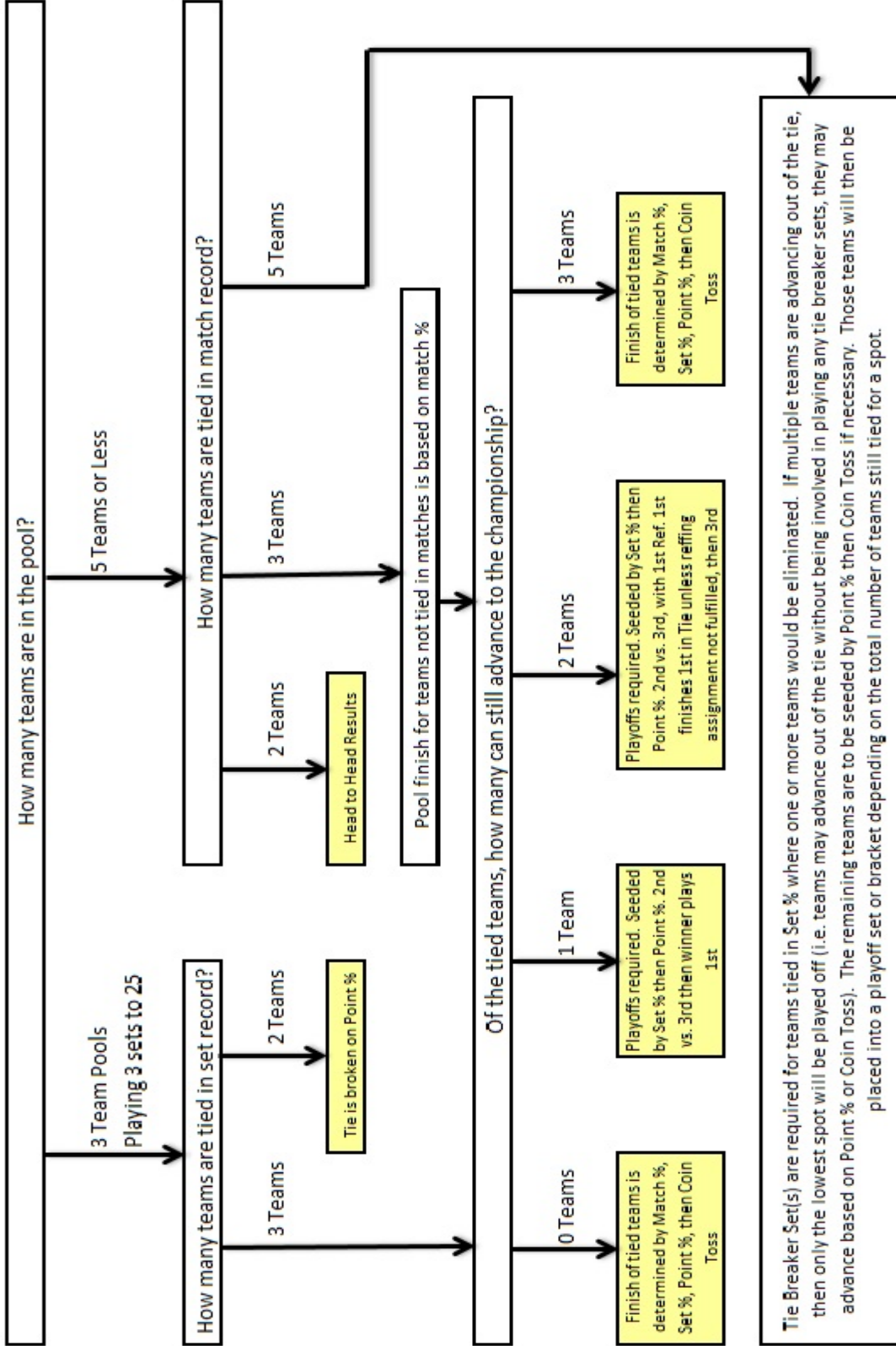
A junior player who knowingly plays in a lower age classification than he or she is actually eligible for, or an adult player who knowingly plays in a higher age classification than he or she is actually eligible for, or any player who knowingly misrepresents his or her identity shall:

1. Be immediately suspended from registration with the USVBA and barred from further participation in the event;
2. Be barred from participation in any USVBA events in any capacity, for a minimum of two (2) years; and
3. Have a minimum probation of one additional year, to run consecutively to the suspension.

When discovered and confirmed during an event, these penalties shall be the required minimum penalty imposed by the Event Arbitrator or the Event Ethics and Eligibility Committee.

The Event Arbitrator or the Event Ethics and Eligibility Appeals Committee shall file a report of any age or identity violation with the Corporation's Ethics and Eligibility Appeals Committee and with the registering Member Organization with its recommendation. (BOD-1/04)

USA Volleyball Championship Tie Breaking Procedure



All tie-breaking sets will be played to 25 points, with one team winning by two points and no point cap.