



KEYSTONE REGION OF USA VOLLEYBALL

RECRUITING POLICY SUMMARY



It is the responsibility of every club and its agents to act responsibly when attracting athletes to their program. Athletes and their parents/guardians are expected to know their rights in the recruiting process. The Keystone Region has the following Recruiting Policy designed to:

1. Protect the interests of a player and/or family regarding club contact;
2. Allow players and families to seek information they want from clubs;
3. This policy applies to players of all ages/skill levels.

IN-SEASON Defined as the time between a player accepting an offer (Loyalty/Summer/Fall) to join a club and the conclusion of the USAV National Championships, or when the player is released from the club.

- Clubs or their registered representatives (coaches and other personnel) may not initiate contact with players or Parents/Guardians who are registered with a different club.
- Parents/Guardians may contact any club they wish at any time.
- Once a Parents/Guardians says “stop,” contact must stop until the next off-season.
- Club representatives that switch Clubs may NOT contact players from their previous Club

DEAD PERIOD: Defined as the time junior players begin and end their high school seasons.

- Players that have accepted offers from a club:
 - MUST adhere to their high school program rules.
 - Are allowed to participate in their clubs’ activities.
 - On court activities are limited to groups of 3 or less
- Clubs or their registered representatives are allowed to hold club activities for players/Families that have accepted offers including but not limited to practices, strength & conditioning session, team meeting, team bonding activities, or uniform fittings.
- The club may advertise its program through the media (newspapers, web site, etc.) and distribute information to scholastic coaches.
- The club may also respond to any request for information about its program.
- Clubs offering clinics and open gyms are cautioned to act in accordance with PIAA rules for participation. The Keystone Region does not sanction or approve these activities as part of the tryout process.

OFF-SEASON: Defined as the time after the conclusion of USAV National Championships or after the completion of the juniors' season for the athletes with their current club to when they accepted an offer with a club for the next season.

- Clubs or their registered representatives (coaches and other personnel) may initiate contact with any Parents/Guardians for the purpose of recruiting them to their program.
- Clubs or their registered representatives (coaches and other personnel) may NOT initiate contact with any Players.
- Parents/Guardians may contact any club they wish at any time.
- Club representatives that switch Clubs may NOT contact players or families from their previous Club.
- The club may advertise its program through the media (newspapers, web site, etc.)
- Clubs offering clinics and open gyms are cautioned to act in accordance with PIAA rules for participation. The Keystone Region does not sanction or approve these activities as part of the tryout process.

UNWANTED CONTACT

- If a club is told "stop" by a player or their family, the club must cease contact immediately.
- Any player/family receiving unwelcome contact from a club should contact the Keystone Region immediately for assistance.
- Any club found to be contacting players or their family after the "stop" request could face sanctions from the Region, including director or club probation or suspension.

PROFESSIONAL INTEGRITY

- Clubs and their representatives should act professionally in all contact with a player or their family. This includes refraining from speaking negatively of another club or their representatives.
- Clubs and their representatives should be respectful in all conduct.
- High school coaches, administrators or teachers (that are KRVA members) may not pressure athletes into playing for a specific Club.

PLEASE SEE THE JUNIOR OPERATING CODE FOR DETAILED VERSION OF THE KRVA TRYOUT & RECRUITING POLICY