

EVENT CATEGORIES

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

The National Championships are hosted by the AAU National Volleyball Committee as defined in the AAU Handbook. The National Championships are open to any team meeting the requirements. Teams do not need to qualify prior to participating in the National Championships.

NATIONAL INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENTS / NATIONAL COMMITTEE EVENTS

National Invitational Tournaments are awarded by the AAU National Volleyball Committee. Special entry requirements and rules may be set by the National Committee. National Invitational Tournaments are open to teams nationwide.

SUPER REGIONAL TOURNAMENTS

Super Regional Tournaments are awarded by the AAU National Volleyball Committee to encourage tournament champions to compete in the AAU National Volleyball Championships, the West Coast Championships, or the Volleyball Festival as well as to grow the volleyball membership in that area. The tournament is licensed as a Super Regional and is open to teams nationwide and not limited to teams within a District or Region. Super Regional Tournaments are intended to be larger in size and follow the playing rules of the AAU National Championships. Rules of the National Championships are followed. The winning team in each age division with 12 or more teams will receive a free entry fee to the AAU National Championships, the West Coast Championships, or the Volleyball Festival. In divisions with less than 12 teams, the entry fee will be adjusted on a percentage basis depending on the number of teams that participated in that division.

GRAND PRIX TOURNAMENTS

Grand Prix Tournaments are awarded by the AAU National Volleyball Committee to encourage tournament champions to compete in the AAU National Volleyball Championships, the West Coast Championships, or the Volleyball Festival as well as to grow the volleyball membership in that area. The tournament is licensed as a Grand Prix and it is intended for teams within a particular District or adjoining District to form a regional event. Rules of the National Championships are followed, unless approved by the AAU National Volleyball Executive Committee. The winning team in each age division with 12 or more teams will receive a free entry fee to the AAU National Championships, the West Coast Championships, or the Volleyball Festival. In divisions with less than 12 teams, the entry fee will be adjusted on a percentage basis depending on the number of teams that participated in that division.

DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIPS

The District Sport Committee may host a District Championships. District Championship participation shall be open to any member club within the District who fulfills the entry requirements. If a District does not conduct a Championship, a team may compete in a bordering District's Championships event. Districts located within the same state may, by mutual consent, conduct an AAU Championship open to competitors from all such Districts.

INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENTS AND LEAGUES

Invitational tournaments and leagues may be hosted within a District to enhance the schedule of the existing District, Grand Prix or Super Regional events in that area. Participation can be limited to the District or can expand to include multiple Districts as approved.