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Orange County Convention Center

Orlando, FL

PRE-EVENT MANUAL











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IMPORTANT NOTICE:

Information in this packet is subject to change. While we are aiming to hold this event as planned, please be advised that information including but not limited to format, waves, schedules, venues, and competition dates may need to be altered or adjusted in order to preserve the safety of all of our participants, coaches, spectators, officials, vendors, and staff. All registered teams will be notified of any relevant changes immediately, should they need to be made.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION & DEADLINES

ENTER EARLY AND SAVE!

The entry fee is \$895 per team for entries received by 11:59 pm EST on March 1, 2023. For entries received between March 2, 2023 and May 10, 2023 at 11:59 pm EST, the entry fee is \$995 per team.

All teams will be accepted into the Championships on a first-come, first-served basis according to date of receipt, until divisions are full. It is possible for divisions to fill prior to the deadline, so get your entry in early! If all of your desired divisions are full, you will be placed on a waitlist. Entry off the waitlist is NOT guaranteed.

The following items are due on the deadline date. Those items to be submitted online must be completed by 11:59 pm EST on the deadline date. Those items to be mailed must be received by the deadline date.

March 1, 2023

(1) Early Entry Discount of \$895 per BOYS team
Must be completed online or received in the mail by 11:59pm EST on March 1, 2023

YOU WILL NEED YOUR NON-ATHLETE MEMBERSHIP AND CLUB MEMBERSHIP BEFORE REGISTERING FOR THE EVENT. MEMBERSHIP IS NO LONGER INSTANT. PLAN AHEAD AND REGISTER FOR MEMBERSHIP EARLY!

May 10, 2023

(1) Entry Fee of \$995 per BOYS team Must be completed online or received

in the mail by 11:59pm EST on May 9, 2023

(2) Team Roster
 (3) Seeding Information
 (4) Tournament Results
 Must be completed online on AES
 Must be completed online on AES

June 1, 2023

(1) Hotel and Onsite Contact Information Must be completed online.

(2) Last Day for Online Roster Changes Must be completed online. Any changes after this date must

be made at Team Check-In.

ENTRY FEE AND ENTRY DEADLINE

Entry fees can be paid online with a credit or debit card (Visa, MasterCard, Discover) or by mail. For entries received by mail, the date of receipt will be used to determine entry, not the postmark date. A cashiers' check or money order payable to AAU will be accepted through the mail. No personal checks will be accepted. You must sign your team up online prior to mailing a check. A copy of the online registration must accompany the check or money order. See the Team Cancellation section for the refund policy.

If your team has won an approved AAU Super Regional, AAU Grand Prix or designated event that entitles your team to a reduced or free entry to Nationals, please contact <u>volleyball@aausports.org</u>. All teams must be registered online and paid by the entry deadline. If you win an AAU Super Regional or Grand Prix after you have paid the entry fee, it will be refunded if you have submitted the request via email by **June 24**th. All refund requests must be emailed to <u>volleyball@aausports.org</u> no later than June 24th, 2023. Refunds will be sent out at the completion of the event.

TEAM CANCELLATION

Withdrawals made in writing by March 1, 2023 will be refunded the entry fee. Withdrawals made in writing between March 2, 2023 and May 9th, 2023 will receive a 50% refund. Any team withdrawing after May 9th, 2023 will forfeit its entire entry fee. Paid entry fees are not transferable to another team within or outside of your club. Any team not attending and failing to withdraw with the

AAU National Office prior to the Championships may be subject to penalties for future participation in AAU competition. Withdrawal requests must be made in writing to volleyball@aausports.org. Processing fee is non-refundable. Convenience fee will not be returned.

EVENT SCHEDULE

Competition will be held at the Orange County Convention Center. Additional sites may be added if needed. Visit www.aauvolleyball.org for directions and facility information.

Teams may be charged a late check-in fee of \$100 if they are not checked in the day prior to their first day of competition, even if they play in the afternoon.

There will be no coaches meeting held onsite; however, coaches must watch the online Coaches Meeting Video prior to competition. Tournament Staff will be available for questions at the Championship Desks at the Orange County Convention Center.

Competition format and schedule are subject to change.

Divisions: 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18

Friday June 30 th	Team Check-In (Orange County Convention Center, South Concourse)	10AM-6PM
Saturday July 1st	Competition – Pool Play	AM or PM wave
Sunday July 2 nd	Competition – Pool Play	AM or PM wave
Monday July 3 rd	Competition – Pool Play	AM or PM wave
Tuesday July 4 th	Competition – Brackets & Finals –**Matches can start as late as 8 PM	Single Elimination

Competition will be held the Orange County Convention Center.

TEAM CHECK-IN

A team representative <u>must</u> check-in their team during the hours listed below. <u>Teams may check-in during registration hours on an earlier day, but must be checked in by the close of registration on the day prior to their competition. <u>Teams may be charged a late check-in fee of \$100 if they are not checked in the day prior to their first day of competition, even if they play in the afternoon.</u></u>

Please make your travel arrangements to ensure that a team representative can attend the check-in.

12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18	June 30 th	10AM-7PM	Orange County Convention Center South 230
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Rule and Uniform Questions: There will not be a coaches meeting this year. Coaches are required to watch the Coaches Video posted online prior to the start of play. Tournament Officials will be available at the Championship Desks during competition hours at the Orange County Convention Center.

Daily parking fees will be charged at the Orange County Convention Center. A drop-off zone is available at the front of the Convention Center. Please note, during competition days, traffic can be heavy during the start of the morning and afternoon pool play.

Athletes are not required to attend check-in. It is the responsibility of the coach or club director to ensure team rosters are correct and to distribute credentials/wristbands to coaches and athletes prior to admittance to the venues. All credentials are non-transferable and may be confiscated if misused.

Team Check-In Checklist:

At Team Check-In, the team representative will be responsible for the following items.

- Verify your team's travel information, including hotel and emergency contact information.
- Present proof of age for each athlete such as copies of birth certificates, driver's licenses or passports. For additional information, please refer to the Birth Records and Proof of Age section.
- Verify the Team Roster and complete any missing information, including uniform numbers. <u>Uniform numbers must be</u> correctly submitted on the roster. <u>Each player is required to wear the same jersey number throughout the entire event, including the Libero(s)</u>. Please refer to the "Rules of the Championships" section for complete uniform requirements.
- Verify all the Coaches and Assistants are listed correctly on the roster.
- Verify that the coaches understand the rules of the event and have watched the Coaches Meeting video.
- Sign off on the final roster.
- Sign off on the Zero Tolerance Policy

ROSTER CHANGES: Once the roster is verified and signed off by the representative at Team Check-In, the roster becomes final and will be in effect throughout the event. Any adjustments to the roster (including uniform number changes) after it has been signed off on must be made at the Championship Desk and will include a \$25 fee per change. **NO ATHLETES MAY BE ADDED TO THE TEAM ROSTER AFTER THE TEAM'S FIRST MATCH BEGINS.**

At Team Check-In, the team representative will receive the following:

Athlete and Coach.

It is the team representative's responsibility to distribute these to the correct rostered athletes and non-athletes prior to admittance into the venues. Each athlete and coach will receive a credential and must have this credential to gain admittance to the Orange County Convention Center. Coaches will also receive a wristband. Wristbands allow access to the team bench and MUST BE WORN ON WRIST at all times for the duration of the event. Coaches must have their credential to gain admittance to venue. Wristbands without credentials will not be valid at venues. All credentials are non-transferable and may be confiscated if misused.

 Complimentary Athlete and Coach National Championship T-Shirts for athletes and coaches (be sure to submit sizes when completing the roster online).

GENERAL EVENT INFORMATION

CHAMPIONSHIPS VENUES

Competition will take at the Orange County Convention Center (over 150 courts). For specific directions, parking and traffic information, please visit www.aauvolleyball.org. Additional facilities may be added as needed.

At the Orange County Convention Center, a parking fee will be charged daily. **Be sure to save your receipt**. All fees and policies are subject to change.

PARKING & TRAFFIC ADVISORY: Stay tuned to www.aauvolleyball.org for parking and traffic information. Large crowds are expected at the Orange County Convention Center, especially in the mornings. Detailed parking maps, shuttle info and driving directions will be available online.

COMPETITION FORMAT

The Championships will be conducted in a format that will determine National Champions in each age division, as well as providing the maximum amount of playing time for each team. Pool play preliminary rounds will determine placement and seeding of each team in the bracket rounds. All teams will play four days of competition.

TEAM ELIGIBILITY

AAU MEMBERSHIP

All athletes and non-athletes (staff personnel, coaches) must be current AAU members. Regular youth athlete membership is \$14 and regular non-athlete membership is \$16. All teams must also be part of a registered AAU Club. AAU Club Membership is available in 3 levels ranging from \$30, \$60 and \$300. Please visit the web site at www.aauvolleyball.org for descriptions of each category. There can be multiple teams under one club membership. To become an AAU member, register on-line at www.aauvolleyball.org.

You can no longer register for non-athlete (coach) membership onsite. Background screens are conducted for all non-athletes. Membership is no longer instant. BE PREPARED and register your coaches early! You can only add a coach onsite with a valid AAU membership number. Applied status or pending memberships are not acceptable.

TEAM ELIGIBILITY

This is an OPEN Boys' National Championship. Any team meeting the requirements is eligible to enter. No qualifying required. All athletes, coaches and clubs must be current members of the AAU. This event is for male players only.

Teams may register for only one division in the Championships. Athletes may only be on one team roster in the Championships. Athletes may not play on two different teams. Coaches and other bench personnel may be on multiple rosters.

International teams are not eligible for the National Championships unless they participate in a regular season event.

Boys eligibility has been revised for 2023 and is outlined below:

- Youth members may, with the approval of the National Sport Committee, register in the District of their bona fide residency or the District that their club/team is registered except as follows:
- A youth member who resides in the county of one District that adjoins a county of another District and who attends a school located in the adjoining district will have the option of registering in either District.
- A youth member subject to a written joint legal custody arrangement whose custodians reside in different Districts shall have the option of registering in either District.
- A bona fide student at an educational institution may be considered a resident of the District in which the institution is located.
- The National Board of Review shall determine issues of residency.

Adult members are not bound by residence requirements. For a list of AAU Districts, please visit www.aauvolleyball.org

Teams submitting false AAU registration information may be dropped from the event and forfeit the registration and entry fees, or other actions may be taken as approved by the Championship Committee.

LEVELS OF PLAY FOR BOYS' DIVISIONS (OPEN, PREMIER, CLUB)

Ages 12 and 13 will have two (2) divisions – Open, Club. Ages 14, 15, 16, 17 & 18 will have three (3) divisions – Open, Premier, Club. The tournament committee reserves the right to make changes at their discretion. To change a division after a team has registered and prior to the entry deadline, contact volleyball@aausports.org. Changes may not be made after the deadline and are not guaranteed.

Open: This division is for elite teams and the most competitive and highest level of competition. Only the highest level

of teams should enter this division.

Premier: This division is the middle level of competition.

Club: This division is a lower level of competition.

There may be limits on the number of teams for all divisions. Teams registering after the division is closed will be placed on a waiting list. It is possible for a division to close prior to the entry deadline. REGISTER EARLY!

BOYS' AGE DIVISIONS

The National Championship offers divisions in the age groups listed below. All athletes must be born within the following age determination dates and meet all the requirements below. **NO AGE WAIVERS WILL BE ACCEPTED**.

10 & Under, Must be born on or after July 1, 2012Cannot turn 11 before July 1, 2023

- 11 & Under, Must be born on or after July 1, 2011Cannot turn 12 before July 1, 2023
- 12 & Under, Must be born on or after July 1, 2010 OR born on or after July 1, 2009 AND who shall neither have completed nor are in a grade higher than the sixth (6th) grade during the current academic year.
- 13 & Under, Must be born on or after July 1, 2009 OR born on or after July 1, 2008 AND who shall neither have completed nor are in a grade higher than the seventh (7th) grade during the current academic year.
- 14 & Under, Must be born on or after July 1, 2008 OR born on or after July 1, 2007 AND who shall neither have completed nor are in a grade higher than the eighth (8th) grade during the current academic year.
- 15 & Under, Must be born on or after July 1, 2007Cannot turn 16 before July 1, 2023
- 16 & Under, Must be born on or after July 1, 2006Cannot turn 17 before July 1, 2023
- 17 & Under, Must be born on or after July 1, 2005Cannot turn 18 before July 1, 2023
- 18 & Under, Must be born on or after July 1, 2004 OR born on or after July 1, 2003 AND be a high school student (12th grade or below) during some part of the current academic year.

Please see attached link for AAU BOYS AGE Division Chart - Age Chart

BIRTH RECORDS AND PROOF OF AGE

<u>Proof of age is required.</u> Birth certificates cannot be uploaded in the online system. <u>Proof of age must be present and held by the team's Head Coach to be available before and/or anytime during the event upon request of the event staff. The following are acceptable forms of proof of age (HOSPITAL RECORDS ARE NOT ACCEPTED!).</u>

- a) A copy of a valid driver's license, learner's permit, state photo identity card or government issued passport.
- b) A copy of birth record from the STATE, COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS from the place of birth.
- c) If either of the above is not available, the following
 - A <u>copy</u> of the delayed registration of birth if the athlete's birth was not recorded on her day of birth, issued by the same governing bodies.
 - Consular Service form FS 240, "Report on Birth" Issued by the US Department of State.
 - Immigration and naturalization form I-151 and I 25 and form No 43 R311 7 issued by U.S. Department of Justice.

Failure to provide this information may cause an athlete or team to be ruled ineligible, in which entry fees and any Championship play may be forfeited.

TEAM ROSTERS

Team rosters must be completed in your AES account using the account that pays the entry fee. Rosters in other accounts will not be accepted. Online roster changes can be made until June 26.

Athletes:

- Team rosters may include up to fifteen (15) athletes.
- Athletes may only be on one team roster in the Championships.
- Uniform numbers are required to be on the roster.
- Each player is required to wear the same jersey number throughout the event with limited exceptions as required by emergency or blood rule applications. This applies to all players in the Libero position. If players share the Libero position from match to match, a player shall wear the same jersey number whenever they play, whether they are or are not, assigned to the Libero position

Bench Personnel:

- Team rosters may include up to five (5) adult bench personnel.
- Bench personnel can consist of the following: Head Coach, Assistant Coaches or Club Director. Additional staff such as team trainer can be listed as assistant coaches.
- At a minimum, each team must have a Head Coach designated.
- All bench personnel must be AAU members in the non-athlete category.
- Only those five (5) individuals listed on the roster as bench personnel will be permitted to sit on the bench. All bench personnel must wear their wristbands at all times.
- Bench personnel can be listed on multiple rosters, but will only receive one credential.

Team rosters (including uniform numbers) must be submitted ONLINE by June 1. If changes need to be made please email volleyball@aausports.org. After June 26, any changes must be made onsite at Team Check-In. Once the roster is verified by the representative at the onsite Team Check-In, the roster will be in effect throughout the event. Any adjustments to the roster (including uniform number changes) after it has been verified, must include a \$25 fee per change. NO ATHLETES MAY BE ADDED TO THE TEAM ROSTER AFTER THE TEAM'S FIRST MATCH BEGINS. Please refer to the Team Check-In section regarding additional information.

Rosters for College Recruiters: The rosters submitted for ages 14 to 18 as of June 20 will be provided to college recruiters. Please be sure to have your rosters updated with uniform numbers, athlete names, and recruiting information by this date. Changes after this date are not guaranteed to be provided to all the college recruiters. Do not miss this opportunity to fully expose your athletes' athletic abilities to the college coaches in attendance.

COACHES: BE PREPARED! You can no longer register for non-athlete (coach and club director) membership onsite due to the background screening. Membership is no longer instant for non-athletes and can take up to 10 days or more to be approved. To add a non-athlete onsite, you must have a copy of the approved membership card.

COACHES' MEETING VIDEO

A Coaches Meeting video will be available online prior to the Championships. Rules, guidelines, and other important information will be reviewed. All coaches are expected to watch the video prior to the start of the event. Attention Club Directors: Please be sure that all of your coaches watch this video and understand the rules. They are responsible to know the information that is reviewed in the video. See Video Link Here

<u>There will not be any scheduled coaches meetings.</u> Tournament Officials will be available during the tournament at the Championship Desks at the Orange County Convention Center. Please watch the coaches meeting video online once it's available. **This video is typically available online by June 1**st.

SEEDING INFORMATION AND TOURNAMENT RESULTS (Due May 10)

Seeding for the National Championships is determined by the seeding committee. The committee considers many factors when seeding teams including, but not limited to the following:

- 1. Team's results throughout the year as submitted in AES
- 2. Team's results against other teams in the field as submitted in AES
- 3. AES national ranking engine
- 4. Team's final standing at previous year's National Championships
- 5. Seeding information submitted to AAU

Each team is REQUIRED to submit seeding information and tournament results from the current season by June 1.

The written information you provide about your team as well as your competitive opponents, will allow the seeding committee to make a more accurate seeding structure. Failure to provide complete and thorough information will jeopardize your team's chance of being seeded correctly.

All teams must submit information. If your team has not competed together prior to the Championships, you must still submit information about your team. This is required by June 1.

- **STEP 1:** Each team must submit results into AES. Information includes overall team record, AES/USAV team code, and additional questions about your team.
- STEP 2: Tournament results from throughout your season are required. Results in the AES system will be used if you add your AES (or USAV) Team Code on Part 1. It is strongly recommended that you provide results through AES as information from the AES ranking engine will also be used. Please be sure your results are updated and accurate. You may set up an AES account at no charge. For more information, please refer to the Seeding/Results section in the online registration system. You may also submit information on the AAU Results Form through the AAU online registration system; however, results that are submitted separate from AES are not used in the AES ranking engine.

RULES OF THE CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Championships will be conducted under the AAU Code, AAU Volleyball Handbook and the current playing rules of USA Volleyball, as modified by the AAU National Volleyball Committee. <u>Additional information may be made</u> available or revised online or at Team Check-In.

Key Rules of Play:

- AAU membership guidelines will be followed.
- No age waivers will be allowed. It is the responsibility of the coach to enter the team in the correct age category. Failure to do so could result in disqualification from the event. Please refer the Age Division section for more information.
- Rally scoring will be used. Each non-deciding set will be won by the team that first scores 25 points with a minimum two-point advantage (no scoring cap). If there is a deciding set, it will be won by the team that first scores 15 points with a minimum two-point advantage (no scoring cap).
- 12 substitutions and a Libero player(s). Substitutions are only recognized when the sub enters the zone. There is no longer a request from the coach or captain.

Libero Player(s):

- Each team may designate up to two Liberos. Libero(s) must be identified prior to each set.
- Only one Libero may be on the court at a time.
- The Libero player(s) may serve in one rotation in a set.
- The libero CAN be team captain, game captain or both.



- For uniform requirements, please see below.
- For an explanation of the Libero players, please refer to the 2021-2023 USA Volleyball Domestic Competition Regulations available at www.usavolleyball.org.

Uniform Requirements:

- **Each player is required to wear the same jersey number throughout the event** with limited exceptions as required by emergency or blood rule applications. This applies to all players in the Libero position. If players share the Libero position from match to match, a player shall wear the same jersey number whenever they play, whether they are or they are not, assigned to the Libero position.
- Identical uniforms are required, with the following exceptions:
 - The Libero must wear a uniform jersey that is immediately recognized from all angles as being in clear contrast to and distinct from the other members of the team. The Libero jersey must contrast in color from the predominant color(s) of the other members of the team. Predominant color(s) is the color(s) appearing on approximately half of the uniform. Color combinations including but not limited to purple/black, dark green/black, navy/black, navy/maroon, white/light yellow are not distinctive enough to comply with the rules.
 - Different sleeve lengths are permitted.
 - If undergarments are worn in such a manner that they are exposed, they will be considered a part of the uniform, in which they must be similar and the same color for any team member (except Libero) who wears the undergarment. Socks and shoes are not considered part of the uniform.
 - Manufacturer's logo or trademark can vary if it does not exceed 2 ¼ inches.

Uniform Numbers:

- Jerseys must be numbered in a permanent manner from 1 and 99 and duplicate numbers are not allowed.
- Uniform numbers must be clearly visible and <u>centered</u> on the chest and back.
- The numbers must be minimum height of 4" on the chest and 6" on the back (recommended to be 6" on chest and 8" on the back). The stripe forming the numbers shall have a minimum width of 34".
- Each jersey must use the same color and number height for all players except the Libero. The color and brightness of the numbers must contrast with the color and brightness of the jerseys. Color combinations such as purple/black, dark green/black, navy/black or navy/maroon are not distinctive enough to comply with the rules.
- For any questions regarding your team's uniform, contact <u>suemvb@cox.net.</u>

Centerline and Net Touch Rules:

- Encroachment into the opponent's court with any part(s) of the body is permitted, provided some part of the body remains either in contact with or directly above the centerline, and there is no interference with opponents. Completely crossing the centerline with the foot, feet, or hands, or encroachment with other body parts must not present a safety hazard to opponents.
- Contact with the net by a player between the antennae, during the action of playing the ball, is a fault. The action of playing the ball includes (among others) take-off, hit (or attempt) and landing.
- Players may touch the post, ropes or any other object outside the antenna, including the net itself, provided that it does not interfere with play.
- A player interferes with play by (amongst others) touching the net between the antennae or the antenna itself during action of playing the ball, using the net between the antennae as a support or stabilizing aid, creating an unfair advantage over the opponent by touching the net, making actions which hinder an opponent's legitimate attempt to play the ball, or catching/holding onto the net. Players close to the ball as it is played, or who are trying to play it, are considered in the action of playing the ball, even if no contact is made with the ball. However, touching the net outside the antenna is not to be considered a fault.
- For complete rules, please refer to the 2021-2023 USA Volleyball Domestic Competition Regulations available at www.usavolleyball.org.

Team Warm-Ups:

- Coaches and athletes are responsible for proper warm-ups.
- There will be no shared hitting during warm-ups.
- Each team will have warm-up time of 2 minutes of shared ball handling, 4 minutes of solo court time for the serving team and 4 minutes of solo court time for the receiving team (2-4-4).
- When one team has exclusive use of the court, the other team must be either at its team bench or out of the playing area. Warming up with balls at the team bench or in the spectator walkways is not permitted. Ball handling is only allowed on the competition court during the appropriate warm-up time.

Balls:

- Game balls will be provided. Teams are responsible to provide their own balls for warm-ups.
 - The 2023 National Championships will have Molten as their game ball. Molten FLISTATEC will be the official game ball.

Net Height:

- Boys Ages 15-18 net height is 7'11 5/8"
- Boys Ages 13-14 net height is 7'4 1/8"
- Boys Age 12 net height is 7'0"

Additional Rules:

- Teams may register for only one division in the Championships.
- Athletes may only be on one team roster during the event. Athletes may not play on two teams. Coaches may be on multiple rosters.
- Rules regarding the sanctioning of disruptive behavior by coaches and/or players will be strictly enforced.
- No artificial noise makers will be allowed during play in any of the competition facilities.

All players must live within the AAU District of their team or in a bordering District (up to three athletes are allowed from a bordering district) and comply with the guidelines set forth in the AAU Code Book. Boys eligibility has been revised for 2023 and is outlined below. Youth members may, with the approval of the National Sport Committee

Boys eligibility has been revised for 2023 and is outlined below:

- O Youth members may, with the approval of the National Sport Committee, register in the District of their bona fide residency or the District that their club/team is registered except as follows:
- A youth member who resides in the county of one District that adjoins a county of another District and who attends a school located in the adjoining county will have the option of registering in either District.
- A youth member subject to a written joint legal custody arrangement whose custodians reside in different Districts shall have the option of registering in either District.
- A bona fide student at an educational institution may be considered a resident of the District in which the institution is located.
- The National Board of Review shall determine issues of residency.
- Teams will not switch sides between sets unless the Championship Staff deems it necessary due to a competitive advantage. A coin toss will occur at the start of any third set for serve/receive choice.

TEAM OFFICIATING DUTIES

Teams will be given working assignments within their pools. Each team *MUST* provide qualified persons as follows: one (1) scorekeeper, one (1) scoreboard operator, two (2) line judges and one (1) Libero tracker. These requirements are subject to change. A rostered coach must be present at the score table for the entire match when your team is scheduled to work. Scorekeepers must be competent or the team will be required to hire an official scorekeeper through the event staff. Competency will be determined by the Championship Committee. If the scorekeepers are removed, the team will be charged. Competency will be determined by the Championship Committee. To view the AAU Volleyball Scoring Clinic please visit www.aauvolleyball.org.

Officiating teams must report to the referees at the beginning of the warm-up time. Teams are considered late for their officiating assignment if all members of the officiating crew are not in attendance at the end of the warm-up period.

Failure to provide the officiating crew for your assigned match could result in the forfeit of the first game of your next match. For every minute the officiating team is late, one point will be given to the opponent in the next match, up to the 25-0 forfeit. The second offense will result in the loss of your next assigned match. It is the responsibility of the Head Coach to verify officiating duties at the Championships Desk.

To review and learn the scorekeeping procedures, please review the USAV Training Materials. Visit www.aauvolleyball.org or http://www.volleyballreftraining.com/training materials junior.php for information.

PRACTICE

Limited practice space is available on the day prior to the division starting play. Practice space will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis to teams only after the team has entered the event. Requests for practice time must be made in writing to volleyball@aausports.org. Teams will be notified after the entry deadline of practice times and locations. Space is limited, so not all requests are guaranteed to receive practice time. Teams must supply their own balls for practice. Please note, there may be admission fees for spectators at practice. Team must supply their own balls for practice.

COLLEGE RECRUITERS

Team rosters will be made available to college coaches for ages 14 to 18. The team rosters submitted online as of <u>June 20th</u> will be used for college recruiters. <u>It is very important that your team's roster is updated by this date. To update recruiting information, click on each athlete's name. Do not miss this opportunity to fully expose your athletes' athletic abilities to the college coaches in attendance.</u>

OFFICIALS

If you are interested in being an official for the 2023 AAU Boys' Junior National Volleyball Championships, please contact the Head of Officials, Sue Mailhot at suemvb@cox.net. You can also visit www.omnevb.net for more information. Officials must be AAU members.

AWARDS

Each of the participants of the top four (4) teams per age division in the Championship bracket will be awarded AAU National Championship medals and each team will receive a team trophy. All-American Awards, All-Star Awards, and Most Valuable All-American Awards will be distributed. For consolation brackets (i.e. Consolation, flight 1, flight 2, etc.), the first (1st) place team will receive a team award at the conclusion of that bracket's final match. Teams shall report to the designated awards area following their match.

FACILITY RULES

For updated information on facility rules and cooler policies, please refer to the Boys' Nationals web page located on the AAU Volleyball website at www.aauvolleyball.org.

PARKING

There will be a daily parking fee at the Orange County Convention Center. Information on pricing will be posted when it is available.

HOTEL & TRAVEL INFORMATION

The AAU makes every effort to provide the best quality experience for athletes, coaches and families that participate in AAU events. The AAU has a variety of accommodation options available.

DF Meetings & Events is the hotel provider endorsed by AAU for the 2023 event. DF Meetings & Events provides a wide variety of assistance tournament-wide, including room rate protection and protection from minimum guaranteed liability to clubs/teams. We encourage clubs, teams and individuals to reserve rooms through DF Meetings & Events via the Official AAU Website to ensure your hotel is working within the framework of AAU's best practices, including assistance with cancelation penalties in the event of last-minute illness or injury. If you are contacted by other companies offering hotel assistance, please be aware they are not endorsed by the AAU. Click here to book accommodations.

JERSEY TRADING AREA

Please use this area to exchange jerseys as a show of sportsmanship and to continue a great tradition. Set up and trade at your own risk. AAU is not liable for items left unattended. Location should be announced later. This will take place in North 220 A & B

MEDIA CREDENTIAL REQUEST

Please contact rachel@aausports.org to request media credentials.

For questions regarding the Entry Information, Criteria and the Online Event Registration Process, contact volleyball@aausports.org or call 407-934-7200.

AAU POLICY

The AAU cannot and does not guarantee the appearance and/or participation of specific participant(s) and/or teams (as applicable) in this event. The AAU has sanctioned (approved) this Event as an official AAU Event (competition), but the AAU is not and shall not be responsible for any participant's or spectator's expenses related to this Event (nor reimbursements for same) in case of dissatisfaction of any participant, friend, family, or spectator, this includes, but is not limited to all travel, hotel (lodging), food, entry fees and/or any other expenses related to the event.