CLUB TRYOUTS

Parent / Player Guidelines

What should a player and his parents expect from a club at tryouts?

You have the right to make an informed decision. Since your decision is binding for the full season, you should make your choice carefully.

You should be wary of any club that tries to convince you to join while denying you information.

We recommend that you receive the information in writing.

At the very least, you are entitled to the following information from the clubs:

- The opportunity to talk to parents, other players, and/or other programs.
- The opportunity to try out in a future season without discrimination.
- Knowledge about how many spots are available before a tryout begins.
- Clear disclosure of financial obligations.
- A statement of club philosophy.
- Have any questions answered.
- An assessment of your role on the team.
- Disclosure of other players who have accepted and/or been offered spots.
- Information on the coaching staff.
- Description of the teams, goals, practice schedule, and tournament schedule.
- Try out for more than one club.
- Time Commitment.
- Travel Commitment.
- Overnight Travel Policy

Make sure you are aware of all recruiting rules and regulations following your commitment to your club.

As always if you have any questions please feel free to contact the Northern California Region office at (415) 550-7582 or email us at <u>vball@ncva.com</u>.

Tryout Policy for the 2019-2020 Season

Policy

Each year the tryout policy is reviewed by the Board of Directors. They have reviewed the alternative solutions and suggestions given to the NCVA from club directors, coaches, and parents. The decision has been made to keep the current policy intact.

The approved tryout dates for the 2019-2020 season are:

- The first day of Tryouts: Saturday, August 3, 2019
- No club can sign a player on before 6:00 PM Monday, August 12, 2019
- No club/team can collect money before 6:00 PM Monday, August 12, 2019
- For club/teams holding tryouts between Saturday, August 3, 2019 and Sunday, August 11, 2019 the first date/time to sign a player will be no sooner than 6:00 PM on Monday, August 12, 2019.
- The 48-hour waiting period to sign a player still applies to tryouts held after August 11, 2019. Example: if your tryouts are held on August 17, 2019 your 48 hours would begin at 12:01 AM August 18, 2019 and end 12:01 AM on August 20, 2019.

For clubs/teams holding tryouts after August 11, 2019 they will need to uphold the 48 Hour window policy. A player may not sign a Letter of Commitment or pay a deposit to the club/team until 48 hours after the completion of their tryout.

Violations

The following sanctions apply directly to the person(s) violating the policy. The penalty for the first violation will be suspension from all NCVA/USA competition for a minimum of one (1) week up to a maximum of one (1) month, depending on the severity of the violation. Multiple offenses arising from the same incident (multiple players on the same team, e.g.) will incur separate penalties.

The penalty for the second violation will be suspension from all NCVA/USA competition for a minimum of one (1) month up to a maximum of one (1) year, depending on the severity of the violation. Multiple offenses arising from the same incident (multiple players on the same team, e.g.) will incur separate penalties.

All suspensions begin on the date of the first competition following the violation for the penalized person(s). All to begin with the first tournament of the season.

If any person fails to adhere to the terms of a sanction, the individual will be suspended from NCVA competition and National-Level events for one (1) calendar year and subject to a lifetime ban. Furthermore, the coaching staff of the team on which the person is registered will be suspended from NCVA competition and National-Level events for one (1) calendar year and subject to a lifetime ban. In the event the individual is the club director, all coaches in the club will be suspended from NCVA competition and National-Level events for one (1) calendar year and subject to a lifetime ban. In the event the individual is the club director, all coaches in the club will be suspended from NCVA competition and National-Level events for one (1) calendar year and subject to a lifetime ban.

Participating in a Beach Program

Players that plan to participate in both the indoor and outdoor seasons may do so without defining a club commitment for the outdoor season. There is not a transfer policy to participate in both seasons as indoor season commitments do not apply to the outdoor season.

Tryout Procedure

All tryout procedures and policies will need to be followed whether you are having a tryout or not. This entails waiting until after 6:00 PM, Monday, August 12, 2019 (or 48 hours after August 14, 2019) to sign players, collect forms and/or payments.

Teams holding a Tryout

We would like to make the tryout procedure as easy as possible. Please follow the instructions below and should you have any questions about the procedure, contact the NCVA Office.

You may start submitting tryout forms on MONDAY, JULY 08, 2019. Tryout information will be posted online once a week, on Tuesday. All adults must be a registered member and submit a background check within WebPoint to be approved to participate in tryouts.

Helpful Guide to an Easy Tryout Process

Before Tryouts

This process should begin at least <u>*Two*(2) weeks</u> prior to your tryout dates.

Step 1: Gather your information

- A. Decide on your tryout
 - Date(s)
 - Time(s)
 - Location(s)
- B. Submit your completed <u>Tryout Form</u> to the NCVA Office
- C. Submit your <u>Insurance Request Form</u> for all facilities (available September 1st)
- D. Submit your Club Code of Ethics
- E. Submit your <u>Club Contact Form</u>

Step 2: Tryout Staff Registration

We must receive, via email to <u>leslie@ncva.com</u>, a list of all adults associated with your tryouts. Any adult who helps in any capacity at the tryouts must be a member of the NCVA in good standing, pass a background screening, and be Impact <u>AND</u> SafeSport Certified. Otherwise, the NCVA insurance coverage becomes null and void! You will receive an email noting which adult will need to have a background check for the upcoming season. 2019-2020 Adult Membership:

- The following items must be completed within the WebPoint System:
 - o Membership \$70.00
 - o Background \$30.00
 - IMPACT FREE
 - SafeSport FREE

All memberships are non-refundable, non-transferable. Once payment has been accepted, no refunds are given.

Step 3: Tryout Passes / Website

Once the above items are complete, your Tryout information will be posted on the NCVA Website. Tryout information will be posted online once a week, on Tuesday.

Step 4: During Tryouts

Each Club Director or Registrar will need to keep a list of ALL participants at the tryout. This list will be submitted to NCVA. The information on the list must include all participants' first name, last name and membership number.

Step 5: Tryout Completion

After your tryouts, you must submit a complete list of attendees to NCVA. The list must follow these requirements:

- Must include all participants first name, last name and membership number
- Submit in Excel format with the following column headers: first name, last name and membership number
- Submit via email to leslie@ncva.com
- Submit within 72 hours following the tryout completion
- Failure to complete all requirements for the tryout process by the deadlines set will result in an advertising fee being charged to your club in the amount of \$500.00 if applicable.

** All steps included in the Tryout Procedure must be completed <u>before</u> your club tryouts will be sanctioned and insured by the NCVA.