2021 Iowa Region Championships
March 27-28
Sites: Drake University
Ignit Sports Complex
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WELCOME

Welcome to the 2021 Iowa Junior Regional Volleyball Championships. We are excited to be back in Des Moines for our weekend championship events. We hope you enjoy the tournament!

EVENT STAFF

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TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

Team Registration/Check-In

Check-in will be online using TM2Sign. All rosters are due on FRIDAY, MARCH 26, 10AM. If there are any changes after that deadline please email brett@iavbreg.org.

1. Coaches will be given two rosters at their first match of the day.
   o Verify that all players and coaches are listed and that the jersey numbers for those players who will be in attendance during the weekend are correct.
   o If there are any issues with the roster notify the official immediately and take to Championship Desk
   o Last minute additions will have membership verified before being allowed to compete.
   o Rosters must be verified on TM2Sign for online check-in.

For ALL Teams, each member on the roster will receive a complimentary souvenir. They will be distributed to coaches at your first match.

General Tournament Information

The tournament is divided into multiple rounds depending on the pool structure and division. Match start times may be accelerated only if both coaches, officiating teams, and officials agree. For the purpose of determining forfeits, if the court is on time then the scheduled match time will be the forfeit time; if the court is running late then the end of timed warmups will be the used as the forfeit time. All teams are responsible for when they will play or work their next match.

Doors open at 7:15am

Results and Schedule Information

Complete posting of the results and next round of play will be done on the Tm2Sign website at www.tm2sign.com. This is the official schedule. There will be no paper posting of pool results at any site. Check the internet for all results, you may use the Results Look Up Stations at the various facilities.
**Advancement Procedures**

The Tm2Sign system advances teams out of pool play on USAV Protocol.

**PROCEDURES FOR BREAKING TIES TO DETERMINE POOL FINISH**

If there is a tie in match record among 2 or more teams in the pool, tie(s) are resolved using the Tie Break Rules, even in 3 team pools where all 3 sets are required to be played.

**TIE BREAK RULES**

Ties in Matches are broken by the following steps:

**TWO TEAMS TIE IN MATCHES**

Always broken head to head. No exceptions.

**THREE-OR-MORE TEAMS TIE IN MATCHES**

1. Head to head results are used to determine pool finishes for teams that are tied in Match Record.
   1. a) A team that beats all the other teams with which it is tied in Match Record will finish ahead of the other teams in the pool.
   2. b) A team that has lost to all of the other teams with which it is tied in Match Record is placed behind the other teams in pool finish.
   3. c) If there are only two teams tied in matches after steps 1(a) and 1(b) have been applied, the head to head winner of those 2 teams earns the higher pool finish.
   4. d) If after applying steps 1(a), 1(b) & 1(c), teams remain tied, then the ranking of those remaining teams follows the procedure in step 2.
2. Set percentage is the 2nd level of breaking ties and is used to rank a pool in which teams remain tied after applying the rules in step 1.
   1. a) Teams with a higher set percentage finish ahead of teams with a lower set percentage.
   2. b) If only two teams are tied in both match percentage and set percentage, the team that won head to head receives the higher finish in the pool.
   3. c) If three teams (or more) are tied in match percentage and set percentage after applying steps 2(a) & 2(b), the tie breaking procedure is as followed in step 2[d].
   4. d) Pool finish among the teams tied in Match percentage and Set percentage is determined by Point percentage. If two teams are still tied in point percentage, the head to head winner finishes higher.
ALL TEAMS

Before leaving the site, be sure you check your position in the pool on Tm2Sign. Site Directors will NOT be held accountable for miscommunications or schedule interpretations. The official tournament posting on the internet /results stations are the only source that will be considered should a dispute arise. These results are updated after the scores have been recorded by the system.

Warm-Up Procedures

For all matches during the event, warm-up time will be 2-4-4. 2 minutes for shared ball handling, 4 minutes for the serving team to have the entire court, 4 minutes for the receiving team to have the entire court.

Protests of the rules of play:

- All rulings by the Protest 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.
- Only protests involving misinterpretation/misapplication of the playing rules, scoring, and incorrect sanction penalties will be accepted.
- Judgement calls are NOT subject to protest

Trainers

There will be trainers available but will not be at all sites. Trainers will be available at Drake, Ignit and MVP. They will attend to players free of charge. However, each player must provide their own supplies (tape, pre-wrap, etc.). Players are encouraged to talk with the trainers if they have a problem or question. All injuries should be reported to the trainer’s station or Site Director’s desk and incident reports filled out by the trainer and signed by the coach or trainer. Coaches should have their players’ Emergency Medical Release Forms.

Food & Drink in all Sites

NO food or drink allowed into the facilities. Please leave all coolers and food outside the facilities. We ask that coolers remain in your vehicle. Absolutely no food allowed on the Sport Court surfaces or court areas at any of the facilities. Teams which violate this rule may be removed from the event venue. Spectators which violate this rule may be asked to leave the facility.

We have great facilities. That said, we want to make sure these sites are available in the future. To ensure future use team areas and benches must be cleaned after each match. Please remind your players to clean up any water bottles that may be left behind.

Awards

Gold Division – 1st – 3rd Place
Silver and Bronze Bracket – Champions Only
**Officiating Assignments**

Teams are required to officiate as noted on TM2Sign. Teams who are officiating should be on court 10 minutes prior to match time. The tournament will attempt to provide both first and second referees for every match. In the event that a second referee is not assigned to a match, an eligible USAV ADULT member must act as the second referee.

Work Crews Will consist of five members. An eligible USAV ADULT member must be the R2 if one is not provided. Two members at the score table (one scorer and one libero tracker/visual scorer) and two line judges. The work crew must remain masked at all times. They must supply their own writing utensils.

In five team pools where the pool is playing on two courts the officiating team must supply enough workers for both courts. At a minimum the work crew must have four (4) line judges, two (2) scorers and two (2) Libero Trackers / Visual Scorer. Any adult working must be a USAV member, have passed the membership background screen, and be SafeSport Certified.

On Sunday, pay close attention to your work assignments. Since most tournament finishes are being played out either a losing team or winning team may have to officiate the preceding or next match on that court. **Check the schedule carefully to see if you are the assigned team to work before you play on Sunday.**

**Missed Officiating Duties**

A team’s failure to have a complete officiating crew, including an adult, for that team, available and on time for a match officiating assignment will result in the team losing 1 point per minute for up to 25 points, and will be awarded to the team’s next opponent, even if the team is to officiate misses the entire match. The clock begins to run at the completion of warmups. The maximum penalty is 25 points – meaning loss of set 1 – even if the team misses the entire officiating assignment. A team will forfeit its entire next match for failing, a second time, to have an officiating crew available for an officiating assignment.

This penalty does not apply to a team that misses a 3-way tiebreak because of leaving a site before the determination that a tiebreak is necessary, unless the team misses an officiating assignment for the match following the tiebreak, or a team leaves after playing the first tiebreak game but before officiating the second tiebreak game. Losing the opportunity to advance by not being present for the tiebreak is considered the penalty for the team.

**Bids to Junior Nationals**

The Iowa Region receives one (1) National Bid and (1) American Bid for the 13, 14 & 15 age divisions. The 12’s Division receives one (1) National Bid and (2) American Bids. The 11’s Division receives one (1) National Bid. First place will receive the National Bid. Bids can trickle down all the way to last place. To receive a trickle down bid a team must either deny the bid or have earned a higher bid at a National Qualifier. Teams that have received an Open bid prior to the Regional Championship will not be allowed to participate. Here is the order of Divisions at Nationals: Open, National, USA, American, Patriot (no bids awarded for this division)
COVID Protocols

Spectator Requirements
- Must have a wristband required for entry
- Spectators are limited to IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBERS IN THE SAME HOUSEHOLD
- Will wear masks at all times. Children TWO years and younger are not required to wear masks
- Must leave the facility once their team has finished for the day
- **Self-monitoring of Symptoms**: Spectators, coaches, and athletes are expected to monitor themselves for indications of a COVID-19 like illness, this includes a body temperature of 100.4 or above, coughing, sore throat, and congestion or runny nose among others. Anyone with COVID-19 symptoms will not be allowed to enter the facility.
- **Social Distancing Protocols**: Everyone must maintain a social distance of at least six feet from others wherever possible, even while wearing a mask or other face covering.

Athlete/Coach Requirements
- Use their own equipment
- Bring their own water bottles
- Only coaches, athletes, officials are allowed on the court
  - If your team is not part of the current match, then they must be in the team or spectator areas.
- No team handshakes
- It is the coach’s responsibility to monitor their players and should be properly masked
- Masks are required to worn by athletes while playing
- Work Crews are required to bring their own writing utensils
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Playing Protocols
- No pre- or post-match handshakes or interactions
- No switching sides of the net during play.
- Athletes, coaches and officials **WILL BE masked** at all times during play. On and Off the court. It is the coaches responsibility to monitor their own teams. Failure to comply can result in removal of individual or team from the match and/or event.
- Teams will supply their own warmup volleyballs for the event. The Region will supply game balls for each court.