



REGION REF BULLETIN

WWW.BADGERVOLLEYBALL.ORG | MEMBERSHIP@BADGERVOLLEYBALL.ORG

USA Volleyball-hosted events seeking officials

Registration for nationally owned events are open for officials to register with for the coming spring and summer.

This year, officials who work a minimum of three USA Volleyball-owned events will receive a \$500 bonus.

One of those events must be either GJNC 11-13s, GJNC 14-17s, or BJNC.



USA Volleyball

2023 enhancements:

* Match Pay: \$40 National/JN; \$36 Regional; \$34 Provisional

* Parking: Provided/reimbursed up to \$20 per day. This would cover overnight parking at one location only (hotel or convention center).

- * Food: Snacks/water
- * Food Voucher: \$20/day
- * VIK: You will receive a jacket and USAV Mizuno Certified Officials Polo
- * Housing: Double occupancy housing

Events

[Click here to find online events and to register in AES:](#) type the exact event name below to find the event in AES.

- * 2023 Sunshine Volleyball Classic Orlando, FL February 25-27 and March 3-5
- * 2023 Salt Lake City Showdown Salt Lake City, UT April 8-10 and April 14-16
- * 2023 USAV Girls 18s Junior National Championship Columbus, OH April 28-30

* 2023 USAV Open National Championship Dallas, TX May 26-31

* 2023 USAV Girls Junior National Championship (11-13s) Minneapolis, MN June 14-17

* 2023 USAV Girls Junior National Championship (14-17s) Chicago, IL June 28- July 6

* 2023 USAV Boys Junior National Championship Salt Lake City, UT June 29- July 6

A New Look for our Officials: Not only did we announce our new Officials patch in December, that you will be able to obtain when attending one of the events listed above. As a part of our Officials Enhancement at our Nationally Owned Events, we will be launching a new USAV Mizuno Certified Officials Polo that will be given out as part of the enhancements at these events.

NOTES FROM THE BADGER REGION OFFICE

Thank you!

Thank you to all of the officials who worked tirelessly during our opening weekend of the Badger Region Power League on January 7th and 8th. Many of our officials worked 10 or more matches both Saturday and Sunday. Special shout out to John Butschlick and Jeff Scott for helping to mentor some of the newer officials during power league in Appleton

Shoutouts!

Have a great crew that had great scorers, line judges, second referees and support for their first official? Let us know and we will highlight them in future newsletters (Ref Bulletin and Badger Beacon). Email them to brian@badgervolleyball.org or text them to Brian Sharkey at 414-313-9055.

Updated site

The USA Volleyball website has been updated for Officials and provides greater ease of use based on your certification. Please explore the site, Resources for Officials – USA Volleyball, it is a wonderful resource for you. It contains all previous letters sent to you and all information you need to know regarding officiating.

New position being hired for events

A new “position” is being developed for Badger Region-hosted events (Power League, Championships and Qualifier)

The Badger Region Officials Assigner will be assigning a handful of “bullpen” officials during the larger Badger Region hosted events.

The information listed below is intended to give officials who are assigned as a “bullpen” official an idea of the types of duties that they may encounter during a shift or a day. This list is not all-encompassing and may include “other duties as requested” during the tournament, so the ability to be flexible and willing to help is a necessity.

Some likely responsibilities will include, but won't be limited to:

- * Fill in on court to officiate if official is sick or behind schedule, which causes a shift of courts (This may be one to many matches during the bullpen assignment).
- * Fill in as the R2 for on court matches to assist the R1 official as needed
- * Run score sheets to and from court, particularly for courts behind schedule or officials with a long day.
- * Assist officials with online score entry if used.
- * Assist head official with protests (run through process ahead of time)

* Score monitor/float around facility and check on work teams

* Fill in for a work team (score, R2, line) if needed

* Organize / straighten up the referee room

* Help in pit with medals, questions, etc

* Possible mentor for newer officials (assigned by Sara Voigt)

* Hand out score sheets at championship table, as needed and for the first match of day.

To be successful as a bullpen official:

- * Must be comfortable officiating all skill and age levels, and boys and girls
- * Must have a high level of rule knowledge for questions and protests
- * Must be self motivated and flexible to work a variety of tasks
- * Must be a good mentor and bring a claiming helpful demeanor to assist officials in challenging, tiring situations
- * Must always be available and easy to find by the tournament director and assignor and not distracted.

Bullpen officials are paid the match fee based on the wave of court grid including built in break, etc. Example 6 match wave, official would get paid 4-5 matches





REGION REF BULLETIN

WWW.BADGERVOLLEYBALL.ORG | MEMBERSHIP@BADGERVOLLEYBALL.ORG

Officials can set up direct deposit for Region events

Did you know that if you work the Badger Region's marquee events that you can be paid with direct deposit through our accounting company?

Yes. You can.

Independent contractors who work the Badger Region Championships, Qualifier, Power League and Dale Rohde Memorial can set up a profile and account and get paid via direct deposit.

To set up an account through

Bill.com, [click here](#).

The system will ask you some questions so follow the prompts. You will also be asked to confirm your email address (and phone number if desired).

Once confirmed it will prompt you for more information. At the end you will be asked for your bank routing information for online bill pay

The monies worked while officiating, scoring or serving as

a lead official, score monitor, etc., can then be deposited electronically. A paper check would not be sent.

Through this system, deposits are made roughly three days after they are processed and approved.

Compensation at events

At the most recent Badger Region Board meeting, board members voted in favor of rais-

ing the ref pay at Region-hosted events (Badger Region Championships / Dale Rohde Memorial Boys Event, Badger Region Qualifier, Badger Region Power League) to the following pay scale:

- * Provisional- \$31
- * Regional- \$33
- * JN/National- \$36

Questions? Email sara@badgervolleyball.org.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Jan. 20: Badger Boys Series at the Milwaukee Sting Center

Feb. 11-12: Badger Region Power League Weekend No. 2

Feb. 25-26: Badger Region Qualifier

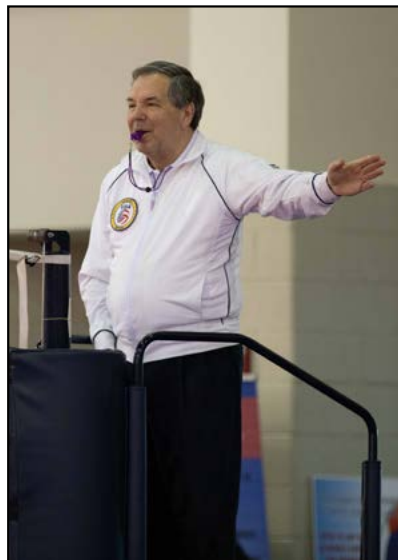
March 11-12: Badger Region Championships in downtown Milwaukee

March 17-18: Badger Region Championships in downtown Milwaukee

March 25-26: Badger Region Championships in downtown Milwaukee

April 1-2: Final weekend of the Badger Region Power League

July 29-30: Badger Region Beach Championships at Bradford Beach in Milwaukee



Official Bill Petersen is all smiles at the 2022 Badger Region Championships.

MORE FROM THE BADGER REGION OFFICE

Rules books

* For a link to the USA Volleyball Rulebooks and Interpretations, [click here](#).

Compensation

* At the most recent Badger Region Board meeting, board members voted in favor of raising the ref pay at Region-hosted events (Badger Region Championships / Dale Rohde Memorial Boys Event, Badger Region Qualifier, Badger Region Power League) to the following pay scale:

- * Provisional- \$31
- * Regional- \$33
- * JN/National- \$36

Questions? Email [sara@badgervol-](mailto:sara@badgervol-leyball.org)

[leyball.org](mailto:sara@badgervol-leyball.org).

Sanction reporting

Officials should use the Badger Region Card Reporting Form on the Badger Region website when issuing sanctions at Badger Region-sanctioned events. To report a violation, [click here](#).

New handbook

The Badger Region has created a handbook just for officials. This document outlines policies that officials must follow in order to ref and score in the Badger Region. It is a great reference for officials new and old. For details, [click here](#).

Donations sought for referee-starter kits

The Badger Region wants to thank the experienced officials who have donated to the ref-starter kits being put together for new officials in Wisconsin.

Your generosity is appreciated. That being said, the Region is continuing to collect gently used officiating items that can be used to build starter kits for new officials just starting off.

Some of the suggested things

we are collecting include:

- * Line judge flags
- * Referee carrying bags
- * Yellow/Red cards
- * Officials polos (maybe you have certain colors you don't like to wear or sizes that you never fit into in your closet)
- * Writing utensils and erasers
- * Correction tape
- * Coolers/lunch boxes
- * Ball pumps

- * Electronic whistles
- * Net-height chains

All new officials will receive a flipping coin, cooler and some other Badger Region swag. We just want to make it as easy on possible for new referees to get started.

If you want to donate to our ref-starter kits, you can drop off materials to the Badger Region Office (2831 N. Grandview Blvd., Suite 105, in Pewaukee).

WHY BADGER REGION?

A RUNDOWN OF BENEFITS FOR BADGER REGION PARTICIPANTS

ATHLETE PERKS

* Ability to participate in the Badger Region Championships, Badger Region Qualifier, Badger Region Power League, Badger Region Youth Fall Volleyball League, Badger Boys Series, Dale Rohde Memorial Tournament

* Ability to participate in youth clinics, beach events, grass tournaments, etc.



* Participate in USA Volleyball's National Qualifiers, Bid Tournaments and National Championships

* Represent Badger Region through the National Team Development Program

* Represent Badger Region at the USA All-Star Championships

* Eligible for Badger Region / Frisco Mo Scholarships

- * Communication via the Badger Beacon newsletter
- * Free NTDP Academy access for athlete training
- * Free memberships for athletes 8-and-under
- * Player/club matching assistance at the start of the season
- * Directory of summer volleyball camp opportunities
- * Badger Region / AVCA Recruiting Tips of the Week, webinars
- * Chance to be on the Badger Region / Frisco Mo Watchlists



CLUB PERKS

* Policies and procedures for all clubs to be consistent

* Guidelines and handbooks for running tournaments

* Mentoring, training for club directors

* 24/7 service and help before, during and after your season

* Templates for club, parent handbooks and tryouts/club acceptance forms

* Personalized feedback to uniform and jersey questions

* Partnerships with sponsors such as Molten, Sports Imports, Art of Coaching, AVCA and others

* Advocacy at the National level

ATHLETE-SAFETY PROTOCOLS

SAFESPORT TRAINING

The safety of its participants is of paramount importance to USA Volleyball. Badger Region and USA Volleyball have a ZERO TOLERANCE for abuse and misconduct. This includes not only on-court safety, but also off-court safety in any part of USA Volleyball's programs.



USA Volleyball is committed to creating safe and fun environments for youth. This includes, but is not limited to, providing training, educational materials and resources for our regions, clubs, coaches and parents. [\(Click for details\)](#)

BACKGROUND SCREENINGS

All adult staff members require a full background screening that includes the following:

- * Social Security Number validation;
- * Name and address history records;
- * Two independent Multi-Jurisdictional Criminal Database searches covering 50 states plus DC, Guam, and Puerto Rico;
- * Federal District Courts search for each name used and district where the individual currently lives or has lived during the past seven years, going back the length of time records are available and reportable;
- * County Criminal Records for each name used and county where the individual currently lives or has lived during the past seven years, going back the length of time records are available and reportable for each county searched;
- * National Sex Offender Registry database search of all available states, plus DC, Guam, and Puerto Rico;
- * Multiple National Watch Lists;
- * SafeSport Disciplinary Records;
- * Comprehensive International Records search for U.S. citizens who have lived outside of the United States for six consecutive months in any one country, during the past seven years;
- * Motor Vehicle Records of at least a 3-year history in the state of licensure; (if driving is required for position).

COACH PERKS

- * IMPACT certification
- * Coaches Coaching Coaches opportunities
- * High Performance coaching opportunities
- * Coaching vacancies list
- * Art of Coaching Volleyball membership (limited number available)
- * Badger Region / AVCA Coaching Tips of the Week
- * Eligible for Badger Region / AVCA awards

REFEREE PERKS

* Training opportunities exist in the classroom, scrimmages, Badger Region Youth Fall Volleyball League, Badger Boys Series etc.

* Mentoring and advancement opportunities throughout the year

* Dedicated full-time staff dedicated to assigning, training, recruiting and working with officials in the Badger Region office

* Communication via the Badger Region Ref Bulletin

* Once certified, officials can earn \$30 (or more per match)



* At Badger Region hosted events, rates are as follows:
* Provisional: \$31/match

* Regional: \$323/match

* Junior National: \$36/match

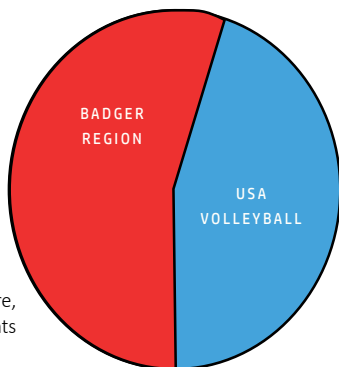
* National: \$36/match

MEMBERSHIP COSTS BREAKDOWN

\$30 of the full \$55 membership stays in the Badger Region to pay for coaching education, officials education, youth clinics, grants, scholarships, equipment, programs, services



(Sports Engine, rostering, eligibility), tournaments, clinics, High Performance, region infrastructure, staff and supplies for Region events and much more.



\$25 of the full \$55 membership goes to the USA Volleyball National office to pay for sport accident and liability insurance, training materials created for the purpose of national coaching/officiating, national database and membership services (Sports Engine) and National Office staff and office needs.

