



**TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR
COVID-19 UPDATES**

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IMPORTANT UPDATES!

USA Volleyball has created a dedicated Coronavirus page on the [USAVolleyball.org](https://www.teamusa.org/USA-Volleyball/Features/USA-Volleyball-Response-on-Coronavirus) website. All key updates will be posted there almost immediately after decisions are made. Feel free to check the website on a regular basis. You are also ALWAYS welcome to contact the NCR office!

<https://www.teamusa.org/USA-Volleyball/Features/USA-Volleyball-Response-on-Coronavirus>

YOUR USAV SANCTIONED EVENTS

- **Currently, USAV insurance coverage is not available to any tournaments/activities taking place through April 15, 2020.**
 - Please know that if you choose to conduct your event, you do not have insurance coverage through USAV.
 - We will pass along information for tournaments taking place AFTER April 15th as soon as we hear anything
- At this time, NCR must designate ALL USAV insured tournaments scheduled between now and April 15th as either “Cancelled” or “Postponed”. We cannot promote your tournament if it is not USAV insured. We will update both AES and www.ncrusav.org.
 - Please let NCR know by close of business on **Tuesday, March 24th** if your tournament is “Postponed” or “Cancelled” – if postponed, we do NOT need your new dates at this time (unless you already have it). **Should a tournament director NOT contact us by the above date, then the tournament will be marked as “Cancelled”**
- If you do plan to cancel, refunds will be expected. Please share your event cancellation policy with the teams registered for your event. In lieu of an event cancellation policy, the “best practice” in this situation is to refund the full registration if at all possible. If you must charge a small fee to cover any non-refundable expenses that you may have incurred, provide detail so teams know why there is a charge. Please be fair! (Note – NO FEES are required to be paid to NCR!)
- COMMUNICATION IS PARAMOUNT!
 - Please make sure to communicate to the teams who have registered for your event - even if you don’t know exactly what is going to happen in the future, everyone will appreciate information and updates
 - Please communicate with your club coaches, players and parents early and regularly on your action plan for the next few weeks and months
- Support – continue to reach out to the Region office. We are working closely with USA Volleyball, surrounding Regions and health organizations

SMALL BUSINESS LOANS ARE NOW AVAILABLE!

Small business owners in all U.S. states and territories are currently eligible to apply for a low-interest loan due to Coronavirus (COVID-19). Details about the SBA's Economic Injury Disaster Loan Program include:

- Loans of up to \$2M in assistance are available to help provide small businesses support due to the temporary loss of revenue.
- The loans may be used to pay fixed debts, payrolls, accounts payable and other bills that cannot be paid.
- The interest rate is 3.75% for small businesses and 2.75% for non-profits
- The maximum loan term is 30 years and terms are determined on a case by case basis.

The SBA is highly encouraging that the application be completed [online](#) — and not mailed in.

More Info: www.sba.gov/disaster-assistance/coronavirus-covid-19

NORTH COUNTRY REGION HOSTED EVENTS

- NCR hosted/run events are cancelled through at least early May – **this includes the NCR Metro Area Championships (April 18-19), NCR Area Championships (April 25-26) and NCR Adult Showcase (May 2).** Full refunds will be provided to all registered/paid teams.
- Future events including the NCR Beach National Qualifier (June 13) and NCR Beach Regional Qualifiers (June 6 and June 14) are still scheduled at this time.

CDC EVENT RECOMMENDATIONS

Click the below link for more information about when to cancel or postpone an event:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/large-events/>

GENERAL PRECAUTIONARY ACTIONS

- Limit your exposure to large crowds
- Wash hands often with soap and water – 20 seconds or more
- Use an alcohol based hand sanitizer if soap and water are not available
- Avoid touching eyes, noses, and mouth with unwashed hands
- Avoid contact with people who are sick
- **STAY HOME** if sick
- Cover your mouth with upper arm or a tissue when coughing or sneezing
- Clean and disinfect surfaces that have been frequently touched
- CDC does not recommend face masks for the general public