ODR Junior Officials' Training Program 2023 – 2024 (Version 1)

1. GENERAL INFORMATION:

A. The goal of the Old Dominion Region Junior Officials' Training Program is to provide general, basic officiating training to Junior players and coaches to prepare them to fill tournament work team assignments.

B. When a team is responsible for performing as the work team for a match at a region tournament, the team must provide an R1, an R2, a Scorer, two lines judges, and one or two assistant scorers (one to serve as the Libero Tracker and one to operate the visual scoring device OR one person capable of completing both responsibilities at the same time without delaying the match). Priority should be given to filling as many positions as possible with Junior players. If a team is unable to provide sufficient Junior players to fill all positions, adults may be used to fill the remaining positions providing the adults are USA Volleyball members; have received the required training for that position; have a current, completed background screen; and have current SafeSport certification. In all cases, an individual (Junior player or adult) serving in a work team position must be a current member of USA Volleyball (current membership registered in SportsEngine); must have completed the training requirements (a course) for the position they are filling; and must be credentialed in SportsEngine (SE) as trained to fill the position.

C. Requirements for the various work team positions for Junior players are contained in the courses identified in each junior individual's Content Library in the USA Volleyball Academy. Training to perform as R1, R2, Line Judge, Scorer, or Libero Tracker is contained in individual courses to give coaches as much flexibility as possible in making work team assignments. Completion of the courses is done on line through the USA Volleyball Academy (Academy), also called LITMOS. Junior players complete the appropriate courses in their Academy Content Library by completing the module for each course. Once the module for an individual course is completed, the Junior player will be credentialed to work in that work team position. An entry will automatically be made (may take a couple of days to be entered) in their SE account indicating that credential. The credential will be indicated on the team roster published from SE and on the individual's USAV Membership Card.

D. Adult coaches & club officials desiring to fill work team positions must complete the OD24_150 ODR Juniors Coach / Club Director Officiating Training Course in the Academy. This course contains the individual training modules for each of the work team positions in addition to other valuable information. Once an individual has completed the entire Course, a credential of Region Specific Junior Referee (RR) will automatically be awarded. The credential will appear on a team's roster and on the individual's membership card. A credential of RR qualifies the individual to fill any work team position for a Juniors' team.

E. The only way an individual may earn a credential is by selecting the appropriate course in their Content Library in the Academy. If an individual goes directly to their Content Library in the Academy and completes an individual module without selecting one of the ODR courses first, the individual will not earn the credential, will not be indicated as credentialed in SE, and is not eligible to perform work team assignments at tournaments.

2. JUNIOR OFFICIALS' TRAINING COURSES: Listed below are the five individual Junior training courses in the ODR. All courses become live in the Academy on September 15, 2023.

- **JUNIOR R1 COURSE:** OD24_011 USAV JR R1
- **JUNIOR R2 COURSE:** OD24_012 USAV JR R2
- **JUNIOR LINE JUDGE COURSE:** OD24_013 USAV JR Line Judge
- **JUNIOR SCORER COURSE:** OD24_014 USAV JR Scorer
- **JUNIOR LIBERO TRACKER COURSE:** OD24_015 USAV JR Assistant Scorer / Libero Tracker

3. PROCEDURES:

A. The first step is to join USA Volleyball through USA Volleyball's Membership Management System called SportsEngine (SE) https://memberships.sportsengine.com/org/old-dominion-region-volleyball .

B. All training and testing requirements are completed on line through the USA Volleyball Academy (Academy) accessed through SportsEngine.

C. After an individual completes their membership registration, they will automatically be given an account in the Academy and will receive an email with instructions on how to access their Academy account from SportsEngine.

D. Log into SportsEngine.

E. Click on Household in the Dashboard.

F. If there are multiple name tiles, click on "View Profile" on the tile of the individual wishing to go to the Academy.

G. Click on "View Details" near the bottom of the individual's Old Dominion Region Volleyball membership name tile that pops up.

H. Click on the blue USA VOLLEYBALL ACADEMY box near the top right of the page.

I. From the Dashboard in the Academy, click on Content Library.

J. A Junior player or coach or other adult must select the Course or Courses they need to complete in their Academy Content Library by clicking on each course individually. After selecting a Course, click the "Start This Course" button.

K. For Junior players, each Course has one module to complete. For adults, there are several modules to complete in their Course.

L. Once the module or modules for a course are completed, the individual will be able to print a certificate of completion. Credentials earned are listed in the Certificates link on the dashboard of each individual's Academy account. Additionally, they will be able to work at tournaments in the associated position for the completed course and will be indicated as credentialed for that position on SE team rosters and the individual's membership card.

M. The Academy will automatically communicate with SE and tell SE when an individual has completed a course. SE will enter the individual's credential in their SE record. Those credentials will be displayed on SE team rosters and the individual's membership card.

N. Junior players may hold any or all Junior Credentials at the same time (Junior R1, Junior R2, Junior Scorer, Junior Line Judge, and Junior Libero Controller). Adults will hold a credential of Region Specific Junior Referee (RR) which is valid for all Junior work team positions.

O. Junior Line Judge and Junior Libero Tracker credentials are valid for two seasons. All other credentials are valid for only one season.

P. Click on this link https://youtu.be/neq_f_XFKK0 for a visual presentation of how to access training in the Academy. The short presentation displays information for the 2020-2021 season, but the same information and instructions apply for the 2023-2024 season. Course designations start with OD24_ instead of OD21_ . Ignore the information regarding The Whole Shebang Course. We'll provide an updated link when the presentation has been updated.

4. CAUTIONS:

A. Training courses in the Academy can run on a PC, an iPad, other tablets, and smart phones.

B. We discourage the use of smart phones because of the small size of the images. Additionally, some images and functions may not work correctly on some tablets.

C. Members must ensure they allow every slide to finish completely before attempting to continue to the next slide.

D. The most reliable browser to use is Google Chrome and the least reliable is Internet Explorer.

E. Members may stop and restart a module as many times as necessary to complete the module.

F. Members should never walk away from the computer and leave it running a module. Best practice is to always log out of the system and close the window. It is also a best practice to always do a fresh login to SE instead of using favorites or a bookmarked page.

Good luck; enjoy the training Courses; and have a great season.

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