

This email is being sent to everyone who registered with the Great Plains Region as an Adult Affiliated with Jr Program who is willing to accept Region newsletters.

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This email is being sent to all current 2016-17 Great Plains club directors. We apologize if you received this twice. Please make sure all your coaches receive this.

Club Directors & Coaches,

We are a few weeks into the season and we wanted to send a few notes and reminders.

COACHING BADGES

The sending of coaching badges will be suspended for this season. For this season, you will not be required to wear your coaching badge while on the bench but this does not change any other coaching requirements or policies of the Great Plains Region. Anyone on the bench as a coach must be listed as a coach or assistant coach on the roster. A Team Rep is not allowed on the bench unless they meet all requirements of a coach. To be listed as a coach, you must meet the following USA Volleyball/Great Plains Region coaching requirements:

- 1) Be a registered USAV/Great Plains Region member
- 2) Cleared Background Screening (18 or older)
- 3) Signed Coach Code of Ethics (completed during registration process)
- 4) IMPACT certified
- 5) *SafeSport certified (if attending a National event in 2017)
- 6) *Completed the Coach Ref/Score clinic (online)

*This does not keep you from being added as a coach as of now.

Tournament Directors have the right to ask for ID if they need to verify you are the person on the roster.

Club Directors, please make sure your rosters are complete and accurate for each tournament. If you printed your roster earlier in the season (and made copies), you may want to check if anything has changed and/or they need to be reprinted. ANY adult on a junior roster can print their own roster from their own membership record. Contact the Region office if you are not sure how to do this.

SAFESPORT

Starting in the 2018 season, **ALL** coaches with USA Volleyball, must be SafeSport certified. This class is free and can be accessed from the Great Plains website at the bottom of the left homepage menu. Any coach attending a national event in 2017 must be SafeSport certified. We highly recommend all coaches take this course at their earliest convenience. Don't wait until next year when you can have it completed this season.

We hope everyone has a great season. Thank you for playing Great Plains Volleyball.

Bill Stanley
Great Plains Registrar