

## 1. BID TOURNAMENT and TEAMS PLAYING at NATIONALS

### a. 15-18 Bid Tournament

- i. The Great Plains Bid tournament (qualification for the region's allotted bids at the USA Volleyball National Championships) for the 15-18s divisions will be held on **Sunday, March 19**.
- ii. The deadline to enter this tournament is **Friday, March 3**.
- iii. All teams are eligible to register for the tournament. However, only the eight highest ranked teams in the Region that have registered for the Bid Tournament will be selected to play in the Great Plains Bid tournament.
- iv. The eight teams will be selected based on the region rankings on the Wednesday (**March 8**) following the Friday bid tournament deadline.
- v. Teams selected to play in the bid tournament must complete all of the JNC paperwork on-line with AES and must submit copies (along with your check made payable to USAV JNC for the entire entry fee) to the region office within one week after the team is notified. (March 15)
- vi. Entry fee for this tournament will be **\$220**.

### b. 12-14 Bids

- i. The Great Plains Bid tournament (qualification for the region's allotted bids at the USA Volleyball National Championships) for the 12-14s divisions will be held on **Saturday, March 25**.
- ii. The deadline to enter this tournament is **Friday, March 10**.
- iii. All teams are eligible to register for the tournament. However, only the eight highest ranked teams in the Region that have registered for the Bid Tournament will be selected to play in the Great Plains Bid tournament.
- iv. The eight teams will be selected based on the region rankings on the Wednesday (**March 15**) following the Friday bid tournament deadline.
- v. Teams selected to play in the bid tournament must complete all of the JNC paperwork on-line with AES and must submit copies (along with your check made payable to USAV JNC for the entire entry fee) to the region office within one week after the team is notified. (**March 22**)
- vi. Entry fee for this tournament is **\$220**.

c. The bid tournaments format is double elimination.

### d. **Teams that qualify for the USA Junior National Championships**

(whether through the region bid tournament or at a USAV National Qualifier) may receive some reimbursement from the region per the team participation policy. A specific pool of money has been budgeted. The exact amount each team will receive will be determined based on the total number of teams that qualify. Reimbursements will be sent at the conclusion of the National Championships.

- e. Teams that participate in the Great Plains bid tournament must be prepared to accept a bid if they should win or are next in line to receive a 'trickle down' bid. If a team does not accept the bid and does not play in the division in which it won the bid, each individual member of that team is subject to the same sanctions as per the USAV National Bid Qualifier Manual (regardless of the club/team affiliation for the next year).