

INFORMATION FOR RETURNING REFEREES AND SCORERS 2018-19

1. MEMBERSHIP AND REGISTRATION. Please register and pay your dues for the 2018 – 2019 season through Webpoint at <https://webpoint.usavolleyball.org/> if you haven't already. Also, please submit your request for background screen if yours has expired and isn't current. Background screening cost has increased to \$18.00. You will also need to ensure your SafeSport certification is current as indicated in paragraph 2 below. If you do not plan to return to officiate USA Volleyball this season, please let me know immediately.

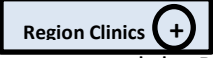






2. SAFE SPORT. All officials must complete Safe Sport Training in order to officiate. Please check your list of certifications on your Webpoint profile page to ensure your SafeSport certification is current. If it has expired (lapsed) or if you haven't completed this training for some reason, here are the instructions on how to register for and complete the training. I will not be able to assign you if you haven't completed this training.

1. Go to <https://webpoint.usavolleyball.org/>
2. Log in to your USAV account
3. In the navigation menu, click on USAV Clinics and select USAV Coaching Clinics
4. Select "Core Center for SafeSport Training"
5. Complete registration
6. To access coursework, click on the "Log into USAV Academy" button.

When finished, you will receive a completion certificate and USA Volleyball will enter a record of your successful completion in your Webpoint membership record (may take up to 48 hours). SafeSport Certification will be good for a two year period and will need to be renewed every two years.

3. WEBPOINT RECORDS CLEAN-UP. Some of you may have received emails from Webpoint in the last two months indicating registrations or "in process certifications" have been canceled for you. Don't worry about those emails which were generated as a result of my cleaning out some things from last season in Webpoint. The reason you may have received one of those emails could be because you registered for an incorrect clinic and then registered for the correct clinic; or you registered for a lower certification level clinic in order to complete one of the modules in that clinic which was not offered in your clinic; or you failed to finish one of the classes (modules) in the curriculum (possibly not watching the last slide in the clinic); or you didn't complete one of the other components in your certification; or some other reason I couldn't identify. In any event, I needed to clean out all that old information in order to enter the clinic information for this season. None of you lost any certifications you had finished as a result of that administrative clean-up process. All I would ask is that we can avoid this in the future if you ensure you register for the correct clinic for your certification level and you fully complete all modules in each curriculum you must complete as soon as you can so that I can make the necessary entries in Webpoint early on.

4. CLINICS FOR PROVISIONAL & REGIONAL REFEREES: Once you've registered for the current season (paragraph 1 above), you can start your clinic and testing work. Please note that clinics will go live at midnight on November 16, 2018. Provisional & Regional referees can find the appropriate clinic they need to complete in Webpoint. Please note that there are two different clinics for returning Provisional Referees and two different clinics for returning Regional Referees this year. There is a clinic for Provisional Referees who have been a Provisional Referee for three years or less and a clinic for Provisional Referees who have been a Provisional Referee for more than three years. The same differentiation holds for Regional Referees. If you are a Provisional Referee and were certified in or after the 2015-2016 season, then you need to register for and complete the curriculum for OD19-202 ODR Recertifying Provisional Referee (with < 3 years as Prov Ref) Clinic. If you are a Provisional Referee and were certified in or before the 2014-2015 season, then you need to register for and complete the curriculum for OD19-203 ODR Recertifying Provisional Referee (with > 3 years as Prov Ref) Clinic. If you are a Regional Referee and were certified in or after the 2015-2016 season, then you need to register for and complete the curriculum for OD19-204 ODR Recertifying Regional Referee (with < 3 years as Reg Ref) Clinic. If you are a Regional Referee and were certified in or before the 2014-2015 season, then you need to register for and complete the curriculum for OD19-205 ODR Recertifying Regional Referee (with > 3 years as Reg Ref) Clinic. If you have trouble identifying which clinic you should register for, please contact me via email & I'll let you know which clinic is the

correct one for you. Click on the blue + icon in the Region Clinics line  of the Member Home menu on the left hand side of the start page in the USA Volleyball Events section to expand the Region Clinics list. Click on the “Region Ref/Score Clinics” link which will display all available clinics. Currently certified referees can click on the “+ Participant Registration” bar  to the right of the appropriate clinic for them. The next screen to appear is the “Registration” screen. Individuals who have completed their registration for the current season and are “current” members should enter their member number (a seven digit number from their membership number) in the “Member / Contact ID” box and click “GO” . For example, if your membership number is similar to OD1234567FJ18, then your “Member Number” would be the 1234567 portion of the complete member number. Otherwise, you will have to enter your information in each block marked with a red asterisk (*) in the “Individual Information” section. After entering all of your member information, click the red “Submit” box  at the bottom of the page. On the next screen, click the “Edit” box for Participant Information to correct any membership information that is missing or incorrect. Click the red “Register” box  to complete the registration process. A “Registration Confirmation” window confirming successful registration will pop up. Click “OK”. The next screen is the confirmation screen. On it, you will find your login information (username & password) for logging into the clinics contained at the USA Volleyball Academy. You will have the exact same user credentials (name, email address, username, & password) that you have for Webpoint. In addition to your login information, you will also see a “Login to USAV Academy” link in a red box  near the bottom of the page or a “USAV Academy” link in a red box  at the bottom of the left hand menu section – either of which will take you directly to the USA Volleyball Academy in a logged in status to complete your clinics. When you have successfully registered for a clinic, you will receive an email confirmation from Webpoint (from usav_admin@ai-group.com). It is recommended that you always log in to Webpoint before going to the Academy and use one of the links in Webpoint to go to the Academy. It is possible to go directly to the Academy by using the URL www.usavolleyballacademy.org and log in using the same login credentials you use to log in to Webpoint. When you are on the Academy’s home page, you should never register as a new user even if it’s your first time completing courses & clinics within the Academy. Once you are logged in to the Academy, you will see the various clinics and individual classes you’re registered for. When you click the green “GO” icon, you’ll be able to start an individual course. You may stop and restart each course as many times as is necessary to complete the course. Each individual clinic curriculum will contain a one slide “Region Overview Course”. This course replaces all the introductory courses that existed for each clinic in previous years. Although this course is contained in each curriculum, an individual will only need to view this one slide course one time (when the individual starts their first module in the first clinic they start). Courses play using Adobe Flash Player. If you don’t have it on your computer currently, you can get it free at <http://get.adobe.com/flashplayer>

5. CLINICS FOR PROVISIONAL & REGIONAL SCORERS: You will also need to complete your requirements to recertify your scoring certification if your scoring certification is indicated as “Lapsed”. Please remember that you must maintain your scorer certification in order to retain your referee certification. Once you see the ODR Region Clinics, Provisional Scorers must register for the ODR Recertifying Provisional Scorer Clinic OD19_302 and Regional Scorers must register for the ODR Recertifying Regional Scorer Clinic OD19_303. Certification for Provisional Scorers is for one year. Certification for Regional Scorers is for two years. If your certification indicates your certification is current (not lapsed), you do not have to complete a scoring clinic for the current season. Follow other instructions from paragraph 4 above. All National and Junior National Referees (active or retired) who are not certified as National Scorers are certified as Regional Scorers and must complete the Recertifying Regional Scorer Clinic every two years.

6. CLINICS FOR JUNIOR NATIONAL AND NATIONAL OFFICIALS. You will automatically be registered for the appropriate National Level Curriculum you must complete by the Officials Commission of USA Volleyball. Log directly into the Volleyball Academy at www.usavolleyballacademy.org or click on one of the direct links in Webpoint to complete the required clinic(s).

7. CLINIC FOR RETIRED JUNIOR NATIONAL AND RETIRED NATIONAL OFFICIALS. Retired national level officials who desire to continue officiating at region sanctioned tournaments must complete the ODR Retired National Level

Referee Training OD19_206 and the appropriate scorer clinic. Retired national level officials who want to referee at a national event must meet the prerequisites for officiating at a national event.

8. NATIONAL CLINIC FOR ALL OFFICIALS. The National Clinic the region is hosting this season is on Sunday January 13, 2019 at 1:00 PM in the Innsbrook Meeting Room at the Richmond Marriott Short Pump located at 4240 Dominion Boulevard in Glen Allen, VA. Our clinician will be Gloria Cox. The National Clinic this year will again have two parts. The first part is the National Clinic which will start at 1:00 PM. The second part is the Referee Advancement Clinic which will start at 3:30 PM. While the first portion is primarily for National & Junior National officials, I recommend all officials attend. The second portion of the clinic is primarily for new, Provisional, and Regional level officials. National level officials may attend. I'll have a short meeting in between the two clinic portions for all officials so that those national level officials who do not want to attend the second portion of the clinic may leave. I'll also hold a short meeting at the conclusion of the second clinic for brand new officials only. Please register for the National clinic in the National Clinic Registration section on volleyballreftraining.com as soon as possible. Go to <https://volleyballreftraining.com>. Hover over "Events" and click on "National & Advancement Referee Clinics" to get to the National Clinic Registration page. Junior National & National Referees (plus those other referees who have officiated at a National event and have been assigned a USAV Code) register by clicking on the "Register With Your USAV Code" box. Enter your USAV Code and click "LOGON". If you have misplaced your USAV code, there is a link you can use to retrieve your code. I do not have a list of everyone's USAV code. Then click "Main DASHBOARD" in the Account menu on the left hand side. Then click "Clinic Registration – Add / Update" under "Clinic Mgt" in the center section. Then click the number button in the "Select" column on the left hand side of the clinic list opposite the Richmond clinic on January 13. You will receive a confirmation email from VRTinteractive confirming your clinic registration. All other officials must "Register or Update In-Person Registration as Guest With No USAV Code". Enter your first & last names that you use in Webpoint and enter your Zip Code. Click "Submit". Enter the remainder of your personal information to include Region (OD) and your current referee & scorer ratings. Click "Submit". Then click the "Select" button on the left hand side of the clinic list opposite the Richmond clinic on January 13. Click "Register". Complete the payment process. You will receive a confirmation email from VRTinteractive confirming your clinic registration. CAUTION: Make sure you sign up for the clinic ODR is hosting in Richmond on January 13. Junior National and National officials register for the clinic when they pay their National Dues, but must still go to VRT to sign up for the specific clinic they will attend. While I know national level referees can complete the clinic on line in certain years, I would appreciate all referees attend the live clinic since this is the one single time during the season when we can all get together in one place at one time. After you have registered for and attended the National Clinic and the Advancement Clinic, USA Volleyball will enter those clinics in your Academy record so that you can review information from those clinics throughout the season.

9. CLINIC COMPLETION DATES. Please keep in mind that even though I may have accepted you to work one or more of our multi-day tournaments this coming season, that acceptance is predicated on you completing your clinic and testing requirements before that tournament. All clinic work must be completed by January 18, 2019. However, I recommend you complete all clinic and testing work by January 1, 2019 to allow me time to enter your completion information into Webpoint. Please don't be one of those unprofessional procrastinators whom I have to spend a lot of time and effort tracking down to get clinics completed. A part of professionalism is completing your responsibilities on time. Be part of the solution – not part of the problem.

10. EXAMS. The exams you must complete are included in the appropriate curriculum for the clinic you must complete. Those tests aren't live in the Academy yet, so after you've completed all other course work, check back every couple of weeks to see if the tests have been loaded yet. Again, please complete your tests by January 18, 2019. For national level officials, your tests will probably go live on or about December 1, 2018 and must be completed by March 1, 2019.

11. EXAM CRAM SESSION. To assist you in completing the test requirements, there is an optional clinic for which you may register. The clinic is identified as OD19_299 ODR Cram Session Practice Rules Exam. The clinic contains practice test questions much like those that appear in the various rules exams. You do not have to complete this clinic and the clinic will remain active for your use throughout the entire season.

12. INITIAL IMPORTANT DATES. Monument City Classic (MCC) Jan 19-21; ODR Girls 18s' Bid Tournament Mar 3; Shamrock Festival Mar 16-17; Revolutionary Rumble Apr 27-28; ODR Bid Tournament and Regional Championships May 4 & 5 (tentative); East Coast Boys & South Atlantic Girls (ECB / SAG) May 25-27. There is a new two day tournament called the Capitol Collision Classic scheduled for April 13 & 14 to be conducted at several high schools in Southside Richmond. Sign up for Shamrock, the Capitol Classic, & the Rumble in AES. Sign up for MCC and ECB / SAG in Sport Wrench. All except for the ODR Bid Tournaments and Championships are already open for registration. We also plan to use most of those weekends for local one day region tournaments so we'll need lots of referees to fill all our requirements. It appears we will have ODR sanctioned tournaments starting on January 5. I hope to use Jan 5 and January 12 as rating dates for new officials. January 12 will be the primary date with January 5 & 6 as alternate tentative dates. I hope to have rating sites in at least two locations on each of those dates, but that depends on who offers to host tournaments on those weekends and if those tournaments fill to a level where ratings are possible. Please keep those dates open if you're a national level official since I will probably need you as a rater for new officials. I'll also use some Regional Referees as raters for those rating events and will need other referees to serve as supervising officials at those and other sites. I'll make the supervising official assignments through Arbiter as in the past so please update it for January as soon as you're able.

Thanks & good luck as you start to prepare for the upcoming season. I hope you have a great season.

Bob Kyle
ODR Referee Chair
November 13, 2018