



Volleyball New Brunswick

Age-Class Competition Guide

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## 1.0 Introduction

Volleyball New Brunswick exists to provide athletes, coaches, referees and volunteers with opportunities and support for participation, development, and advancement within the sport of volleyball.

This document is a guide containing information regarding the 2022-2023 indoor club season including all necessary registration information. All standard rules and regulations are from the Volleyball Canada Rule Book which you can access [here](#). If you have any questions regarding the upcoming season or require assistance, please do not hesitate to contact Volleyball New Brunswick's (VNB) office at (506) 451-1346 or email [operationsdirector@volleyballnb.org](mailto:operationsdirector@volleyballnb.org).

Be sure to visit VNB's website at [www.volleyballnb.org](http://www.volleyballnb.org). The website is updated regularly for your convenience to keep you informed on upcoming events, schedules, clinics, and programs for both indoor and beach volleyball.

## 1.1 Mission Statement

Volleyball New Brunswick (VNB) is a non-profit organization established to provide quality services and programs to all interested individuals and groups that will assist in the promotion, development, and growth of volleyball in New Brunswick.

## 1.2 Criteria for Success

In 2022-23, Volleyball New Brunswick will be a successful sport organization that is:

- Passionate about the sport of volleyball and active in the sporting world.
- Athlete-centered and believes in continued sport development.
- Creating opportunities for everyone to participate in and support volleyball.
- Well-known and respected locally, provincially, and nationally.
- Known for quality high performance and competitive programs.
- Innovative and forward thinking.
- Driven by dynamic committed leadership.
- Building and inviting a culture of excitement, fun, and friendliness.
- Rewarding and challenging for staff and volunteers.
- Consistent, organized and well structured.
- Professional, ethical, and fiscally responsible

## 1.3 VNB Governance Model

Volleyball New Brunswick governs and operates following the 'Carver' model organization. Our Board of Directors/Executive Committee consists of volunteer people. They determine the policies and long-term direction while the Chief Staff Officer, the Executive Director, working with the Association's Standing Committees is responsible for interpretation and implementation of policies and for making recommendations to the board on both policies and long-term direction. Under this model the Executive Director is an 'ex-officio' member of the Board of Directors/Executive Committee. Volleyball New Brunswick is committed to establishing a working environment that stimulates creativity, and encourages idea sharing



amongst both volunteers and staff.

#### **1.4 Membership**

The members of VNB shall abide by the policies in the Operations Manual and Constitution and will pay membership fees as established by most delegates present and entitled to vote at the Annual General Meeting of VNB. Full membership in VNB is open to all individuals who express an interest in pursuing the purposes of VNB. Membership season expires August 31<sup>st</sup> of each year. There shall be three classes of membership, namely, “Full”, “Associate/Recreational” and “Honorary”.

**Full Membership:** An active member shall be any individual who pays the designated registration fee. The member may be a player, a coach, an official, and/or administrator, and may register as either a member of a team or individually.

**Associate/Recreational:** Associate/Recreational membership shall be open to any person, corporation or association admitted to VNB from time to time by the general membership at an Annual General Meeting of VNB. An associate/recreational member will pay dues, receive no vote at the Annual General Meeting, not be eligible to hold office on the Executive Committee, and will receive limited services.

**Honorary Membership:** Honorary Membership is granted by vote of the membership to individuals who have contributed to the furtherance of the purposes of VNB.

#### **1.5 Annual General Meeting**

Reports from directors, financial statements are presented. Recommendations from the standing committees are made and voted upon. The AGM is held in September or October each year.

### **2.0 Contact Information**

#### **Administration**

The VNB Administrative Office is located at the Sport New Brunswick office at 900 Hanwell Road, Suite 31, in Fredericton. Its Executive and Board of Directors are from various regions of the province. VNB has two full time professional staff members. Office hours are 8:30am-4:00pm, Monday to Friday.

#### **Executive Committee**

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## 3.0 Eligibility, Registration and Fees

### 3.1 Requirements

All teams must be registered with Volleyball New Brunswick prior to playing in a VNB league tournament. VNB membership is active from September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 to August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023. All teams must have registration fees paid in full before being considered “registered with VNB”. Registration and payment must be paid online. To register, go to VNB’s website, go to membership, and select the online registration link through the VRS.

### 3.2 Team Registration Deadlines

The deadline for the VNB Indoor Team Registration for the Youth Division is as follows:

- All teams must be registered by November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022



### 3.3 Eligibility

#### *Team Eligibility*

- A VNB representative in any capacity may request proof of registration of a club, team or individual.
- Any New Brunswick team competing in any VNB sanctioned event must be fully registered and may utilize only registered VNB members.
- Teams are eligible to register for membership above, but not below, their age category. They must compete in the Provincial Championship of the age category they have registered for.
- Any VNB representative in any capacity may demand proof of registration of a team and Club or of any individual at any VNB competition.
- Out of Province teams must be registered with their association to participate in VNB tournaments
- If a team does not wish to take part in the VNB Provincial Championships but does wish to play in the VNB sanctioned events, they must register by the appropriate deadlines and pay the membership registration fee.
- A registered youth team, in any VNB tournament, including VNB Provincials, dresses up to fifteen players, but only twelve players may play in any single match. The twelve names must be listed on the scoresheet before each match. There can only be four (4) team staff listed on the scoresheet and on the bench during a match.
- A team may register up to fifteen (15) players on the registration list, and must register a minimum of eight (8) players.
- A minimum of six (6) players can compete at a VNB sanctioned event.

#### *Player Eligibility*

- Participants will register for each VNB division they play in as either a Full Member or an Associate Member (please see section 1.4 membership for definition).
- VNB members must be residents of New Brunswick. Players who have been members of VNB and are now residing outside of the province may register with VNB until they register with another association.
- Players from another province must be a member in good standing from their respective province.

### 3.4 Age Class Fees

Age Group	Player Fee	Team Fee
<= 10U	\$15/player	-
13U	\$70/player	\$350/team
14U	\$70/player	\$350/team
15U	\$70/player	\$350/team



16U	\$70/player	\$300/team
17U	\$70/player	\$300/team
18U	\$70/player	\$300/team

*3.4.1 Membership fees are 100% non-refundable.*

### **3.5 Registered Team Responsibilities**

- It is the duty and responsibility of all players and coaches to know the rules of the game and abide by them
- The Volleyball Canada rules as presented in the most current version of the Volleyball Canada Rulebook and as applied by officials registered with VNB are the only rules applicable in sanctioned competitions unless otherwise stated.
- To ensure eligibility can be shown, teams and clubs must be registered prior to their first sanctioned competition. Individual players may be added to the Adult and Youth team roster throughout the year. This player must follow all eligibility requirements in order to play in the Provincial Championships.
- VNB reserves the right to hold team registration fees and sanction teams that do not show up for the tournament they registered for and/or drops out after the tournament registration deadline. If for any reason a team leaves a tournament before all play is complete, they risk being sanctioned and fined up to \$100.00.

## **4.0 Club Regulations**

### **4.1 Club Requirements**

All groups containing 1 or more teams as outlined above must complete the registration process of their PTA. Clubs must be located in a geographical territory within one province or territory. A team can have more than one team per gender or category.

### **4.2 Forming a Club**

Teams wishing to form a club must declare a club contact who will register the club and teams in the VRS and handle all official matters. The formation of a club must be declared at the point of team registration.

### **4.3 Vertical Movement within a Club**

As long as no Volleyball Canada regulations are contravened (making a team ineligible for National Championships), Youth teams may use lower age players from the same club in a VNB competition including Provincials. Players will only be allowed to compete with one team during a tournament or event, including the age-class provincial championship. Players cannot move after the roster lock date. The players must meet all eligibility requirements.





#### **4.4 Lateral Movement within a Club**

Clubs may laterally move up to three (3) athletes between teams in the same age class during regular season events. Lateral movement is defined as an athlete moving from roster A to roster B. All team rosters must be finalized and submitted by the VNB roster submission deadline. This rule applies to all age groups.

An athlete CANNOT participate for more than one (1) team during the same tournament OR event

#### **4.5 Player Transfers**

- Unless different PTA regulations exist, all players are free agents at the end of the playing season.
- Once a player has completed the registration process with a specific team, a player may not transfer without consent from the PTA.
- When a transfer consent is granted, the transfer date shall be no less than 7 days from the transfer request.

##### ***4.5.1 Transfer Procedure***

- A player must provide a written request to VNB stating the reason for the transfer.
- A player must obtain a written release from the club or team the player wishes to leave. A release may not be held up unreasonably. If a club or team refuses to provide a written release, VNB will determine whether the transfer is allowed.
- The new club must submit a new registration form.

### **5.0 Youth Competition Regulations**

#### **5.1 Divisions of Play**

18U: Athletes born from September 1, 2004 to December 31, 2005 (16 months)

17U: Athletes born from September 1, 2005 to December 31, 2006 (16 months)

16U: Athletes born from September 1, 2006 to December 31, 2007 (16 months)

15U: Athletes born from September 1, 2007 to December 31, 2008 (16 months)

14U: Athletes born from September 1, 2008 to December 31, 2009 (16 months)

13U: Athletes born from September 1, 2009 to December 31, 2010 (16 months)

\*Athletes on a current ACAA or USports volleyball roster, will not be permitted to play.\*

All categories except U17 have a separate provincial tournament. However, players aged 17 and under may participate in the National Championship, provided they meet the eligibility criteria.

#### **5.2 Rules**

The rules listed in the current edition of the Volleyball Canada Rule Book are in effect unless otherwise stated.

#### **5.3 Tournament Regulations**

Teams may register on a first-come, first-served basis for the tournaments of the league that they are registered to play. Teams are not allowed to play down a category. Teams may register for a tournament in one classification above their age category of registration (15U can play 16U, 15U cannot play 17U), if there are registrations available.



Before the registration deadline, a team of a lower league may be bumped out of a league tournament if there is a team within the registered category of the tournament on a waiting list. All registered teams of the same membership category have the rights and privileges of that category regardless of their age. VNB strongly recommends that tournament organizers have 4, 8, 12 and 16 team draws.

#### **5.4 Registration Deadline**

The deadline to register for all VNB tournaments, except for Provincial Championships, is 10 days prior to the event. This will give VNB the chance to better prepare the schedule. The schedule should be sent to teams three (3) days prior to the event. Registration for sanctioned tournaments can be done on the Volleyball Registration System.

#### **5.5 Official Game Ball**

- Official Game Ball for **13U**: Mikasa MVA Lite at all VNB events.
- Official Game Ball for **14U and 15U**: Mikasa VQ200W at all VNB events
- Official Game Ball for **16U, 17U, 18U**: Mikasa V200W at all VNB events

\*Please see the Official Game Ball sheet on our website for more information about the Official Balls.

#### **5.6 Uniform Rule**

The uniform rule will be in effect at all VNB events. Each registered team shall be appropriately dressed for competition as follows:

- The colour for the jerseys and shorts must be uniform for the team (except the libero). The length, style, design or fit of the shorts are irrelevant and of no consequence. The uniforms must be clean.
- Compression wear can be any single solid colour. The single solid colour does not need to be the same for each player.
- Players' jerseys must be numbered from **1 to 99** inclusive.
- The number must be placed on the jersey at the centre of the front and of the back.
- The colour and brightness of the numbers must contrast with the colour and brightness of the jerseys.
- The number must be a minimum of 10cm in height on the chest and a minimum of 15cm high on the back. The line forming the numbers must be 2cm in width.
- The Team Captain must have on their jersey a stripe of 8x2cm underlining the number on the chest.
- It is forbidden to wear uniforms of a colour different from that of the other players (except for the Libero), and with/or without official numbers.
- Refer to the Volleyball Canada Rule Book for the complete definition of the uniform for the Libero

#### **5.7 Team Withdrawal Procedure**

- Any team withdrawing from a sanctioned tournament must do so prior to the event, by the registration deadline. VNB will retain 10% of the registration fee to cover some administrative costs. The registration fee is non-refundable for teams who withdraw after the registration deadline.
- A team that doesn't show up is a "no-show" and will not have their tournament registration refunded; they will also be given a warning.
- After the second occurrence the team will be eliminated from participation in the VNB Provincial Championships.



- This sanction could be appealed in writing.
- If local weather or other circumstances prevents a team from traveling to an event, the team contact must notify the tournament host an hour prior to the start of the tournament. If a team is unable to attend due to weather or mitigating circumstances, the team will not be asked to forfeit their tournament entry fee.

### **5.8 Warm Up Protocol**

Team Warm-ups will be conducted using the 5-5-5 format (time permitting), which is as follows:

5 minutes for players to warm-up on their respective side of the court, 5 minutes to use the full court (traditionally used for spiking and serving practice), 4 minutes to use the space behind the baseline (traditionally used for passing practice).

Warm-up Protocol 7.2.4 Volleyball Canada – In an effort to reduce the incidence of injuries and concussions during warm-up, Volleyball Canada has developed the following warm-up protocol. This protocol is to be followed by all teams during the designated on court warm-up time:

1. Athletes must remain on their side of the net immediately following an attack and only move to the opposite side of the net from outside of the court. Athletes are not permitted into the receiving court.
2. Any ball from the receiving side of the court, entered to the attacking side, must be entered from outside of the court.
3. Retrieved balls must be returned along the sidelines of the court and not through the receiving court.
4. If the team is using both sides of the court, i.e. full court game type activity – only one ball can be in play at any given time.
5. Opposing teams are not permitted to use volleyballs in the free zone during the other team's allocated court time. It is recommended for the opposing team to support the retrieval of volleyballs for the team on the court.

For teams that do not follow the warm-up protocol, the referees will note on the score sheet the non-compliance of the warm-up protocol. The league, PTA, or Volleyball Canada will determine the appropriate sanction.

### **5.9 Schedule Times**

The tournament director has the authority (in consultation with coaches and the Head Official) to move matches ahead and/or move matches to a different court than scheduled in order to avoid delays and shorten the length of the tournament day. Finals will be scheduled no later than 6pm unless otherwise stated by VNB and Age-Class Committee.

- Each round robin match will be given a 50–60-minute time slot.
- Each 2 of 3 matches will be given a 1 hour and 15 minutes time slot.
- The tournament director will be identified on the tournament schedule along with contact information.

### **5.10 Format**

Depending on the number of teams, Volleyball New Brunswick Provincial Championships may be a one or two day event. Playoffs may be tiered, but full positional play downs will not necessarily be scheduled. The VNB Provincial Championship will be scheduled and formatted by the VNB Director of



Operations in co-operation with the Age-Class Committee.

### 5.11 Tournament Cancellation Policy

- No tournament will be held if there are less than 4 teams
- If a tournament host wishes to cancel due to weather or other mitigating circumstances, they must do so by 2pm the Friday prior to their event. If a tournament is canceled, teams will be refunded their tournament entry fee and will be awarded one point that will count towards their Provincial Championship eligibility

## 6.0 Risk Management and Safety

It is the policy of Volleyball New Brunswick to foster a spirit of competitiveness in the safest possible environment. It is the responsibility of every member, coach, referee, volunteer and staff to practice Risk Management and Safety on a continuous basis.

When a team applies to host a VNB event, it is their responsibility to provide a safe environment for players, coaches, referees and spectators.

**Canadian Safe Sport Anonymous Hotline, 1-888-84-SPORT (77678):** to report harassment, abuse and discrimination concerns.

### 6.1 Person in Authority (PIA) and Rule of Two Guidelines

**Persons in Authority (PIA)** are anyone who is listed on a roster or involved with the athletes (Coaches, Managers, Trainers, Medical Personnel, Gym helpers/practice-only coaches, Board Members).

ALL PERSONS IN AUTHORITY (PIA) must complete the following to participate in **any VNB sanctioned event** (including Open tournaments, VNB club tournaments, practices and VNB Provincials), as well as Volleyball Canada Nationals.

1. Background Screening See 6.2
2. Complete and submit Safe Sport Training or Respect in Sport Certification
3. Read and adhere to Volleyball Canada's [Code of Conduct](#) and [Abuse Policy](#)
4. Review and adhere to the Responsible Coaching Movement's Rule of Two:
  - a. Any one-on-one interaction between PIA and an individual athlete must take place within earshot and view of a second PIA. If possible, one of the PIAs should be the same gender as the athlete. If a PIA is not available, another screened volunteer, parent, or adult can be recruited. An exception is made for medical emergencies.

### 6.2 Police Record Check and Vulnerable Sector Screen

Volleyball New Brunswick follows a strict policy for all PIA working directly with athletes in registered club programs. All PIA must have the following:

1. Enhanced Police Information Check/Criminal Record Check and Vulnerable Sector Screen (expires 3 years from date issued)
  - a. Both must be submitted by **September 15th, 2022** or before your first interaction with youth.
  - b. Clubs will be fined \$50 per team staff person **not** meeting the requirement and the team staff person(s) will be removed from all team rosters
  - c. Any PIA added to rosters after this date must submit their 2 checks **prior** to interacting



with any athletes

In order to make the process of acquiring a Police Record Check with Vulnerable Sector Screen as painless as possible, Sterling Background Checks have been integrated into Sportlomo. This will eliminate the need to go to your local police/RCMP station.

### 6.3 2022-2023 VNB Provincials & VC Nationals Coaching Requirements

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**ALL PERSONS IN AUTHORITY (PIA)** must complete the following in order to participate in any VNB sanctioned event (including Open tournaments, VNB club tournaments, practices and VNB Provincials), as well as Volleyball Canada Nationals.

- **Background Screening: Volleyball New Brunswick/ Volleyball Canada require all PIA to complete the following:**
  - Enhanced Police Information Check/Criminal Record Check – completed within the last 3 years
  - Vulnerable Sector Check, completed within the last 3 years
  - Both must be submitted to VNB by **September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022**
- **Complete and submit Safe Sport Training or Respect in Sport Certification**
- **Read and adhere to Volleyball Canada's Code of Conduct and Abuse Policy**
- **Review and adhere to the Responsible Coaching Movement's Rule of Two:**
  1. Any one-on-one interaction between PIA and an individual athlete must take place within earshot and view of a second PIA. If possible, one of the PIAs should be the same gender as the athlete. If a PIA is not available, another screened volunteer, parent, or adult can be recruited. An exception is made for medical emergencies.
- **Contact the Canadian Safe Sport Anonymous Hotline, 1-888-84-SPORT (77678), to report harassment, abuse and discrimination concerns.**

### 7.0 Coaching Certification

**All 13U-18U HEAD COACHES** listed on a roster must be certified in their respective age category requirements ***within three seasons*** of participating in NB Age-Class Provincials and/or Volleyball Canada National Championships (beginning in 2017). Individuals in their third season or later as a Head Coach in 2022 must complete their certification by **March 31st, 2023**.

Age category requirements:

- **13U-16U Development Coach – Certified**
- **17-18U Advanced Development Coach – Certified**

**Sanctions:** A Head Coach who does not meet the certifications requirements after their third season, **will not be eligible for their next season of play** or be permitted to be listed as the Head Coach on any future rosters at VNB Provincials or VC National Championships, **until certification**

requirements have been completed.

Age Division	Certification Level
Tripleball	Development Coach Certified, Safe Sport Training
14U	Development Coach Certified, Safe Sport Training
15U	Development Coach Certified, Safe Sport Training
16U	Development Coach Certified, Safe Sport Training
17U	Advanced Development Coach Certified, Safe Sport Training
18U	Advanced Development Coach Certified, Safe Sport Training

### 7.1 Certification Timeline Recommendations

**Development Coach Certified (13U-16U):** Recommended timelines for training tasks in the Development Coach pathway. Coaches are encouraged to complete tasks as soon as they are able and do not necessarily have to wait for the year indicated. Coaches should only register for the Development Coach Evaluation once all other tasks have been completed.

Year	Tasks	Time	Cost
1	<a href="#">Foundations of Volleyball eLearning</a>	1.5 hours	\$89
	<a href="#">Safe Sport Training - Mandatory</a>	1.5 hours	FREE
	<a href="#">Make Ethical Decisions Online Evaluation</a>	45 minutes	\$85 or free
	<a href="#">Making Head Way eLearning</a>	90 minutes	Free
2	<a href="#">Development Coach Workshop</a>	Weekend (18 hours)	\$125
	<a href="#">Nutrition eLearning (Optional)</a>	45 minutes	\$20
3	<a href="#">Development Coach Evaluation</a>	4-6 hours	\$120

**Advanced Development Coach Certified (17U-18U):** Recommended timelines for training tasks in the Development Coach pathway. Coaches are encouraged to complete tasks as soon as they are able and do not necessarily have to wait for the year indicated. Coaches should only register for the Development Coach Evaluation once all other tasks have been completed.



Year	Tasks	Time	Cost
1	<a href="#">Foundations of Volleyball eLearning</a>	1.5 hours	\$89
	<a href="#">Safe Sport Training - Mandatory</a>	1.5 hours	FREE
	<a href="#">Make Ethical Decisions Online Evaluation</a>	45 minutes	\$85 or free
	<a href="#">Making Head Way eLearning</a>	90 minutes	Free
	<a href="#">Development Coach Workshop</a>	Weekend (18 hours)	\$125
2	<a href="#">Advanced Development Coach Workshop</a>	Weekend (18 hours)	\$125
	<a href="#">Nutrition eLearning (Optional)</a>	45 minutes	\$20
	<a href="#">Design a Basic Sport Program</a>	4 hours	\$25
	<a href="#">Basic Mental Skills</a>	4 hours	\$25
3	<a href="#">Advanced Development Coach Evaluation</a>	4-6 hours	\$120

*\*Note all costs are subject to change*

## 8.0 League Tournaments

### 8.1 Hosting a League Tournament

- Teams wishing to host a sanctioned league tournament are to contact the VNB Director of Operations after September 1st.
- League tournament hosts will be determined by the VNB Director of Operations. Tournament organizers will abide by the guidelines set out in the VNB Tournament Host Package.
- Tournament organizers must have the updated VNB Official Balls for game balls at sanctioned events.
- Tournament organizers must try to accept all teams that register from their own division. If a host fails to do so for facility reasons, another host may run a tournament to another in this format and will not be penalized. If tournament spots are not filled the day prior to the registration deadline the host may decide to allow teams from another division to fill the empty spots.
- Tournament organizers must provide scorekeepers. Instructional video for the official scoresheet can be found [here](#).
- It is strongly recommended that the tournament host provide some sort of prize, medals, plaque, certificate, etc., to recognize the first place team at your town tournament.



## 8.2 Tournament Scheduling

The serpentine method will be used for all tournaments. Teams will be seeded following each tournament and will be posted on the website. VNB will use these rankings to determine scheduling of the tournaments. VNB reserves the right to change the ranking in certain circumstances (same club teams playing each other, too many traveling teams in a pool etc.)

### Considerations

- Each team will receive a minimum of 6 sets.
- No team will play more than twice in a row.
- No team will sit more than twice in a row.
- Host teams should play the first time slot.
- The furthest traveling teams should not play the first time slot.

## 8.3 Point System

The following points chart applies to tournaments with a minimum of eight (8) teams. If a tournament has less than eight (8) teams but more than four (4), the ranking points will be awarded at 75% of the listed value. Four (4) team tournaments will receive ranking points at 50% of the listed value.

Rank	Points	Rank	Points
1	500	11	290
2	460	12	280
3	430	13	270
4	415	14	260
5	390	15	250
6	370	16	240
7	350	17	230
8	330	18	220
9	310	19	210
10	300	20	200

## 8.4 Determining Tournament Rank

To determine the rank of teams entering a sanctioned tournament the following process will be implemented:

1. Calculated the sum of the two highest point accumulations
2. Divide the sum of 2
3. In the case of a tie, the following procedure will be used to break the tie:





- a. The result of matches played head to head in the most recent tournament.
- b. The sum of the 3 highest points divided by 3 (if one of the tied teams have not played in a 3<sup>rd</sup> tournament, the tie break will go to the team that partook in the extra VNB sanctioned tournament).
- c. The team with the higher placed finish in the most recent tournament that both teams attended.
- d. The team with higher placed finishes in all tournaments attended
- e. Coin toss

### **8.5 Protests**

Tournament competition protests are to be lodged according to the procedures listed in the Volleyball Canada Rule Book and/or as outlined in the tournament rules, for the tournament Protest Committee to handle. Inquiries and protests regarding procedures or regulations are to be addressed to the league coordinator and Volleyball New Brunswick in writing.

### **8.6 Official's Fees (subject to change)**

Please note the following fees when hosting a tournament, also see Officials rates below:

Travel costs for referees are depending on the distance traveled. This could cost the host \$0.41 per KM per vehicle. Also hosts will have to pay for meal allowance if needed.

Guidelines are as follows:

- Breakfast: \$10.00 (if official stays overnight)
- Lunch: \$12.00 (for out of town officials only)
- Supper: \$18.00 (if on the court or traveling past 6pm)

### **13U/14U Tournament**

Is required to have one Referee per court; playoff games will be played best 2/3, with two officials in the final.

#### *8 Team Tournament*

- Two Pools of 4, with four teams moving onto Semis and Finals.
- 12 Round Robin games with 3 playoff games.
- Referee costs are \$272.00

#### *10 Team Tournament*

- Two Pools of 5, with four teams moving onto Semis and Finals.
- 20 Round Robin games with 3 playoff games
- Referee costs are \$400.00

#### *12 Team Tournament*

- Three pools of 4, with 4 moving onto Semis and Finals, or 6 teams moving onto Quarters, Semis, and Finals.
- 18 Round Robin games with 3 or 5 playoff games
- Referee costs are \$368-\$408

#### *16 Team Tournament*

- Four pools of 4, with 8 teams moving onto Quarters, Semis and Finals
- 24 Round Robin games with 7 playoff games
- Referee costs are \$544



14U Tournaments				
8 Teams	10 Teams	12 Teams	12 Teams	16 Teams
12 x 16 = 192	20 x 16 = 320	18 x 16 = 288	18 x 16 = 288	24 x 16 = 384
2 x 20 = 40	2 x 20 = 40	2 x 20 = 40	4 x 20 = 80	6 x 20 = 120
1 x 40 = 40	1 x 40 = 40	1 x 40 = 40	1 x 20 = 40	1 x 40 = 40
Total = 272	Total = 400	Total = 368	Total = 408	Total = 544

### 15U- 18U Tournament

Required to have 2 referees per court; playoffs will be best 2/3. Cost per referee depends on the level of refereeing the person holds.

#### 8 Team Tournament

- Two Pools of 4, with four teams moving onto Semis and Finals
- 12 Round Robin games with 3 playoff games
- Referee costs are \$504-\$600

#### 10 Team Tournament

- Two Pools of 5, with four teams moving onto Semis and Finals
- 20 Round Robin games with 3 playoff games
- Referee costs are \$760-\$846

#### 12 Team Tournament

- Three Pools of 4, with 4 moving onto Semis and Finals, or 6 moving onto Quarters, Semis, and Finals
- 18 Round Robin Games with 3 or 5 playoff games
- Referee Costs are \$696-\$856 or \$774-\$942

#### 16 Team Tournament

- Four Pools of 4, with 8 teams moving onto Quarters, Semis and Finals
- 24 Round Robin games with 7 playoff games
- Referee costs are \$1048-@1158

15U-18U Tournaments				
8 Teams	10 Teams	12 Teams	12 Teams	16 Teams
12 x 32 = 384	20 x 32 = 640	18 x 32 = 576	18 x 32 = 576	24 x 32 = 768
2 x 40 = 80	2 x 40 = 80	2 x 40 = 80	6 x 40 = 240	6 x 40 = 240
1 x 40 = 40	1 x 40 = 40	1 x 40 = 40	1 x 40 = 40	1 x 40 = 40
Total = 504	Total = 760	Total = 696	Total = 856	Total = 1048
Or	Or	Or	Or	Or
12 x 36 = 432	20 x 36 = 720	18 x 36 = 648	18 x 36 = 648	24 x 36 = 864
2 x 42 = 84	2 x 42 = 84	2 x 42 = 84	6 x 42 = 252	6 x 42 = 252
1 x 42 = 84	1 x 42 = 42	1 x 42 = 42	1 x 42 = 42	1 x 42 = 42
Total = 600	Total = 846	Total = 774	Total = 942	Total = 1158



Expenses			
Meal		Travel	Accommodations
Breakfast	\$10.00	\$0.41 per Km	As per tournament host or match host
Lunch	\$12.00	Refer to mileage chart	Where possible, accommodations must be billed directly back to host
Supper	\$18.00	Refer to mileage chart	

Note: Meal allowance is only to be allocated to:

1. Indicates reimbursements for travelling out-of-zone officials.
2. In order to receive breakfast allowance, you must be staying overnight in the location of the tournament or leaving before 6am to officiate the tournament.
3. A lunch allowance is only to reimburse out-of-zone travelling officials.
4. In order to receive a supper allowance you must be leaving a tournament or travelling after 6pm and/or staying overnight in the location of the tournament.
5. A supper allowance is not to be provided for a weekday match

Under 14 Age Class			
	Each Set	Match 2/3	Match 3/5
	1 referee per court	1 referee per court	1 referee per court
Local	\$8.00	\$20.00	\$33.00
Provincial			
Regional			
National/ International			



Under 15 - Under 18 Age Class			
	Each Set	Match 2/3	Match 3/5
	2 referee per court	2 referee per court	2 referee per court
Local	\$8.00	\$20.00	\$33.00
Provincial	\$8.00	\$20.00	\$33.00
Regional	\$9.00	\$21.00	\$37.00
National/ International	\$9.00	\$21.00	\$37.00

\*VNBOA will always provide 2 officials per court and call surrounding regions to bring outside officials to events.\*

All Ages for VNB			
	Each Set	Match 2/3	Match 3/5
	2 referee per court	2 referee per court	2 referee per court
Local	\$6.00	\$12.00	\$20.00

*Mileage Chart*

Location	From- To/Return	Mileage (KMs)
Bathurst	Caraquet	132
	Dalhousie	188
	Edmundston	600
	Shippigan	174
	Sunny Corner	188
	Tracadie	140
Campbellton	Bathurst	228
	St. Leonard	318

Caraquet	Campbellton	360
	Dalhousie	314
	Edmundston	760
	Tracadie	74
Fredericton	Boiestown	140
	Campbellton	724
	Caraquet	580
	Edmundston	550
	Fredericton Junction	80
	Grand Falls	430
	Harvey	80
	Minto	85
	Miramichi	344
	Moncton	364
	Nackawic	150
	New Bandon (CNBA)	140
	Rothesay	260
	Sackville	456
	Saint John	220
Stanley	80	
Sussex	242	
	Campbellton	356

Grand Falls	Edmundston	120
	Florenceville	144
	Perth Andover	64
	Plaster Rock	64



Miramichi	Baie Ste. Anne	65
	Bathurst	158
	Blackville	96
	Caraquet	238
	Doaktown	160
	Rexton	126
	Richibucto	116
	St. Louis de Kent	118
	Sunny Corner	60
	Tracadie	162



Moncton	Bouctouche	160
	Cap Pele	92
	Hillsborough	60
	Miramichi	316
	Petitcodiac	80
	Rexton	190
	Richibucto	200
	Sackville	106
	Saint John	304
	Salisbury	60

	Shediac	60
	St. Louis de Kent	226
	Sussex	150
Nackawic	Florenceville	190
	Grand Falls	284
	Hartland	116
	Oromocto	166
	Perth Andover	220
	Woodstock	100
Rothesay	Sussex	120
Saint John	Fredericton	220
	Hampton	70
	Oromocto	177
	Sackville	408
	Saint John	304
	St. Andrews	192
	St. George	160
	St. Stephen	214
	Sussex	148
St. George	St. Stephen	108
	St. Andrews	64



### 8.7 League Tournament Refunds

VNB will deduct a 10% administrative fee from all refund/cancellation requests for any VNB indoor tournament cancelled prior to the registration deadline. For any cancellation done after the registration deadline, there will be no refund. All cancellation or refund requests must be done in writing to the VNB Director of Operations. Any event cancelled by VNB will be 100% refunded.

### 9.0 Tie Breaking Procedure

#### 9.1 Volleyball Canada Rulebook

If two or more teams are tied at the end of the preliminary round, the following criteria will be applied in the following order:

- A) The team having the best ratio of won/lost matches, considering matches played between the tied team, will be ranked higher.
- B) The team having the best ratio of won/lost games, considering matches played between the tied teams, will be ranked higher.
- C) The team having the best ratio of won/lost games, considering all matches of the round, will be ranked higher.
- D) The team having the best ratio of points for/against, considering games played between the tied teams, will be ranked higher.
- E) The team having the best ratio of points for/against, considering ALL games played during the round robin, will be ranked higher.
- F) As determined by the Organizing Committee (a coin toss, an extra game, etc.)

#### 9.2 Sequencing

When you apply this rule to break a tie, you should follow this sequence:

- 1. When two teams are tied, the tie-breaking criteria are applied one after the other until the tie has been broken
- 2. When three or more teams are tied, the tie-breaking criteria are applied one after the other until all the tied teams have been ranked.

Note: This means that if there is a tie among teams X, Y, Z, and criteria "B" is able to determine X as first, Y as second and Z as third, then no further criteria are to be used. The tie is broken. However, if criteria "B" determines X as first and there is still a tie between Y and Z and then the ranking of the remaining teams will be determined by proceeding to criteria "C" and so on, if necessary. Do not start at "A" again. Continue through the sequence of criteria. Also, please note that when the number of teams are not even in each pool, VNB will respect a perfect record and rank that team first in their pool. After ranking the teams within their pool, the ranking for playoffs will be done by using points for/against.

### 10.0 VNB Provincials

#### 10.1 Dates and Locations

All Divisions	Date	Location
All Divisions	December 16 <sup>th</sup> - 18 <sup>th</sup> , 2022	Moncton Coliseum

#### 10.2 Seeding and Division

The serpentine method will be used in the year end tournament ranking. VNB reserves the right to reconfigure the division if two teams from the same club are slated to compete against each other in the round robin.





### **10.3 Team Roster**

- Players within the same club are eligible to play on teams within their club in their own age category and/or any team within their club at a higher category in a season.
- Clubs and teams must declare their final roster by the Roster Lock (November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022). Movement of players between teams is no longer allowed once the final roster is declared.

### **10.4 Refund Policy**

VNB will deduct a 50% of administrative fee from all refund/cancellation requests for the VNB Provincials cancelled prior to the registration deadline. For any cancellation done after the registration deadline there will be no refund. All cancellation or refund requests must be done in writing to the VNB Program Coordinator. Any event cancelled by VNB will be (100%) refunded.

### **10.5 Team Eligibility for Provincials**

To be eligible for the VNB Provincial Championship, teams must participate in two (2) sanctioned age class tournaments. Teams must participate in the Provincial Championship for the category in which they are registered.

*14U, 15U, 16U, 18U Male and Female North-South Rule:* teams must participate in at least two (2) sanctioned tournaments to play in the Provincial Championships. One of these two tournaments must be played in the South and the other in the North to be eligible to play in Provincials.

### **10.6 Player Eligibility for Provincials**

VNB requires that athletes participate in at least one (1) tournament before Provincial Championships.

## **11.0 National Championships**

### **11.1 Registration Guidelines**

- All participants in any capacity (players, coaches, managers, referee) must be registered with the Provincial/Territorial Association. By registering with their PTA, each participant is then a registered member with Volleyball Canada and eligible to participate in the following events.
- All participants in any capacity must meet their PTA registration requirements and deadlines in order to participate in National Championships.
- A team may only be entered under one age class, the lowest age category offered by Volleyball Canada. However, players do have the ability to move up an age class (see 5).
- A minimum of two registered players must meet the age criteria of the age class in which the team is registered and comply with registrations.
- All players can register with only one team and must be registered in the lowest age class offered by their club for which he/she is eligible to compete. However, a player can play with more than one team within the same club.
- NO individual may be registered with more than one PTA, with more than one National Federation or with more than one club or team at any given time, with the same season.

### **11.2 Team Requirements**

All teams must meet the following minimum criteria to attend a National Championship.

- Be registered and in good standing within their own PTA and with Volleyball Canada.
- Participate in the Provincial Championship of their respective Provincial/ Territorial Association.
- Meet all additional registration requirements of their PTA and Volleyball Canada.
- A team must be registered in the appropriate category in order to compete in that category.