



On Feb. 7, USA Volleyball, the Florida Region and our national cadre lost a valuable family member with the passing of Kim Kelly.

Kim's strength, infectious smile and heart of gold defined her character. Fiercely independent, she fearlessly pursued her dreams, creating a life filled with meaningful connections and experiences. Her proudest role was that of mother to daughters Lauren and Caitlin, with whom she shared countless adventures, including cherished visits to Disney World and a memorable summer trip to Washington D.C., New York City and Niagara Falls in 2019.

In marriage, Kim shared 14 years with her former husband, Rick (they met on a basketball court!). They had known each other long before marriage and remained close friends throughout the years to the end.

For the past five years, Kim had found companionship in Wade, her beloved Golden Doodle, who will be well cared for by her daughters.

Through her roles in teaching, coaching, officiating (10-year Junior National Referee), and contributing to the Miami Heat, Kim cultivated a diverse and extensive network of friends who will feel the void left by her passing. Her legacy lives on in the hearts of those fortunate enough to know and love her. We will miss you, Kim!

– Darin Clark Florida Officials Chair

Dear National, Junior National, and Zonal Officials,

We had an exciting two weekends at the Sunshine Qualifier. Thank you for your hard work. This was the best event yet at Sunshine with the lowest number of protests and a high number of positive comments from our players, coaches and clubs. Thank you to all the National-level referees who came and made this event successful.

Exciting News! Junior National Referee Candidate Camp

Spread the word to your regional referee friends. USA Volleyball is hosting our Regional Referee Camp for 2025 Junior National Referee Candidates at Girls Junior National Championship (14-17), July 8-11, in Las Vegas.

We will be hosting 40 referees and giving them valuable insights from our National and Junior National Coaching Staff. This will give them a head start on their 2025 Junior National Candidate techniques and training.

Feel free to forward this information on the registration process. Scroll to Applications, Junior National Referee Applications, Regional Referee Camp for Prospective 2025 Junior National Referee Candidates.

Indoor Candidate Programs

The deadline is approaching for the Junior National Referee Candidate Program.

Junior National Referee applications must be submitted to your region officials chair by March 15, 2024.

For Junior National Referee candidates, all coursework must be completed by March 15, 11:59 p.m. PT.

Find all information on the Junior National Programs. Scroll to Applications and select Junior National application.

2024 Rules Interpretations

Rules Interpretations #3 is out with important information regarding protests, back-row setter, and we are still calling egregious doubles in USA Volleyball.

Visit our **Rulebooks page** to access the new Rules Interpretation. Scroll to Indoor Casebook, Indoor Critical Rules, Points of Emphasis, and Rules Interpretations. Select 2023-24 Rules Interpretation 3 – March 2024.

USA Volleyball Officials Academy

The third Nationals Officials Academy Clinic is coming March 27.

Junior National and National Referees will find the registration link in your USAV Academy account under course US24_504 USAV National Officials Clinic.

For information on how to log in to the Academy please **use this link**, scroll to "Important Materials for Indoor Referees," "Sports Engine and USAV Academy," and "USAV Academy Log-in Instructions."

Register for future clinics.

- March 27, 2024, 6 p.m. MDT – "Managing Coach and Bench Behavior"
- April 24, 2024, 6 p.m. MDT – "Preparing for the USA Volleyball National Championships"

Unable to make it live? The USAV 2024 National Officials Clinic videos are contained in a separate course (US24_505 2024 USAV National Officials Clinic - Video Recordings) and have been placed in every Junior National Referee, National Referee and National Scorer's USAV Academy. Please use this course to watch any of the clinics you are not able to attend live.

Attendance at USA Volleyball National Events

Please note that when you register to attend a USAV nationally-owned event you must be available for the whole session without conflict. It's important that once you are accepted to attend, you block these dates in your calendar to be able to attend.

When you drop out a few weeks before the event, this puts the event in a hard place. For our events, we are having to turn away referees as we are full, so if you are then unable to attend a couple weeks out that means someone else was turned away who could have worked the event.

National Event Registration

REGISTRATION FOR REMAINING NATIONAL EVENTS IS OPEN NOW IN AES – WE NEED YOU – Your participation is critical to the success of these events.

MANDATORY: For proper sizing of VIK, please update your profiles in AES and your current certification.

[Find online events and register in AES.](#)

- **Salt Lake City Showdown**, April 6-8 and April 12-14 - Acceptances will happen immediately.
- **Girls Junior National Championship** (11s-13s), June 21-24 – Acceptances will happen within two weeks of registration for Junior National and National Referees.
- **Girls Junior National Championship** (14s-17s), July 3-11 – Acceptances for GJNC will happen within two weeks of registration for Junior National and National Referees.

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