

2018

Iowa Region Championships
March 10-11



WELCOME

Welcome to the 2018 Iowa Junior Regional Volleyball Championships. We are excited to be back in Des Moines for our weekend championship events. We hope you enjoy the tournament!

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TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

Team Registration/Check-In

For All Divisions: Check-in will take place at Drake University. If there are known changes please be there 45 minutes prior to playing.

1. You must bring **TWO** copies of your **Tm2Sign** roster to check in.
 - o Verify all players and coaches are listed and have correct jersey numbers for those that will be in attendance that weekend.
 - o Take to Championship Desk to be stamped (Take a copy & leave a copy).
 - o Last minute additions will have to produce a membership card for proof of registration.
 - o Rosters must be verified on TM2Sign.
2. Similar to other National Events, you will be required to give your roster to the official at the start of each match.

For ALL Teams, each member on the roster will receive a complimentary Bag Tag Souvenir. Tags will be distributed to coaches at check-in.

General Tournament Information

The tournament is divided into multiple rounds depending on how many are in each pool and which division you are in. Match start times may be accelerated only if both coaches, officiating teams, and officials agree. For purpose of determining forfeits, the scheduled time is the match time and any forfeit may only occur at the scheduled starting time. **All teams are responsible for determining when they will play or work their next match.**

Results and Schedule Information

Complete posting of the results and next round of play will be done on the Tm2Sign website at www.tm2sign.com. This is the official schedule. There will be no paper posting of pool results at any site. Check the internet for all results, you may use the Results Look Up Stations at the various facilities.

Advancement Procedures

The Tm2Sign system advances teams on USAV Protocol.

Tie Breaking Procedures

A tie-breaking set will be 1 set to 25 pts, switching sides at 13 pts.

NON-QUALIFYING REGIONALS There will be no tie-breaking sets. Head to Head ties will be broken by the head to head played in pool play. In three-way ties, ties will be broken, without repetition, in this order:

1. Pool match record
2. Head-to-head results
3. Set percentage (sets won divided by total sets played).
4. Point percentage (each team's total points scored divided by the total points scored by the teams' opponents in that pool).
5. Coin Toss

QUALIFYING REGIONALS If there is a tie in match record among 2 or more teams in the pool, tie(s) will be resolved using the GJNC National Tie Break Rules. Even in 3 team pools where all 3 sets are required to be played, match record – not set record – will determine a team's finish in the pool.

TWO-WAY TIES: 2 TEAMS TIED IN MATCH RECORD There will be no tie breaker sets.

1. The first place team will be the team that won the pool play match between the 2 tied teams (head-to-head).
 - a. This is the procedure for all two-way ties, even when one team might still win a bid.

THREE-WAY TIES: WHERE NO TEAM CAN ADVANCE TO WIN A BID There will be no tie breaker sets. Ties among teams will be resolved as follows: If 3 or more teams are tied in match record; the ties are broken by applying the following steps, in order, without repeating any step.

1. Head-to-head results will not be used at any time in breaking a three-way tie:
2. Determine each team's set percentage (divide each team's total sets won in the pool by the total sets played)
 - a. The team with the highest set percentage is first.
3. If some or all of the teams have the same set percentage, then determine the point percentage of the teams that are still tied (divide each team's total points scored by the total points scored by all the team's opponents in that pool).
 - a. Of the teams still tied, the team with the highest point percentage has the next highest finish in the pool (finishes either first or second, depending on the outcome of the set percentage).
4. If two or more teams are still tied: Coin toss.

THREE-WAY TIES: WHERE 1 OR MORE TEAMS MAY ADVANCE TO WIN A BID *FAILURE TO BE READY TO PLAY OR WORK MAY RESULT IN FORFEIT OF YOUR SEED OR POOL FINISH. There are several scenarios in which three-way ties can occur. The resolution for each tie breaker scenario depends on both the

number of teams that can advance to win a bid from the pool, AND which pool finish position is at stake for the tied teams.

THREE-WAY TIE WHEN TWO TEAMS WILL ADVANCE

1. First place will be decided by non-playing tie break criteria.
2. The 2nd and 3rd place teams will play a one set match to 25pts (switch at 13), with the 1st place team as the work team for that match.

THREE-WAY TIE WHEN ONE TEAM WILL ADVANCE

The teams will be seeded using the above criteria (Match %, Set %, and Point %)

1. 1st seeded team will receive a bye to the second round
2. 2nd and 3rd seeded teams will have a ONE set playoff to determine who advances to the second round of playoffs. The #1 seeded team will be the work crew for this match.
3. The winner of the first playoff match will play the #1 seed to determine who will receive the final spot for advancement. The loser of the first match MUST be the work crew for the next playoff match.

ALL TEAMS

Before leaving the site, be sure you check your position in the pool on Tm2Sign. Site Directors will NOT be held accountable for miscommunications or schedule interpretations. The official tournament posting on the internet /results stations are the only source that will be considered should a dispute arise. **These results are updated as soon as the scores have been recorded by the system.**

Warm-Up Procedures

For all matches during the event, warm-up time will be 2-4-4. 2 minutes for shared ball handling, 4 minutes for the serving team to have the entire court, 4 minutes for the receiving team to have the entire court. **Teams are only allowed to ball handle on assigned court, at assigned times. Teams are not allowed to warm-up in the free space or other free courts while the other team has their 4 minutes.** No ball handling is allowed in any other part of the site. Disallowed ball handling results in a warning, follow by ball taken away (parent or coach may retrieve) and then loss of the volleyball.

Trainers

Trainers are on duty. They will attend to players free of charge. However, each player must provide their own supplies (tape, pre-wrap, etc.). Players are encouraged to talk with the trainers if they have a problem or question. All injuries should be reported to the trainer's station or Site Director's desk and incident reports filled out by the trainer and signed by the coach or trainer. All coaches are required to have their players Emergency Medical Release Forms with them at all times.

Food & Drink in all Sites

NO food or drink allowed into the facilities. Please leave all coolers and food outside the facilities. We ask that coolers remain in your vehicle. Absolutely no food allowed on the Sport Court surfaces or court areas at any of the facilities. Teams which violate this rule will be removed from the event venue. Spectators which violate this rule will be asked to leave the facility.

We have great facilities. That said, we want to make sure these sites are available in the future. To ensure future use team areas and benches must be cleaned after each match. **Please remind your players to clean up any water bottles that may be left behind.**

Awards

Bracket winners and runner-up will receive awards.

Bids

All age Divisions will receive one (1) National and one (1) American Bid. All bid winners must report to Championship Desk to sign for your bid. We also ask that all third and fourth place teams report to Championship as well for additional information.

Be prepared to accept the bid at the event!

TEAM AND PLAYER POLICIES

Officiating Assignments

Teams are required to officiate as noted on **Tm2Sign**. Teams who are officiating must be on court 10 minutes prior to match time. First referees will be provided. Teams must supply a down referee, lines people, and scorers. At this event R1's and R2's are supplied. In five team pools where the pool is playing on two courts the officiating team must supply enough workers for both courts. At a minimum the work crew must have four (4) line judges, two (2) scorers and two (2) Libero Trackers / Visual Scorer. Each team is required to have an adult at the score table. The adult must be a USA member, passed background screen, and SafeSport Certified. The only exception will be in five team pools using two courts where the adult must oversee both courts.

On Sunday, pay close attention to your work assignments. Since most places are being played out either a losing team or winning team may have to officiate the preceding or next match on that court.

Check the schedule carefully to see if you are the assigned team to ref the first bracket match on Sunday.

Missed Officiating Duties

A team's failure to have a complete officiating crew, including a rostered coach or certified adult, for that team, available and on time for a match officiating assignment will result in the team losing 1 point per minute for up to 25 points, and will be awarded to the team's next opponent, even if the team is designed to officiate misses the entire match. The clock begins to run at the completion of the final 4 minutes of warm ups. A team will forfeit its entire next match for failing, a second time, to have an officiating crew available, on time, for an officiating assignment.

This penalty does not apply to a team that misses a 3 way tiebreak because of leaving a site before the determination that a tiebreak is necessary, unless the team misses an officiating assignment for the match following the tiebreak, or a team leaves after playing the first tiebreak game but before officiating the second tiebreak game. Losing the opportunity to advance by not being present for the tiebreak is considered the penalty for the team.

Thank you and good luck!