



REGION REF BULLETIN

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Feedback sought from Region officials



As we get towards the end of the 2022-2023 Badger Region events season, and we head towards the May 10 Badger Region Board of Directors meeting, we wanted to gather some information from officials.

Please take a few minutes to give us your feedback via [this survey](#) on various aspects of officiating and Badger Region. This information will be shared with the Board of Directors without names attached.

Only Executive Director Jennifer Armson-Dyer will have access to the survey with

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names attached, except in instances where the official states it is OK to be contacted by a board member regarding their responses.

Have questions? Contact Jen at jarmsondyer@badgervolleyball.org.

Thank you for your time!

Tips to track your expenses, mileage, payments received

As a volleyball official, managing your schedule and tracking your expenses is crucial to ensure smooth operations and accurate financial management, including tax records. Utilizing effective tools, such as Microsoft Excel, Google Sheets, Mac Numbers, or other similar software, can greatly simplify and streamline these processes.

Here are some tips on how to efficiently track your schedule and expenses using these tools. Several officials have shared their spreadsheet as examples of how to track. Thanks Rick Jones, Shane Hubred and others for helping with these tips.

1. Create a Schedule Template: Creating a schedule template in Excel, Sheets, or Numbers can be a valuable tool to keep track of your upcoming games, record your expenses and mileage and whether you have been paid. You can customize the template to suit your needs, including details such as match dates, locations, start times, match counts, miles traveled, and officiating fees. Use conditional formatting or color-coding to easily identify important information, such as conference,

2023 USAV										
Date	Site	Event	Start Time	No. of Matches	Paid	Payment Method / Date	Carpool	Notes	Rountrip Mileage	
March 25	Wisconsin Center - Milwaukee	Badger Region Championships #3	8:00	10	\$634	3/31 - Bill.com D / D	w/ Gary & John; John drove.	Overnight at the Hilton Hotel 2 nights, roomed w/ Gary. \$33 / match; \$20 / day food on check.	Room for Gary	162
March 26			8:00	8						
April 1	Center Court (Waukesha)	Badger Region Power League #3 Girls 16s	8:00	10	\$627	4/XX - Bill.com D / D	w/ Gary; Gary drove.	Overnight at the Sheraton Milwaukee Brookfield. BR paid for hotel, roomed w/ Gary. \$33 / match.	\$101.64	130
April 2			8:00	9						

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
	Date	Category	Payer	Description	MC	Debit	Credit	Paid	RTM	RTMW	MAIE	Lodg	Notes
2	01/25/2022			Earplugs		13.00							Amazon
3	04/20/2022			2 whistles		22.00							Amazon
4	05/25/2022			Pants		30.00							PayPal
5	07/14/2022			WBO, PAVO, NCAA memberships		190.00							Chase CC
6	10/05/2022			USAV & Badger Region memberships		56.00							Chase CC
7	10/05/2022			Background screening		14.00							Chase CC
8	10/05/2022			AAU Membership		20.00							Chase CC
9													
10	01/23/2022	CLUB	AP	Prep Dig Resolution - Community First Champion Center - 2 day	13		469	Y	196	108.81	148		Meal Per Diem: 59 + 44.25x2
11	02/11/2022	LJ	CS	Cardinal Stretch			85	Y	29	16.97			
12	02/12/2022	CLUB	BR	BRRL - Rec Plex		8	256	Y	106	62.01			
13	02/13/2022	CLUB	BR	BRRL - Rec Plex		8	256	Y	106	62.01			
14	04/02/2022	Mens	MSOE	MSOE		1	165	Y	36	21.06			

assignor, car pool, etc.

2. Record Expenses: It's essential to track your expenses to ensure you can manage your finances effectively for tax purposes. Include or create a separate sheet or tab in your workbook to record your expenses, including items such as travel expenses, uniform costs, membership and registration fees, meals, and other miscellaneous costs.

3. Utilize Formulas and Functions: Excel offers powerful formulas and functions that can simplify calculations and auto-

mate tasks.

4. Keep Track of Mileage: If you use your personal vehicle for officiating, track your mileage, including the date, destination, purpose of the trip, and miles driven. You can also use online tools or mobile apps to automatically calculate mileage using GPS data or other tracking methods.

5. Regularly Update and Review: It's important to regularly update your schedule and expense tracking sheets to ensure they are accurate and up-to-date. As you receive new assignments

or incur expenses, be diligent in recording them promptly. Review your schedule and expenses periodically to identify any discrepancies or issues and address them promptly to avoid any financial or scheduling errors.

In conclusion, efficient schedule and expense tracking are essential for volleyball officials to effectively manage their assignments and finances. Utilizing tools such as Excel or other similar software can greatly simplify and streamline these processes. By creating a schedule template, recording expenses, utilizing formulas and functions, keeping track of mileage, regularly updating and reviewing, and backing up your data, you can effectively manage your schedule and expenses and ensure accurate financial management. Happy officiating!



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Tips for officials who seek to advance

As officials look to advance to their next level of certification — whether it be from Regional to Junior National or Junior National to National ratings, the little nuances of officiating come into play.

At right are tips that all officials can use to better assist their partners and help the game run smooth. Good luck to all of the Badger Region officials seeking advancement in the near future.

For details on advancing for next season, contact Badger Region Program Specialist and Ref Assigner Sara Voigt at sara@badger-volleyball.org.

Notes & Points of Emphasis for Candidates

Match preparation:

- Check equipment (antenna alignment, etc); ensure court is clear
- Roster check – Libero jersey contrast – uniform check (must be worn or visible on bench)
- Jewelry – long, dangling necklaces (&/or medallions); large, hoop earrings

Working with scorers:

- Location of score table (space for R2 to transition – move if needed; no “extra” players around table)
- “Ready” signal from scorer (after subs & noting next server), and Libero in/out from asst scorer
- R2 should visually note Libero in/out when time-out is called, then confirm with asst scorer

Working with line judges:

- Know when to look for information vs when to look to affirm a decision
- When ball is close, “check in” with your line judge(s); keeps them in the game
- Clearly in/out/touch, signal while confirming (quick glance) with LJ

Game awareness:

- “Feel the room” – Appropriate calls? Too tight for level of play? Missed something obvious? Use all your senses to conduct the match
- Interference decisions for errant ball, etc.; not automatic replay – know where the playing action is happening; replay may not be necessary

Injury Situations:

- Know the team’s/coach’s options: “reasonable amount of time”, sub, time-out, Libero, exceptional sub
- Study USAV 17.1, also 15.7; also Blood & Concussion Guidelines (page 208, 2021-2023 Rulebook)

Mechanics/Signals:

- Review pgs 104-116 in 2021-2023 Rulebook
- R2 controls substitution procedure, the substitutes do not; they must pause at sideline
- No display of time-out info at end of time-out
- Centering at end of rally; proper timing & duration
- Whistle use – do not overlap whistle with a signal (beckon or loss of rally)
- No “safe” signal (back-row plays) if no one questions the play
- Avoid “walking help signals” by R2; R1’s view of help signals not obstructed by net pole

Second referee transition:

- Typically transition on contact of serve; do not lag or wait for first pass
- Start closer to extension of centerline on serve receive (but not behind net pole)
- Suggestion: Be on blocking team’s side BEFORE setter makes second contact
- Know when fast, tight net play means you should stay in position instead of transitioning

Second referee:

- Have confidence & a presence; be assertive (with information) when needed
- Supporting R1 decision vs getting call right for the teams – know the difference
- Signal tempo when calling a fault – whistle & ensure play has stopped before signaling fault

Net play:

- USAV National Clinic (2019): nearly 80% of 4-hits (2-hits) calls are touched by the blocker – focus ahead of ball at net plane; more forgivable to allow play to continue than to call “4 hits” in error
- Back-row faults – pay attention to height & position of ball and the “reach” of the back-row player

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Nominations sought for Badger Board

Nominations are being accepted for three spots on the Badger Region Board of Directors: Metro-Milwaukee and two At-Large positions. Nominees for the Metro Milwaukee area must reside in that area.

All nominees must be current full Badger Region adult members in good standing. If you are nominating someone else, please make sure they are aware and approve of the nomination.

All nominations should be submitted via the [PDF form \(here\)](#) to Executive Director Jennifer Armson-Dyer by noon CT on Friday, April 28. The election period will run May 1-10 and will be voted on by current adult members in the Badger Region. Winners will start their term June 1.

For more information on Badger Region Board of Directors structure, job descriptions and elections, please see the [Badger Region by-laws here](#) or reach out to Armson-Dyer at jarmsondyer@badger-volleyball.org.

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Officials deserve recognition for Champs

Thousands of volleyball matches being played means hundreds of officials are needed to be on site and ready to adjust their schedules if courts start running behind, a fellow officials fall ill or have a fender bender on the drive, or an official is just looking for mento-

ring for future advancement. This year, Badger Region Championships had over 90 officials on site helping in some way. Thank you to them and officials assigner Sara Voigt for making the event run so smooth.

Champs Officials
 Adams, Katherine
 Albon, Meagan
 Alt, Eileen
 Arts, James
 Baird, Michael
 Barschdorf, Noah
 Baumeister, Cynthia
 Blank, Becky
 Blocksom, Rich
 Brice, Matt
 Butschlick, John
 Chan, Anthony
 Collar, Patrick
 Como, Aaron
 Couey, Heather
 Crowder, Larry
 Dahmen, Randy
 Dawson, Patti
 De Shaney, Guy
 Duvall, Lexy
 Flasch, Justin
 Galarza, David
 Gasper, Rebecca
 Gianniou, Izzy
 Gille, Nancy
 Grycowski, Amy
 Guzman, Idalis
 Heiden, Whitney
 Heltemes, Dennis
 Hubred, Shane
 Huening, Dave
 Janan, Ezekiel

Jalan, Tony
 Jonas, Joey
 Jones, Rick
 Kaczmarek, Kristin
 Kapalko, Mya
 Klatt, Aliina
 Kolash, Ron
 Kosoris, Michael
 Krivitz, Kyle
 Lambert, Anthony
 Landolt, MacKenzie
 LeCaptain, Bill
 Lehnerz, Jeff
 Little, Peter
 Marcos, Franklin
 Masloroff, Scott
 Miedema, Gary
 Momsen, Jim
 Moser, Laurie
 Nelson, Emily
 Nelson, John
 Nevoraski, Bill
 Ocker, Jace
 Petersen, Bill
 Peterson, Carter
 Peterson, Eric
 Peterson, Shane
 Phelps, Sally
 Prichard, Teague
 Rath, Beau
 Reynolds, Mickey
 Roob, Parker
 Roob, Ryan



Roob, Tyler
 Roth, John
 Schewe, Jerry
 Schlieder, Tim
 Schoenick, Larry
 Schumann, Scott
 Scott, Jeff
 Selner, Joseph
 Sheldon, Alexis
 Spearo, Phillip
 Stalker, Bonnie
 Tavera, Evan
 Tirado, Jackson
 Tomczyk, Dan
 Torres Rivera,

Francisco
 Torres, Luis
 Tuszkiwicz, Chad
 Wagner, Josh
 Wang, Monica
 Wasserstrass, John
 Watts, Randy
 Williams, Andy
 Witty, Jody

Worked all 3 weekends

Becky Blank
 Jeff Scott

Justin Flasch
 Kyle Krivitz
 Scott Schumann
 Teague Prichard
 Joe Selner
 Dan Tomczyk
 John Wasserstrass
 John Nelson
 Emily Nelson
 Bonnie Stalker
 Rick Jones
 Gary Miedema
 Patrick Collar
 Rich Blocksom
 Bill Nevoraski
 Heather Couey
 Jerry Schewe

Score monitors

Erin Stalker
 Sharon Terry

Lead Refs

Felix Madera
 Jim Momsen

Mentors

Craig Madson
 Felix Madera
 Jim Momsen

Teague Prichard
 John Nelson
 Alexis Sheldon
 Andy Williams

New Provisional Officials

Carter Peterson
 Jason Peterson
 Tony Janan
 Ezekiel Janan
 Ryan Roob
 Parker Roob
 Katherine Adams
 Mya Kapalko
 Aliina Klatt
 Scott Masloroff
 Monica Wang
 Philip Spearo

New Regional Officials

Emily Nelson
 Rebecca Gasper
 Rich Blocksom
 Gary Miedema
 Chad Tuskiewicz
 Guy DeShaney

Nominations being sought for those 'Caught Doing Good'

The Badger Region is looking forward to opportunities to feature athletes, coaches, officials and fans in the pages of our newsletter and on our website and social media.

Here's where you can come in. You can also nominate someone for our Caught Doing Good program.

This is for those fans, coaches, officials, players, etc. who go above and beyond.

They are the ones who stay after practice and clean the gym. They are the ones who put in the extra half hour to help after practice if someone needs added training. They are the ones you go to get stuff done.

Let's recognize the folks who are doing things the right way and setting a great example for athletes at all events. And let's encourage one another to pay it forward and discourage poor sportsmanship or behavior on the court or off.

To fill out a CDG nomination and see previous winners, click

here: <https://badgervolleyball.org/caught-doing-good/>.

All winners and the folks who nominated them will get Badger Region apparel and other swag.

The deadline for nominations will be April 30, 2023.

Questions? Email brian@badgervolleyball.org.