



REGION REF BULLETIN

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Peterson shares JN experience

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I chose to attempt to get my Junior National patch for two reasons; as I always want to be at the top of anything I do and because it would challenge me to be better through the training and continued education. I love coaching at all levels, especially college as it allows me to work with some of the best in the field.

As I attended many qualifiers and Nationals with my club teams, I have seen many amazing National-Level referees, and I loved how easy they made it look to referee, no

matter the type of match. I spoke with many of these referees as I worked with them and asked them what they thought of the process and they spoke highly of the training opportunity. They were spot-on as the process was a wonderful educational process.

Not only were we evaluated, we had the opportunity to work with high level officials who gave us great feedback and how to be better and then were always encouraging when we demonstrated their suggestions. Even if I didn't succeed in receiving my JN, I knew I had learned a lot. It is for these reasons I am looking to continue on and attempt to get my National certification as well. Do not hesitate to reach out to me if you have any questions on the process. I loved it.



Officials pre-season meetings

Badger Region officials should plan to attend one of the following meetings:

* **Nov. 13:** 1 p.m. at QRG, 2885 S. Calhoun Road, New Berlin ([register here](#))

* **Nov. 20:** 1 p.m. virtual meeting ([register here](#))

* **Dec. 11:** 1p.m. virtual meeting ([register here](#))

More details to follow

Ref modules now online

Badger Region In-Training, Provisional and Regional officials modules are live and ready for viewing in the USAV Academy.

When selecting the appropriate modules for viewing, please select the modules under your "current" certification. If you want to view more than the minimum modules assigned under your certification that is allowed. However please complete the modules listed under your certification first. They are not automatically assigned to you once you renew your membership. You must register for them separately in the academy under the appropriate certification.

How does one access the USAV Academy?

1. Log in to Sports Engine
2. Click on "household"
3. Click on your profile
4. Click "View Details" on the Badger Region tile
5. Click "USAV Academy" in the upper right corner

If you need help or have any questions, please reach out to Sara Voigt at sara@badgervolleyball.org.

ONLINE STORE OPEN



Branded apparel available now

Want to show your support for the Badger Region? Looking for gifts that will be available before the holiday season. Burghardt Sporting Goods has you covered.

The Badger Region online store which features tons of apparel from hats to hoodies and quarter zips to joggers is now open through 11:59 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 30.

Check out the store by [clicking here](#).

Items can be branded with the Badger Region logo or a Badger Region Official logo for refs and scorers in the Region.

Have questions? Email scott@badgervolleyball.org.

A few notes on uniform checks

As an official, it's our jobs to make sure teams have jerseys that meet the rules printed in the DCR. The Badger Region has made an "approval" process available to all club directors to make sure their uniforms in compliance before they move ahead with the ordering process.

If a team has questions about the legality of uniforms for Badger Region sanctioned events, they have been encouraged to upload the photos to <https://badgervolleyball.org/jerseys>.

If a team receives approval for their jerseys, the Region will send them an email confirmation of the jersey approval. If you are questioning their jerseys for legality, ask for the email confirmation to help you alleviate any possible headaches that could arise upon confronting the team for a possible uniform violation.

Teams attending national events such as Nationals or Qualifiers should send their jerseys questions to a separate site ([click here](#)). Club directors have been asked to share with the Region any correspondence they have with the National office regarding jersey questions to make sure that we are aware of their decisions.

Have questions about jersey approval? Email sara@badgervolleyball.org.



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Donations sought for ref-starter kits

The Badger Region wants to thank the experienced officials who have donated to the ref-starter kits being put together for new officials in Wisconsin.

Your generosity is appreciated.

That being said, the Region is continuing to collect gently used officiating items that can be used to build starter kits for new officials just starting off.

Some of the suggested things we

are collecting include:

- * Line judge flags
- * Referee carrying bags
- * Yellow/Red cards
- * Officials polos (maybe you have certain colors you don't like to wear or sizes that you never fit into in your closet)
- * Writing utensils and erasers
- * Correction tape
- * Coolers/lunch boxes
- * Ball pumps

* Electronic whistles

* Net-height chains

All new officials will receive a flipping coin, cooler and some other Badger Region swag. We just want to make it as easy on possible for new referees to get started.

If you want to donate to our ref-starter kits, you can drop off materials to the Badger Region Office (2831 N. Grandview Blvd., Suite 105, in Pewaukee).



Assigning has begun for Region events

The roll out of the Badger Region-hosted events has begun for referees and sign-ups for big tournaments in the Region has begun.

This year, the Badger Region will be giving officials the ability to sign up to officiate Badger Region-hosted events through AES. ZebraWeb will still be used to solidify commitment.

The first round of assignments have gone out for the first weekend of the Badger Region Power League that takes place Jan. 7-8 at locations throughout the state of Wisconsin.

Hotel rooms for those who need it and qualify for them will also be supplied.

A quick reminder about the rates the Badger Region uses for its marquee events (Championships, Power League, Qualifier and Dale Rohde):

- * National: \$35/match
- * Junior National: \$34/match
- * Regional: \$32/match
- * Provisional: \$30/match

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Nov. 1: Boys 15-and-older open house at Pius XI High School

Nov. 3-5: WIAA State Volleyball Tournament at the Resch Center in Green Bay

Nov. 12: Badger Region tryouts for athletes (boys and girls) who are 15-and-older

Dec. 16: Badger Boys Series at the Milwaukee Sting Center

Jan. 7-8: Badger Region Power League Weekend No. 1

Jan. 20: Badger Boys Series at the Milwaukee Sting Center

Feb. 11-12: Badger Region

Power League Weekend No. 2

Feb. 25-26: Badger Region Qualifier (sites TBA)

March 11-12: Badger Region Championships in downtown Milwaukee

March 17-18: Badger Region Championships in downtown Milwaukee

March 25-26: Badger Region Championships in downtown Milwaukee

April 1-2: Final weekend of the Badger Region Power League

Rulebooks posted to site

The USA Volleyball Abridged Indoor Rulebook is now posted online to be downloaded.

For a link to the USA Volleyball Rulebooks and Interpretations, [click here](#).

There, you will find a link to the Indoor Rulebooks (full version and the abridged versions), Uniform approval, Beach Rulebooks and the World ParaVolleyball Rulebooks.

These rulebooks can be downloaded onto your computer or mobile device.

This year's rulebook will expire at the end of the 2022-23 season.

Updates for National and Junior National officials

USAV is planning on many releases and updates on Nov. 1, 2022, for National USAV officials.

Updates include: National dues open, direct deposit forms for National events, information on exams, and much more. USAV has also included

your National certification status in Sports Engine (under credentials). USAV has extended the time frame for maintaining certification requirements from three years to five years (two national events and one qualifier). Look for more on Nov. 1.

WHY BADGER REGION?

A RUNDOWN OF BENEFITS FOR BADGER REGION PARTICIPANTS

ATHLETE PERKS

- * Ability to participate in the Badger Region Championships, Badger Region Qualifier, Badger Region Power League, Badger Region Youth Fall Volleyball League, Badger Boys Series, Dale Rohde Memorial Tournament

- * Ability to participate in youth clinics, beach events, grass tournaments, etc.



- * Participate in USA Volleyball's National Qualifiers, Bid Tournaments and National Championships

- * Represent Badger Region through the National Team Development Program

- * Represent Badger Region at the USA All-Star Championships

- * Eligible for Badger Region / Frisco Mo Scholarships

- * Communication via the Badger Beacon newsletter
- * Free NTDP Academy access for athlete training
- * Free memberships for athletes 8-and-under
- * Player/club matching assistance at the start of the season
- * Directory of summer volleyball camp opportunities
- * Badger Region / AVCA Recruiting Tips of the Week, webinars
- * Chance to be on the Badger Region / Frisco Mo Watchlists



CLUB PERKS

- * Policies and procedures for all clubs to be consistent
- * Guidelines and handbooks for running tournaments
- * Mentoring, training for club directors
- * 24/7 service and help before, during and after your season
- * Templates for club, parent handbooks and tryouts/club acceptance forms
- * Personalized feedback to uniform and jersey questions
- * Partnerships with sponsors such as Molten, Sports Imports, Art of Coaching, AVCA and others
- * Advocacy at the National level

ATHLETE-SAFETY PROTOCOLS

SAFESPORT TRAINING

The safety of its participants is of paramount importance to USA Volleyball. Badger Region and USA Volleyball have a **ZERO TOLERANCE** for abuse and misconduct. This includes not only on-court safety, but also off-court safety in any part of USA Volleyball's programs.



U.S. CENTER FOR
SAFESPORT

USA Volleyball is committed to creating safe and fun environments for youth. This includes, but is not limited to, providing training, educational materials and resources for our regions, clubs, coaches and parents. [\(Click for details\)](#)

BACKGROUND SCREENINGS

All adult staff members require a full background screening that includes the following:

- * Social Security Number validation;
- * Name and address history records;
- * Two independent Multi-Jurisdictional Criminal Database searches covering 50 states plus DC, Guam, and Puerto Rico;
- * Federal District Courts search for each name used and district where the individual currently lives or has lived during the past seven years, going back the length of time records are available and reportable;
- * County Criminal Records for each name used and county where the individual currently lives or has lived during the past seven years, going back the length of time records are available and reportable for each county searched;
- * National Sex Offender Registry database search of all available states, plus DC, Guam, and Puerto Rico;
- * Multiple National Watch Lists;
- * SafeSport Disciplinary Records;
- * Comprehensive International Records search for U.S. citizens who have lived outside of the United States for six consecutive months in any one country, during the past seven years;
- * Motor Vehicle Records of at least a 3-year history in the state of licensure; (if driving is required for position).

COACH PERKS

- * IMPACT certification
- * Coaches Coaching Coaches opportunities
- * High Performance coaching opportunities
- * Coaching vacancies list
- * Art of Coaching Volleyball membership (limited number available)
- * Badger Region / AVCA Coaching Tips of the Week
- * Eligible for Badger Region / AVCA awards

REFEREE PERKS

- * Training opportunities exist in the classroom, scrimmages, Badger Region Youth Fall Volleyball League, Badger Boys Series etc.

- * Mentoring and advancement opportunities throughout the year

- * Dedicated full-time staff dedicated to assigning, training, recruiting and working with officials in the Badger Region office

- * Communication via the Badger Region Ref Bulletin

- * Once certified, officials can earn \$30 (or more per match)

- * At Badger Region hosted events, rates are as follows:
 - * Provisional: \$30/match

- * Regional: \$32/match

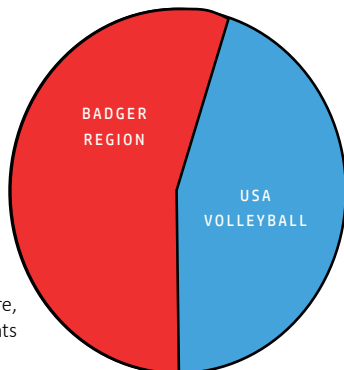
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MEMBERSHIP COSTS BREAKDOWN

\$30 of the full \$55 membership stays in the Badger Region to pay for coaching education, officials education, youth clinics, grants, scholarships, equipment, programs, services (Sports Engine, rostering, eligibility), tournaments, clinics, High Performance, region infrastructure, staff and supplies for Region events and much more.



\$25 of the full \$55 membership goes to the USA Volleyball National office to pay for sport accident and liability insurance, training materials created for the purpose of national coaching/officiating, national database and membership services (Sports Engine) and National Office staff and office needs.

