

# USA VOLLEYBALL 2021 NATIONAL BEACH TOUR JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHPS COVID-19 PROCEDURES

## Message from USA Volleyball:

Due to the ever-changing nature of the COVID-19 pandemic, COVID-19 guidelines and restrictions are included below. Safety First is a strategic priority of USA Volleyball, and as such, our priority will be to ensure the safety of all participants. With that – we acknowledge that the situation surrounding the pandemic will evolve as we move closer to the start date of the event. We will do our best to keep you apprised of any updates and changes as they occur.

As with all exercise and activity at this time, USA Volleyball must comply with standards for social distancing and safety within this event. We know, with collaboration between USA Volleyball coaches, public health officials, and facility operators we can create safe plans for using the Fort Lauderdale Beach venue in compliance with public health directives. Proper operation and maintenance (including disinfection of balls post-match, and sanitizing common areas should help to keep athletes, coaches, and staff safe).

**Due to the nature of this being a National Event, the following guidelines must be followed.**

## USA Volleyball - COVID-19 Guide for Training and Competition Plan for Fort Lauderdale Beach

- **Before Arriving Each Day:** All athletes, coaches, referees, staff, and spectators are required to read the COVID-19 updates, or any information provided regarding the operational procedures that will take place during the event.

## Expectations for Athletes, Coaches, Officials, and Staff:

- **DO NOT COME ARRIVE FOR COMPETITION IF YOU ARE SICK!**
- Complete the Health Screening Survey prior to arrival on site each day: [\(Add LINK\)](#)
- Any member should refrain from attending the event until they are able to answer **NO** to each question:
  1. Have you tested positive for COVID-19, or are you presumptively positive for COVID-19 based on your health care provider's assessment or your symptoms?
  2. Are you currently experiencing, or have you experienced in the past 14 days, any of the following symptoms? *(Please take your temperature before you answer this question)*
    - Fever or chills (*100.4° F/ 37.8° C or greater as measured by an oral thermometer*)
    - Cough
    - Congestion or runny nose
    - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
    - Sore throat
    - New loss of taste or smell
    - Chills
    - Headache
    - Muscle, or body aches
    - Fatigue
    - Nausea, diarrhea, or vomiting
    - Bright red (or any) rash

3. In the past 14 days, have you been in close proximity to anyone who was experiencing any of the above symptoms or has experienced any of the above symptoms since your contact?
4. In the past 14 days, have you been in close proximity to anyone who has tested positive for COVID-19?
5. Have you been tested for COVID-19 and are waiting to receive test results?
6. In the past 14 days, based on the above or other symptoms, have you been told by any doctor, medical professional, or other authority to self-quarantine for any reason?

**Medical:** Medical Services will be available on site via Athletic Trainers.

**Ingress and Egress, and Cleaning Protocols:**

- **Venue Entry & Exit:** Athletes, coaches, officials, staff and volunteers will enter the venue using the designated main entrance (west side). Anyone experiencing any of the symptoms mentioned above should not come to the venue.
- **Hand Sanitation Stations:** Hand sanitation stations will be available throughout the venue during the course of the event. Participants and spectators are encouraged to use them.
- **Garbage:** Garbage cans will be available throughout the venue.
- **Equipment:** All equipment used at the tournament will be sanitized prior to, and during the event. Officials will follow and help to enforce all COVID-19 guidelines.

**USA Volleyball & Fort Lauderdale Beach Procedures that will be enforced:**

- **Restrooms:** Athletes, coaches, officials, staff, and spectators will have access to the restrooms are encouraged to always keep a six feet distance.
- **Water Station:** Athletes, coaches, officials, and staff will have access to a water station and are required to always keep a six feet distance.
- **Face Coverings:** Everyone is encouraged to wear face coverings or face mask to enter and exit the venue, and while at the venue, with the exception of athletes during playing. Face mask must cover face and nose. **EVERYONE MUST** wear a face covering when approaching or speaking to event staff or officials.

- Athletes, coaches, officials, staff, and volunteer will NOT be allowed to congregate before, during or after the matches. Everyone will be asked to vacate the venue or parking lot as soon as possible once their matches are over.

### **Spectator Guidelines**

- **Spectator:** Spectators will be allowed at the venue at a **minimum** of six feet away from all courts. Only coaches, athletes, officials and volunteers will be allowed within the competition area.

### **Physical Distancing Guidelines**

- **Physical Distancing:** Everyone attending the event must follow social distancing guidelines (at least 6 feet apart) except for members of the same household. Competition areas will be marked with ball stops and banners and all spectators will only be allowed behind those marked lines.
- **Court Side-Switch:** Athletes will be asked to go out and around the poles, on opposite side of the court during a side-switch and adhere to all social distancing protocols.
- **Before and After Matches:** Before their scheduled match, teams will be required to go to the officials tent to retrieve sanitized balls for practice and competition. After their match, teams must take their volleyballs to the officials' tent for sanitation. Upon completion of their matches for the day teams will be asked to leave the venue.