Florida Region of USA Volleyball



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## Florida Region Membership Verification for Junior Athletes

Due to increased participation of youth/junior athletes relocating to Florida from an outside federation, including Puerto Rico (PUR), the Florida Region has prepared this document to ensure that Florida Region clubs are following FIVB/USAV policy on athlete eligibility. Note: FIVB restricts athletes from being affiliated with more than one National Volleyball Federation at any given time.

Youth/junior athletes must meet the below requirements to be official members of the Florida Region of USA Volleyball:

- Parent or legal guardian must have a permanent/physical address residing within the Florida Region. (A PO Box will not meet this requirement)
- Junior athlete must be enrolled in a Florida school within the Florida Region at the time a Florida Region membership is purchased.

The Florida Region may request any/all of the below required documents as proof of Florida Region residency for an athlete coming from any other federation, including PUR:

- Proof of residency by parent of athlete. Must provide one of the following documents:
  - o Current Florida Driver's License
  - o Signed lease agreement or proof of mortgage
  - Utility or phone bill with address in FL Region
  - Any other government issued document as requested
- Proof of enrollment in a Florida school. Must provide one of the following:
  - Most recent report card from a Florida school
  - Enrollment verification in a Florida school at the time a Florida Region membership is purchased

Note: Legal guardian may also provide documentation above but must also include legal documentation proving guardianship for junior athlete.

Any youth/junior athlete that is currently attending school and playing club in/for another federation is not eligible to become a member of the Florida Region.

If it is found that the athlete has purchased a USAV membership but is unable to provide documents requested above, their USAV membership will be placed on Region Hold and they will be unable to participate in any USAV sanctioned events. No refunds will be available for these memberships.

If an ineligible youth/junior athlete participates in a USAV sanctioned event in the Florida Region, the athlete and club will be subject to sanctions & penalties as outlined in the USAV Championship Manual.