

Tournament Information & Rules

SCHEDULES: Will be posted on AES.

CHECK-IN PROCESS:

TEAM check-in will be conducted exclusively online via AES. Paper rosters will not be accepted. Teams must upload their rosters to AES as part of the check-in process. Once a team has checked in, its roster will be locked. If you need help making changes to your roster after check-in, please contact B.J. Golden at admin@lrjuniors.com.

Coaches must check-in at the front registration desk before entering the playing area to pick up their access wristband.

No hospitality suite will be available for coaches.

LOCATION OF COURTS:

Gametime at the Grounds – Courts 1-12
300 Champions Drive
Cabot, AR 72023

FACILITY RULES FOR ALL SITES:

- ***WARMUP BALLS ARE PROVIDED BY FACILITY. NO OUTSIDE BALLS ARE ALLOWED.**
- *No outside food, drinks, or coolers.
- *No outside chairs allowed.
- *Do not block walkways with personal items, spectators or teams waiting to play.
- *Ball handling in the hallways is prohibited at all times.
- *No boom boxes, iPhones or any other devices are to be used to play music.

ADMISSIONS:

Doors open at 7:00 AM

Tickets must be purchased at the door with cash or credit/debit card only.

WEEKEND WRISTBAND:

Adult (over 14): Card: \$21 / Cash: \$20
Youth (age 11-13): Card: \$11 / Cash: \$10

DAILY WRISTBAND:

Adult (over 14): Card: \$16 / Cash: \$15
Youth (age 11-13): Card: \$6 / Cash: \$5
AGES 10 AND UNDER: FREE

TRAINER: The athletic trainer onsite will commonly provide the following services.

1. **Injury Evaluation:** Assess acute injuries such as ankle sprains, knee injuries, finger injuries, concussions, or muscle strains. Decide if an athlete should return to play, sit out, or be referred for medical care.
2. **Immediate Care & First Aid:** Provide short-term care such as ice, compression, or stabilization.

TOURNAMENT RULES:

- All USAV National, Delta Region and facility rules will be enforced. No alcoholic beverages or illicit drugs will be allowed at the Tournament Sites. All facilities are non-smoking, including E-Cigarettes.
- Must have Impact Certified Coach on bench at all times. Anyone on the bench must be a player on that team or an Impact Certified adult with the club.
- 10s-12s will have Volley lites and step-in line available per Delta Region policy.

QUESTIONS ABOUT THE TOURNAMENT FORMAT:

Please arrive on time for your matches or officiating duties. If you have questions about the schedule, send only a coach or team representative to the tournament desk. Schedule and results are posted on AES.

POOLS & BRACKETS:

Pools and brackets will be posted on AES, but last-minute changes may not appear immediately. Teams affected by such changes will be notified via the contact details given during registration.

FORMAT: Teams will NOT change sides of the court during matches

3 Team Pool: 3 Sets to 25, win by 2, NO CAP. Each Set counts as a win or loss.

Note: In cases where there are multiple three-team pools within an age division, crossover matches may occur. Under these circumstances, the four-team pool format will be applied to the pools.

4 Team Pool: Best 2 of 3 Sets to 25, win by 2, NO CAP, 3rd Set to 15, win by 2, NO CAP. Each Match counts as a win or loss.

AGE SPECIFIC RULES: Divisions 10-12 will have a 2-meter step-in line for serving.

NO PURSUIT RULE AT ANY SITES

WARM UP PROCEDURES:

2-4-4: Before your *first match*, teams will share the court for 2 mins (please keep balls on your own side). After the shared time, each team will then get the entire court for 4 mins

(serving must be a part of this time). The team that elects to serve first will get the court first.

PROTESTS:

The captain must promptly submit protests, which are allowed only for rule application, not judgment calls. Judgment call protests may result in a penalty. Officials will report protests to the Site Manager for resolution.

MATCH TIME:

Teams should be ready to begin timed warm-ups right after their previous match finishes, except for their first match of the day. The scheduled time will be used as the match start time unless there is a delay. If all participating teams agree and are prepared, the first match can start up to ten minutes early.

MATCH TIME PENALTIES:

In the Delta Region, a team can play if they have at least four players ready at match time, even if some members are late or absent. If a team does not have four players prepared when the match is set to begin, they forfeit the first set. If, after a ten-minute grace period, the team still lacks four ready players, both the second set and the entire match are forfeited. Exceptions are made for teams busy playing or officiating another match.

OFFICIATING:

- Paid R1 Provided.
- Teams must provide an officiating crew consisting of:
2 line judges, 1 scorekeeper, 1 Libero tracker, 1 score flipper and 1 R2 official
- **In Delta Region a certified adult must be a WORKING member of the officiating team. The certified adult must be participating in officiating and not just sitting at the score table.**
- Most losing teams will referee the match after theirs, usually on the same court. On Sunday - WINNERS may have to officiate. **Look at bracket closely.**

OFFICIATING PENALTIES:

Teams must provide a complete officiating crew for their assigned matches, including two line judges, one scorekeeper, one Libero tracker, one score flipper, and an R2 official. Failure to do so may result in forfeiture of the first set of your next match. For each minute that the officiating crew is late or incomplete, one point will be awarded to the opponent in your following match, up to a maximum of a 25-0 forfeit. Timing begins at the scheduled match start. A second violation will result in forfeiture of your next match.

SUNDAY BRACKET PLAY:

Two matches guaranteed or equivalent. Losing teams usually stay on court to ref next match. In certain brackets winners may be scheduled to Ref losing team's match.

AWARDS:

1st and 2nd place - Individual award for all ages and divisions with a maximum of 12 medals per team.

POOL TIE-BREAKING PROCEDURES:

Tie break matches will not be held; all ties will be settled according to the following protocol. Please remain near the court area until you have confirmed that there are no ties in your pool. This ensures you are present at the correct time for bracket play or referee assignments on Sunday.

All 2-Way Ties will be resolved in the following order-

- a) Head-to-Head Match result
- b) Point spread in Head-to-Head matches
- c) Point differential for complete pool
- d) coin flip

All 3-Way Ties will be resolved in the following order –

- a) Set percentage. Sets won divided by total sets played
- b) Point differential for complete pool
- c) If 2 of the teams are still tied at this point use the 2-Way Tie rules