

EMPIRE

VOLLEYBALL CLUB

Travel Policies 2025-2026 Season

Travel/Practice: Travel to and from club events is the responsibility of each player's family.

Only adults 25 or older will be allowed to drive athletes to tournaments. AT NO TIME WILL ATHLETES BE ALLOWED TO DRIVE THEMSELVES OR OTHER PLAYERS TO TOURNAMENTS.

Travel **outside the region** is pre-planned by the club staff. Teams may be under a "Stay and Play" policy where approved hotels must be used.

It is our goal to make sure all athletes are Student-Athletes first. There are times where tournament travel requires player to miss minimal school. All teams attending any in-state or out-of-state National Qualifiers will miss at least one day of school to participate (travel and or play).

Additional travel fees can be paid online on a monthly or bi-monthly basis.

WCVBA League Events: Parents will be responsible for booking all travel for themselves and their daughters to league events. Coaches' rooms and per diem are included in club dues.

Additional tournaments within the region:

Player travel arranged by parents: Club dues do not include family and player travel and lodging.

Coach travel arranged by Empire Administration: Players will share the costs of tournament entry fees, hotel, and a coaches per diem. Players are responsible for these fees regardless of tournament attendance.

National/Power Team Travel Tournaments outside of our region:

Player, Coach, and Chaperone Travel arranged by Empire Administration: Players will stay together with coaches and/or chaperones. Players will share equally the costs of tournament entry fees, all coaches travel including airfare, hotel and ground transportation, and a coaches per diem for all travel tournaments. Players are responsible for these fees regardless of tournament attendance.

*Any exceptions need to be submitted via the travel survey Google form.

Stay to Play Tournaments:

Stay-and-Play (also called “Support the Sport”) tournaments require teams to use specific housing services to book their accommodations to be eligible to participate in the tournament. The tournaments include but are not limited to:

[AAU Super Regional, Las Vegas](#)

[MLK Invitational, Seattle](#)

[Far Western Junior National Qualifier, Reno](#)

[Salt Lake Showdown, Utah](#)

[Lone Star Junior National Qualifier, Dallas](#)

[AAU Lake Tahoe Invitational](#)

Registration links for these tournaments will be distributed as they become available. When Empire books out-of-region travel for National Teams, we will meet the minimum hotel night requirement, so parents do not have to book at the same hotels. Some exceptions may apply.

Go Empire!