

Gateway Region USAV
2017 Boys 11s-14s Regional Championships
Saturday or Sunday, April 8 or 9, 2017

Location: TBD – Local St. Louis Metro area.

Entry Fee: \$175 per team. Make checks payable to Gateway Region Volleyball.

Entry Deadline: **Monday, March 27, 2017.** All entries that are received in the Gateway Region Office by the deadline will be accepted. After March 14, teams will only be accepted as needed to fill pools. A late fee of \$40 (total entry of \$215) will be assessed to teams accepted after the deadline.

Entry Process: Send a **(1) current webpoint roster** and **(2) check for the entry fee** to: Gateway Region VB, 10075 Bauer Rd, St. Louis, MO 63128.

Format: 11s & 12s will play in a combined 12s division. 13s & 14s will play in a combined 14s division. All divisions will complete pool play with playoffs immediately following. Pool sizes will be determined by number of teams entered, but 3 or 4 team pools are planned. Teams will advance to a playoff bracket based on the pool play results. No tie-break sets will be played.

Eligibility: All Gateway Region registered teams entered by the deadline are guaranteed entry into the Regional Championships. After the deadline, teams will be accepted as needed to fill pools.

Waivered Teams: Teams with waivered players will be allowed to participate.

Awards: Individual custom Gateway Region Championships medals will be awarded to first and second place teams in all divisions.

Officials: First referees will be provided for ALL matches. Teams must provide certified officials to fill in the rest of the officiating crew (down referee, scorer, libero tracker and/or visual scorer and 2 lines persons). Teams that have not completed their certification process will be charged \$40 per match to provide a scorer and down ref. Lines persons must still be provided by the teams.

Regional Championship Seeding: The seeding will be based on head to head results throughout the season as supplied by tournament directors. Only results against other teams in the same age group will be used. If you have any head-to-head results from tournaments outside of the region please e-mail us (mayer@gatewayvb.org) before March 27 with those results. Out of region results must be confirmed either by a representative from each team or an online reporting tool before they will be entered into the system.

Region Merchandise: Shirts with this year's logo will be available for purchase. We tend to sell out early at many venues. If you want to buy in advance contact Melissa at the Region Office, pouyer@gatewayvb.org, or 314-849-1221.

Entry Process for Junior National Events

Deadlines for BJNC and Pre-tournament Manuals for all events can be downloaded from the USAV web site, <http://www.teamusa.org/USA-Volleyball.aspx>. 2017 Boys' Junior National Championships will be held in Columbus, OH.

Penalty for Teams That Drop

Teams that drop out of the Gateway Regional Championships less than 24 hours prior to the start of the tournament may be penalized. Penalties may include, but are not limited to the following: imposing a \$200 monetary fine to the club, prohibiting the club from registering the following season and/or prohibiting the club from participating in the Gateway Regional Championships for the following season. If a team drops from Regionals to play in another volleyball event (i.e. Qualifier) after the entry deadline, the club will be banned from participating in Regionals the following year.