USA VOLLEYBALL JUNIOR PLAYER AGE DEFINITION

For use during the 2019-2020 Season

Once a player participates (including but not limited to practicing, training, attending workouts and/or competing) in a club or varsity program for any university, college, community college, or junior college, he/she is ineligible to take part in any regional and national programming, which includes but is not limited to national JNC qualifying and championship events.

18 and Under Division:
Players who were born on or after September 1, 2001
or
Players who were born on or after September 1, 2000 and a high school student in the twelfth (12th) grade or below during some part of the current academic year

17 and Under Division:
Players who were born on or after September 1, 2002

16 and Under Division:
Players who were born on or after September 1, 2003

15 and Under Division:
Players who were born on or after September 1, 2004

14 and Under Division:
Players who were born on or after September 1, 2005

13 and Under Division:
Players who were born on or after September 1, 2006

12 and Under Division:
Players who were born on or after September 1, 2007

11 and Under Division:
Players who were born on or after September 1, 2008

10 and Under Division:
Players who were born on or after September 1, 2009

9 and Under Division:
Players who were born on or after September 1, 2010

8 and Under Division:
Players who were born on or after September 1, 2011

BOYS’ WAIVERED PLAYERS:
Regionally waived boys teams in the 12, 13, and 14, and under will be allowed to participate at the USA Junior National Championships using the following age/grade definition:

- 14 and Under Waiver
  o Players who were born on or after September 1, 2005
  o OR Players who were born on or after September 1, 2004 (15 years or younger) who shall neither have completed nor are in a grade higher than the eighth grade (8th) during the current academic year. (This exception is based on the net height difference of 7’4 1/8” to 7’ 11 5/8” between the 14 and Under Division to the 15 and Under Division.)

- 13 and Under Waiver
  o Players who were born on or after September 1, 2006
  o OR Players who were born on or after September 1, 2005 (14 years or younger) who shall neither have completed nor are in a grade higher than the seventh grade (7th) during the current academic year.

- 12 and Under Waiver
  o Players who were born on or after September 1, 2007
  o OR Players who were born on or after September 1, 2006 (13 years or younger) who shall neither have completed nor are in a grade higher than the sixth grade (6th) during the current academic year. (This exception is based on the net height difference of 7’ to 7’4 1/8” to 7’11 5/8” between the 12 and Under Division to the 13 and Under Division.)

Note: These age definitions are used by domestic club programs and are NOT the same as the age definitions for the International and Domestic High Performance programs for 2019.

The Age Definition Policy was most recently revised by the USA Volleyball Board of Directors on January 19, 2002. The classification cut-off date of September 1 was reviewed by the USAV Junior Assembly and the USA Regional Volleyball Association Assembly prior and during the USAV 2016 Annual Meetings and research justified the continuation of the cut-off date of September 1.
To determine the correct age division, please find the Month of Birth in the left column and then the year of birth in the same row. The heading of the column matching the Year of Birth is the correct age bracket.

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1 Players who were born on or after September 1, 2001 or players who were born on or after September 1, 2000 and a high school student in the twelfth (12th) grade or below during some part of the current academic year.

2 Male Only - Players who were born on or after September 1, 2005 or players who were born on or after September 1, 2004 (15 years or younger) who shall neither have completed nor are in a grade higher than the eighth (8th) grade during the current academic year are eligible to play in the 14 & Under Division. This exception is based on the net height difference of 7’4 1/8” to 7’11 5/8” between the 14 and Under Division to the 15 and Under Division.

3 Male Only - Players who were born on or after September 1, 2006 or players who were born on or after September 1, 2005 (14 years or younger) who shall neither have completed nor are in a grade higher than the seventh grade (7th) during the current academic year.

4 Male Only – Players who were born on or after September 1, 2007 or players who were born on or after September 1, 2006 (13 years or younger) who shall neither have completed nor are in a grade higher than the sixth grade (6th) during the current academic year. (This exception is based on the net height difference of 7’ to 7’4 1/8” to 7’11 5/8” between the 12 and Under Division to the 13 and Under Division.)

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