



2023 JJVA Mini Club Tournament Series Guide

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Divisions Offered

Divisions offered are always subject to change on a per-tournament and/or per-season basis. Tournament Director reserves the right to make any adjustments needed to enhance competition, adjust for court availability, or for any other reason not outlined in this document. As an independently sanctioned event, JJVA has created two divisions. The Atlantic and Coastal Division. The Atlantic division is meant for you more advanced teams that will follow more structured rules and guidelines. The Coastal division is meant for the beginner level teams that will have more modified rules and leniency in play.

The tentative divisions for the 2023 season include:

- 10 / 11 and Under Coastal
- 12 and Under Coastal
- 12 and Under Atlantic
- 13 and Under Coastal
- 13 and Under Atlantic
- 14 and Under Coastal
- 14 and Under Atlantic
- 15 and Under Atlantic
- 16 and Under Atlantic

Memberships

JJVA Mini Club Tournaments are independently sanctioned, and no memberships are needed for this year. Adults serving in an official capacity (coaches, officials, site directors) must have a completed background check through an appropriate background screening source (AAU, USAV, AVP, Gov't, Employment, etc...). Proof of a background screening maybe ask for at any time by the Tournament Director. Failure to prove background screening clearance will result in removal and expulsion from the tournament and facility.

Tournament Dates

Dates are always subject to change but are tentatively planned as follows:

- JJVA Setting Ducks Mini Club – September 9, 2023
- JJVA Harvest Moon Mini Club – September 23, 2023
- JJVA Spooky Spikes Mini Club Championships – October 21, 2023

Tournament Play

All tournaments will feature a Best-of-Three format, no cap. All efforts will be made for sets to be played in the 25-25-15 format but the Tournament Director can alter format if necessary. Any second match (and beyond) of a particular pool can occur ahead of schedule if all teams are present and wanting to start early. Tournament Director, Site Director, and Officials will use their discretion to balance the desire to start early and giving the athlete's adequate rest time if they are about to compete in their third match in a row.



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Division Rules

In an effort to promote increased rallies and overall competitiveness, the following rules will be adapted in their respective Divisions and age groups. All other rules will be in accordance with USAV guidelines.

Coastal

- 10/11 and Under: The server may move up to 1/2 court for their 1st UNDERHAND serve. For their 2nd consecutive serve, they MUST move back behind a 6-foot step in the serving line. ALL OVERHAND serves must be from behind a 6-foot step in line. Teams should place athletes in rotation. Rotation and overlap errors will NOT be penalized. Liberos may be used, but not mandatory.
- 12 and Under: The servers first two serves in a serving rotation may be from behind a 6-foot step in line. Servers must move back to serve from behind the end line after making two consecutive serves over the net at the step-in line. Teams should place athletes in rotation. Rotation and overlap errors will NOT be penalized. Liberos may be used, but not mandatory.
- 13 and Under: The server may serve their first serve from behind a 6-foot step in line. Servers must move back to serve from behind the end line after making their first serve over the net at the step-in line. Teams should place athletes in rotation. Rotation and overlap errors will NOT be penalized. Liberos may be used, but not mandatory.
- 14 and Under: The server may serve their first serve from behind a 6-foot step in line. Servers must move back to serve from behind the end line after making their first serve over the net at the step-in line. Teams should place athletes in rotation. Rotation and overlap errors will NOT be penalized. Liberos may be used, but not mandatory.

Atlantic

The server may serve their first serve from behind a 6-foot step in line. Servers must move back to serve from behind the end line after making their first serve over the net at the step-in line. Teams should place athletes in rotation. A warning will be issued for out of rotation, after one warning the second occurrence of out of rotation a point will be issued to the opposing team.

*The modified rules/guidelines are to encourage rally play, competition, and a fun environment for learning and spreading the love for the game. Changes to these guidelines can be made at Tournament Directors discretion.

Boys in Competition

Boys must play on a team that is two (2) years older than their current age division (i.e., a boy eligible to compete in 12 and under must compete in the 14 and under division). Teams may also not have more than two boys on the court at the same time.

Team Jerseys

- All athletes must wear the same color jersey (tops and bottoms) for each match.
- Team jerseys must have visible player numbers on the back (at a minimum).
- The libero jersey must be contrasting from the team's dominant jersey color. The libero jersey does not have to have a number on the back.



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Team Officiating Requirements

A coach from the officiating team shall perform the R1 duty for each match. Each team will be responsible for providing down official (R2), two-line judges, one official scorekeeper, and one visual scorekeeper per court. A Coach or an Adult on the Team Roster must perform a duty at the table. Please pay special attention to your pool/bracket to ensure an officiating assignment is not missed.

Awards

- Themed gifts/awards will be awarded to first-place teams in each pool.
- All Tournaments are a part of the Mini Club Cup Series. A Mini Club Cup will be awarded to the club amassing the most points (point system based on team's placement in JJVA Mini Club series tournaments throughout the season, i.e. 1st place =10 points, 2nd place = 8 points, etc.) at the Spooky Spikes Championships in October.

Spectator Policy

- All tickets must be purchased online from sport wrench. All adult spectators must provide photo ID along with their QR code to enter the playing facility.
- No outside food or drinks can be delivered or brought in the facility. No Coolers, lawn chairs are permitted in the facility.
- Due to allergies and safety concerns, there is a no-pet policy at the facilities – We gladly allow service animals with correct documentation.
- Spectator fees are \$10 for a one day. Children 5 and under are free

Other Facility Rules

Parking at JJVA is free but limited. Teams are encouraged to carpool as much as possible. Spectators are encouraged to relocate away from the court when their athlete is not playing in an effort to maintain social distancing. Masks may always be worn and is of one's own preference. Athletes are not permitted to impede onto another playing court during a rally. The ball will be deemed out of play if this occurs.

To maintain a safe atmosphere for our Athletes, Fans, and staff there will be a no tolerance policy for misbehavior by players/teams and spectators in the venue:

- Ball Handling is NOT allowed outside of the playing court and facilities.
- Play on any other Court in the facility is NOT allowed unless designated by the Tournament Director
- Coolers and outside food and drink are NOT ALLOWED in ANY of the facilities.
- Only individual water and sports drinks may be brought inside the facility.
- Spectators are NOT allowed on Any court at any time.
- Spectators are NOT allowed to approach an Official, Officiating Team, or Score table at any time.

Violation of these policies or any other general misbehaviors may result in immediate dismissal from the facility for the remainder of the day/tournament. We ask that all spectators, coaches, and players abide by the Florida Region USAV Fan Code of Conduct



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