



The Sandlot Tournaments & AVP America Junior Events

Junior Doubles & Quads Requirements

Will follow AVP America Rules

[Player Handbook](#)

Current AVP Junior Age Requirements

18U: Athletes graduating high school in 2023 or later

16U: Athletes graduating high school in 2025 or later

14U: Athletes graduating high school in 2027 or later

12U: Athletes graduating high school in 2029 or later

*****AVP MEMBERSHIP IS REQUIRED TO PLAY*****

All players will need to get a Silver membership to compete in AVP Tournaments.

If you earn a bid and decide to go to nationals, you will need to upgrade to a Gold membership.

1. AVP requires a parent/guardian basic account in order to create/renew a minor membership.
2. After creating a basic membership parent/guardian will be able to link the minors membership to their account.

[AVP Website](#) | [AVP Membership Info](#)

Junior Doubles Tournaments

Tournament Rules & Information [AVP Handbook 2022](#)

Event Format

- Sign up with a partner. Pool play followed by single elimination bracket play. All teams make the playoffs.
- We will have 3 divisions for our doubles tournaments held at The Sandlot except for the Beach Series.
- 18U, 16U, 14U based on AVP age requirements.

How to Qualify

1 ★ events award bids to 1st & 2nd place teams as long as there are at least 5 teams in the division.

- **No bids required for the Midwest Championships**
- **Bids will be awarded from December 1, 2022 - June 25, 2023 for the National Championships**
- **Bids will be awarded from July 1, 2023 - November 5, 2023 for the West Coast Championships**
- **Bids will be awarded from July 1, 2023 - November 19, 2023 for the East Coast Championships**

Volleyball Protocol

1. Profanity of any sort will not be tolerated at The Sandlot or the MSC facility.
2. A player may not obstruct the view of the player receiving the ball.
3. It is illegal to intentionally interfere with an opposing player trying to play the ball out of the net.
You are not allowed to redirect or knock the ball down by placing your hand at the point where the ball is in the net.
4. Parents are not allowed to interfere with competition at all.

Playing the Game

Serving/Serve Receive:

- The ball may be served from any point behind the end line of your court.
- Server may not step on or touch the endline until the ball is contacted.
- You are only allowed one toss for the serve.
- Servers must be in the correct rotation. If they serve out of rotation, a point and sideout are awarded to the opposing team.
- Players may not attack, block, or set the serve. They may use their forearm, pass the ball or contact the ball overhead with both hands together.
- Downball may be taken as a double contact without violation. Freeball must be passed with your platform. If taken with your hands it must be clean, no double contact.
- Serves that hit the top of the tape are legal. (Let serves)

Setting:

- A ball may not be held, lifted, thrown, carried or double-contacted when setting. This will be considered a mishandled ball.
- Spin on the ball in itself after it is set does not necessarily indicate a mishandled ball. A set ball is being called because it is being mishandled, not because it is spinning. However, direction and excessiveness of spin can be an indicator of a mishandled ball.
- When the ball is set into the opponent's court, the setter's shoulders must be "Squared Up" or Perpendicular to the line of the flight of the ball. (Directly forward or backwards with relation to the setters body)
- A player **may not** open hand tip.

Attacking/Blocking:

- A ball that is in any part of the vertical plane of the net may be contacted by either team.
- An attacked ball must be cleanly contacted. The ball can not be lifted, thrown, carried or double contacted.
- You may not touch the net while attempting to attack the ball or block the ball.
- A blocked ball may be directed by the blocker but may not be carried by the blocker.
- A touch on the block is considered a contact.

Digging

- Foot digs are legal. A ball may not be lifted, carried, or thrown.

Other:

- A player may go under the net as long as it is not interfering with the play of the ball.
- Any part of any player may not touch the net.

Junior Beach Battle Tournaments

Event Format

- There will be 3 divisions.
- 18U, 16U, 14U based on AVP age requirements.
- Sign up in groups of 4. Teams may consist of the following: 2 boys & 2 girls in the same age division OR 1 boy & 3 girls in the same age division.
- Each group will have pool play and possible playoffs. Based on #s some teams may not make the playoffs.
- **Captains need to be responsible for their team.**

The Sandlot Facility Rules & Policies

All Events at The Sandlot will be staffed and supervised with MSC Staff for your safety and the comfort of all our guests. Please adhere to the following:

1. At The Sandlot the safety of the athletes, players, and spectators are our top priority!
2. Personal items are allowed inside the netting of our sand courts but The Sandlot and The MSC cannot be held responsible for lost or stolen items.
3. Water bottles, snacks, and sand chairs are allowed. Please clean up after yourself and properly dispose of any garbage into the garbage cans. Food tables and coolers are not allowed inside the netting of our sand courts.
4. All drinks inside the netting of our sand courts need to have a lid or cover. Water and sports drinks are the only beverages allowed on the sand surface. NO GLASS!
5. No jewelry, exposed metal, or hard unyielding plastic on braces are allowed.
6. No smoking, alcohol, or illegal drugs allowed inside or outside the premises of The Sandlot or the MSC facility.
7. No firearms or weapons allowed inside or outside the premises of The Sandlot or the MSC facility.
8. Athletes and participants are the only ones allowed on the sand and playing areas of The Sandlot. Spectators and fans we ask that you watch from outside the 6 court netting in your cars or outside The Sandlot. Feel free to bring pop up canopies and tailgate on the grass along the east side of the courts.
9. Water fountains and restrooms are located inside the MSC indoor location. We ask that if athletes need to enter the MSC they do so prior to playing. We don't want sand tracked inside our facility.
10. Before entering the doors of our indoor facility, athletes MUST wash off all sand before entering the MSC. There is a rinse off area located to the right of our indoor facility entrance.

The Sandlot Player Conduct & Establishment Policy

Violations of these rules will result in disciplinary action against a player or team including, but not limited to, disqualification from the league, and ejection from the premises.

1. Physical or verbal harassment of The Sandlot and MSC staff members, athletes and participants from other teams or your own, and any other patrons of any form will not be tolerated.
 - a. Any repeated or excessively inappropriate behavior will not be tolerated and may result in a player/team ejection or suspension.
 - b. Suspended/ejected players or teams will NOT receive a refund.
2. Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.
 - a. At no point are children allowed inside the sand surfaces.
 - b. The Sandlot & the MSC facility is not responsible for any unattended children.
3. The Sandlot is a pet free zone. Even though we love our furry friends we do not allow pets anywhere on the property.

The Sandlot Playing Area & Equipment

1. Juniors tournaments, Milwaukee Sting will provide the correct AVP outdoor volleyballs.
2. If they go over the boundaries of The Sandlot (netting around all 6 courts, parking lot, areas around our facility) please let the tournament manager know asap.
3. Each net will be at the correct height for leagues & tournaments upon entry. Every net will have antennas. The lines of the sand volleyball courts will be at the proper measurements upon entry. If they come up, please notify the league/tournament manager right away.

4. *Poles, supports, wooden dowels, and net cables are out of play. If the ball contacts any of these it will be a dead ball.*
5. *A ball is considered in bounds if it touches the line or makes the line move. A ball is considered out of bounds if it lands completely outside of the sand court or touches any object outside of the court.*
6. *Netting around all 6 of our courts at The Sandlot will be considered out of play.*
7. *We ask that you do not hang, grab, lean, or put anything on or around the netting of the 6 courts.*

Team Rosters/Waivers

1. *Every player on every team must sign and date an injury waiver for their team.*
 - a. *Waivers must be signed by all participants on their roster.*
 - b. *All waivers must be completed and turned in to the tournament manager before captains meeting of each tournament.*
2. *Every team must submit and maintain a roster.*
 - a. *Team rosters will help determine who is on their specific team and point of contact.*
 - b. *A player who is part of a team can not be on a roster of another team playing on the same tournament day.*
 - c. *All rosters need to be completed and turned in before the start of the tournament.*
 - d. *Players are welcome to switch partners if they would like for any tournament.*

Good Luck and Have Fun 😊

Please record and report all scores to the league/tournament manager after each match.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding!

MSC and Sandlot Staff