



USAV All-Star Championships

(A USAV Sanctioned Event)

Bid Specifications for Host/Promoter

The following is a working draft of key details required to host the USAV All-Star Championships. Only member Regions of USA Volleyball, who participated in any of the previous year's championships may submit a proposal to host the marquee All-Star event. Failure to meet this requirement will result in the proposal being deemed ineligible.

The USAV All-Star Championship is the end-of-season event that brings together the best of the best youth and junior players from around the country. This elite-level event began in 2000 and was operated as the USAV HP Championships until 2021, when the name was changed to the USAV All-Star Championships. The event is produced by the 40 regions of USA Volleyball. A tournament planning committee will assist the host with event details to help ensure consistency from year-to-year.

Dates

To host the USA All-Star Championships in the year's 2025 and 2026, the following are dates to consider:

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- Acceptable date window (move-in to move-out): July 14-26
 - Competition should end on a Sunday

The timetable for hosting the ASC competition would be as follows:

- Day 1: Move-in/Setup (Mon)
- Day 2: All-Star Delegations Arrive (Tue)
- Day 3: Practice day for All-Star Teams (Wed)
- Day 4-7: Competition (Thu-Sun)
- Day 8: Move out & Delegations Depart (Mon)

Location

A city close to a major international airport or easily accessed by public transportation is preferred. The host Region must also be in good standing with USA Volleyball and the RVAA.

Venue

A minimum convention center space of at least 150,000 square feet depending on building configurations would be needed for approximately 20-22 courts. A minimum ceiling height from the floor to the lowest impairment or overhanging obstruction shall be no less than 30 feet. Column-free space is preferred however, columns spaced at intervals that meet the requirements outlined in "Courts/Spacing, item C" are acceptable. A minimum lumens level that is compliant with USAV guidelines must be confirmed for all venues.

All courts should be under one roof, but proposals will be considered for sites with multiple venues if required. If multiple venues are proposed, they must be within a short walking distance of each other. Dock and elevator access should also be made available if needed.

The venue must be available no later than 7 a.m. each day and open through approximately 11 p.m. each day of the event.

Courts/spacing

- a. The Tournament Committee will work with the host Region to design the court layout of the event.
- b. The host Region will be responsible for securing portable courts and the costs associated with installing and tearing down the portable courts.
- c. Courts should be a minimum of 15m x 26m (with at least 12 courts 28m in length). The competition area of a volleyball court measures 9 meters by 18 meters. The safety area surrounding the competition area requires 3 meters on each sideline of the playing surface and 4 meters on each end line and must be free of all obstruction.
- d. There must be a minimum of 30 feet between the floor surface and the bottom of the lowest obstruction
- e. There must be seating for a minimum of 100 persons at each court, except for feature/championship courts. Feature/championship courts should have additional seating available in excess of the 100-person minimum. Bleachers are not required, but can be used to achieve the target number of spectator seating around any feature courts.
- f. Spacing between court areas must allow for manageable traffic patterns, spectator viewing without congestion, and the safe evacuation of participants if needed.
- g. Each Bidder must submit a floor plan of the convention center with their proposal.

Event support requirements

- a. A centrally located, elevated Championship Desk with multiple skirted tables, chairs, electrical, internet access, and a public address system capable of broadcasting throughout the entire venue is required.
- b. A centrally located area in close proximity to the Championship Desk shall be designed for sports medicine and medical purposes. Multiple skirted tables, chairs and ice would be required. If the venue has a tent or the ability to pipe and drape the area, that would be of benefit to the athletes, medical staff and attendees. This area must be staffed by Trainers/Medical staff one hour prior to the first match

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and up to one hour after the completion of the last match. The Medical area must also include a semi-private/private examination area for the evaluation of athletes by the Trainers/Medical Staff.

- c. A photography staging area and back drop located near the Championship Desk would also be required and need multiple skirted tables, chairs and electrical. A stage for team photographs would also be required. This might also double as a medals staging area. The host can designate a separate medals staging area if they chose to do so.
- d. A sales area for USA All-Star Championship merchandise will also be required. The sales area would require skirted tables and access to electrical.
- e. A ref room must be located adjacent to or in close proximity to the playing area. It would be used by referees and scorers. IT would require multiple skirted tables of various sizes, lots of chairs, garment racks and access to internet and electrical
- f. Concession stands/food vendors should be factored into the proposal to host at any given venue. Concession stands should offer food and drinks suitable to both spectators and elite athletes. Please include the hours that the vendors would be available when submitting the proposal

Spectators

- Ticket sales will be staffed by the host organization. Please provide a detailed plan for ticket sales, along with anticipated ticket prices for both daily admission as well as a full event pass.

Housing/Accommodations

Please consider the following when planning hotel and housing for athletes, coaches, officials and staff of the USAV All-Star Championships:

- a. One headquarters hotel will need to be within walking distance to the training venue/site of competition
- b. Based on the 2019 All-Star Championships, there could be as many as 5,000 room nights being used for the duration of the event. The majority of the hotels for this hotel must be in walking distance (1 mile) of the competition and training venue
- c. The All-Star Championships tournament would require 500+ rooms made available per night.
- d. The hotels must be willing to negotiate with the event on behalf of the All-Star Championships.

Staffing

The host will make arrangements to provide the following personnel for the event:

- Tournament Director
- Competition Director
- 2 Head Officials
- Lead Support Official/Assignor
- 2 Tournament Desk Staff

- 1 Court Crew
- 4-6 Ticket Staff
- 2-3 Athletic Trainers/Medical staff (ratio of 1 per 8 courts)

Event partners/sponsors

- A designated area within the competition arena must be made available for vendor sales and partner staging for the duration of the event
- Properties belonging to the partners/sponsors should also be given access to storage rooms if possible.
- Partners and sponsors should be given dock access for loading and unloading as event staff.

Rules of play

A competition manual will be provided by the Tournament Planning Committee detailing the rules of play and expectations in advance of the event.

Rules of play will also include international variations being used for the event as well as code of conduct policies that will be required to be enforced.

Additional Items:

The following items should be outlined in the proposal, providing as much detail as possible:

- Housing Requirements – Will the event be stay-to-play? If so, what housing company will coordinate the housing blocks for the event? Please include their experience with volleyball events.
- How many walkable hotels will be available? What distance from the competition venue? How many Q/Q rooms will be available at walking distance hotels?
- What airport is being recommended for incoming/outgoing flights? Please provide the name and airport code.
- How far is the airport from the competition venue? What shuttle options are available for individuals and/or groups?
- What type of public transportation is available around the competition venue?
- What are the parking options for the competition venue? How many spaces are available? What is the fee per vehicle? Does the fee allow for re-entry during the same competition day? Are there any restrictions for oversized vehicles (vans/buses/etc.)?
- Will the event offer any livestreaming options for participating teams? If so, what platform will be available? Please include their experience with volleyball events.
- Does the competition venue have free wifi for guests?
- Does the main competition venue have available meeting space for interested delegations? If so, what options are available.
- What photo plan will the event implement for teams or individual pictures?
- What laundry options are available near the competition venue?
- What options will be available for attendees to purchase event branded merchandise?

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- What things are there to do outside of the competition?

Contact Information:

Please include detailed contact information for the following organizations:

- Region submitting bid
- Venue (where competition will be held)
- Sports commission/tourism bureau
- Tournament director
- Housing agency (if used)

Notice to Bidders: Please provide your proposal as a single PDF. Bids should be emailed to allstarchamps@usavregions.org by the following dates:

- 2026 Bids by Oct 1, 2024