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2. Definitions

In this South Australian Volleyball League (SAVL) Regulations (*Regulations*) the below words and phrases have the following definitions:

Affiliated Body refers to a body that has met the Board's affiliation requirements in accordance with the Constitution and By-Laws. Affiliate has a corresponding meaning.

Arena Manager refers to a person employed by VSA to oversee a specific SAVL competition venue.

Board refers to the board of management of VSA.

By Laws means the VSA document titled VSA By-Laws.

Club means a SAVL Club which is an Affiliated Body which meets eligibility criteria established in the By-Laws. Clubs has a corresponding meaning.

Constitution refers to the Constitution of VSA.

Competition Participants refers to the athletes, coaches, team officials and VSA officials participating in the SAVL.

WWCC (Working with Children Clearance) refers to a screening clearance from the Department of Human Services.

FIVB means the Federation Internationale de Volleyball, which is the international governing body for volleyball.

General Manager or CEO refers to the General Manager of VSA or their nominee.

Illegitimate Participant refers to a participant that does not meet membership, athlete transfer, and athlete movement requirements.

non-Club means any club or team that competes in the SAVL but does not meet the definition of Club.

Referee refers to a referee engaged by VSA to officiate a SAVL match, or a referee appointed by a Club or non-Club to meet a duty as scheduled in a fixture.

South Australian Volleyball League (SAVL) means the SAVL competition run by VSA, inclusive of senior and junior divisions.

SAVL Athlete Qualification and Disputes Committee refers to the principal decision-making committee regarding the qualification of athletes to partake in finals in the SAVL divisions, and for the resolution of disputes under these Regulations. **SAVL Junior Committee** refers to the advisory committee regarding all VSA administered junior divisions.

SAVL Manager(s) refers to the VSA staff who is authorised to administer the SAVL, senior and/or junior divisions.

Team Official refers to coach, assistant coach, manager, trainer or adult supervisor.

Temporary Transfer means a transfer granted by VSA for a period to enable the resolution of any transfer issues or delays, as determined by VSA.

VA refers to Volleyball Australia.

VSA refers to Volleyball South Australia, the controlling body of volleyball in South Australia.

VSA website refers to www.volleyballsouth.com.au.

3. Precedence

- 3.1 These Regulations are drafted in accordance with the VSA By-Laws.
- 3.2 In the event of any inconsistency between the VSA Constitution, the By-Laws and the Regulations, the Constitution shall prevail to the extent of the inconsistency.
- 3.3 In the event of any inconsistency between the By-laws and the Regulations, the By-Laws shall prevail to the extent of the inconsistency.

4. SAVL Competition

- 4.1 The objectives of the SAVL are as follows:
 - 4.1.1 To provide a professionally administered competition for South Australia’s indoor volleyball athletes, officials and administrators.
 - 4.1.2 To provide a pathway for athletes and officials to the national and international level of the sport.
 - 4.1.3 To showcase indoor volleyball.
 - 4.1.4 To provide exposure and marketing opportunities to VSA’s commercial partners.

4.2 The SAVL Junior shall consist of the following divisions for each gender:

SAVL Junior
State League Juniors (SLJ)
U19 Divisions
U17 Divisions
U15 Divisions
U13 Divisions

- 4.3 VSA may in its discretion include further divisions within the SAVL structure.
- 4.4 VSA in consultation with the Junior League Committee respectively, retains the right to amend the SAVL draw at any time.
- 4.5 All VSA policies, as found on the VSA website, will be adhered to by all Competition Participants.

5. SAVL Nomination

- 5.1 Nominations for State League Juniors must only come from Clubs in accordance with the By-Laws.
- 5.2 Nominations for any junior division except State League Juniors may come from affiliates or educational institutions.
- 5.3 Nominations from other non-Affiliates may be accepted at VSA's discretion in junior divisions except State League Juniors.
- 5.4 Both Clubs and Affiliated bodies have the right to optionally nominate multiple junior divisional teams.
- 5.5 All nominations to compete in the SAVL must be lodged with VSA by the nomination closing date, as determined by VSA.
- 5.6 VSA shall prescribe the nomination requirements and inform relevant parties.
- 5.7 Nomination fees shall be determined by VSA in consultation with the Board.
- 5.8 VSA has absolute discretion to reject any nomination.
- 5.9 Late entries for the junior divisions may be accepted at the discretion of the SAVL Manager and with a fee as outlined in Schedule 1 of the Regulations.
- 5.10 All teams participating in SAVL must abide by the SAVL coach accreditation requirements on the VSA website

6. SAVL Competition Participants

- 6.1 All athletes and Team Officials involved in the SAVL must meet VSA membership requirements, as designated by VSA and published on the VSA website, prior to participating in the SAVL.
- 6.2 If an athlete who is not a member of VSA participates in any SAVL division, the Club who that athlete played for shall pay to VSA the fine prescribed in Schedule One to the Regulations.
- 6.3 Where a team has been fined in accordance with paragraph 6.2 above, the team for which the athlete competed shall also have a forfeit recorded against said team for the game in which the non-member athlete competed.
- 6.4 All teams entered in the junior divisions must have a coach or adult supervisor. If in the case of a coach being under 18 years old, an adult supervisor is required.
- 6.5 In accordance with paragraph 6.4 the coach or adult supervisor is fully responsible for their team at all times and must be present from the commencement of the warm-up period, the game, and throughout any duty team activities.
- 6.6 All team coaches and adult supervisors must hold a WWCC as detailed in the *VA Child Safeguarding Policy*.
- 6.7 All team coaches must be qualified in accordance with paragraph 14.9.
- 6.8 All members of VSA, by virtue of their membership, agree to:
 - 6.8.1 Abide by the By Laws and these Regulations as amended from time to time;
 - 6.8.2 Abide by the VA and the WADA (World Anti-Drug Agency) Anti-Doping and Match Fixing Policies; and

- 6.8.3 Permit VSA or its representatives to take photographs or video footage of SAVL games and use them in accordance with the VSA Video and Photography Policy.
- 6.9 All Competition Participants must not be under the influence of alcohol or drugs whilst participating in the SAVL.
- 6.10 The junior competition will offer the following age groups:

SLJ	Cannot turn 19 in the year of the competition
Under 19	Cannot turn 19 in the year of the competition
Under 17	Cannot turn 17 in the year of the competition
Under 15	Cannot turn 15 in the year of the competition
Under 13	Cannot turn 13 in the year of the competition

- 6.11 The SAVL Manager will advise the number of divisions subject to nominations.
- 6.12 The junior divisions are gender specific, however females can play in the male divisions. Males cannot play in a female division.

7. Player Transfers

- 7.1 All players participating in the SAVL shall be registered as competing on behalf of the Club, school or affiliate which the athlete's SAVL team represents.
- 7.2 All players competing in the SAVL shall be required to confirm they have not first played in a different Federation of Origin (internationally).
- 7.3 A player from a Federation of Origin other than Australia must first obtain an International Transfer Clearance and pay such transfer fees as may be required **before** playing any SAVL round.
- 7.4 A player from an equivalent competition interstate must first obtain VSA's written approval **before** the athlete may compete in the SAVL and pay such transfer fees as may be required.
- 7.5 Any player registered with a Club must obtain VSA's written approval **before** the athlete may compete for a different Club.
- 7.6 No transfer will be accepted if that player has already participated in one or more rounds in the current season for their registered Club.
- 7.7 All transfers relating to paragraph 7.5 must be completed by round 4.
- 7.8 VSA may refuse its written consent to a transfer if the relevant player is financially indebted to the Club (as previously notified to VSA), VSA or any VA affiliate.
- 7.9 If a current or past player is unfinancial with the former Club after transfer, it is the responsibility of the former Club (President or Treasurer) to notify VSA within 3 working days of this status. The individual player membership will then be placed under review, and that member will be ineligible to participate in any VSA competition until resolved.
- 7.10 All transfer requests require up to two working days to process. Where completion is required pursuant to paragraph 7.5, the Transfer application and payment must occur

at least two working days prior to the player's intention of competing in any SAVL round.

- 7.11 If a player competes for a Club in any SAVL division but is registered as competing for a different Club, the player will be regarded as an Illegitimate Participant.
- 7.12 Only one transfer per player is permitted within a twelve-month period.
- 7.13 The written consent required in accordance with this paragraph 7 shall be in the form as prescribed on the VSA website and shall be lodged online with VSA together with the fee prescribed in Schedule 1.
- 7.14 VSA must notify the player and Clubs involved of the outcome of the requested transfer within two working days from lodgement.
- 7.15 None of the processes described in paragraph 7 applies to movement from Clubs to non-Clubs, or from non-Clubs to Clubs.

8. Permit

- 8.1 A player competing for a Club team may compete in a different non-Club team (or vice versa) with written approval from VSA,
- 8.2 VSA will grant approval for such a permit subject to any relevant Transfer criteria described in paragraph 7 above.
- 8.3 Permits will not be given for a player wishing to compete for a non-Club team that competes in the same division as their Club team.
- 8.4 A permit is only valid for one season and the player remains associated with the original Club.

9. Athlete Movement

- 9.1 For each round of the SAVL the following athlete movement rules shall apply to each gender:
 - 9.1.1 Teams only have two athletes play multiple division or age groups
 - Eg - SLG and U19/U17/U15 (if eligible)
 - U19 Division 1 and U19 Division 2
 - 9.1.2 No athlete is eligible to compete for more than two teams nominated by a club in the SAVL Junior competition in any given week.
 - 9.1.3 Participation in SAVL Senior divisions will not count towards finals juniors eligibility.
 - 9.1.4 For the Final Series, paragraph 9.1.1 does not apply, as more than two athletes may play in both U19 and State League Juniors or both U19 and U17 so long as they have qualified for both teams in accordance with paragraph 12
 - 9.1.5 There are no restrictions on the number of junior athletes who may compete in the senior divisions.
 - 9.1.6 The athlete movement conditions applicable to the junior divisions shall be the same as contained in the above Regulations, subject to the following:

- (a) Any athlete wishing to play for a school team and a club team within the same round must gain special permission from the SAVL Manager as decisions will be made on a case by case basis.

9.1.7 In the occurrence of a bye, athlete movement paragraph 9.1.1 will be applied to the team list from the last match prior to the bye.

9.2 When the above athlete movement in this paragraph 9 are infringed, a forfeit shall be imposed on the later team (i.e. the team which has a later actual start time for that round).

10. Uniforms

- 10.1 For State League Juniors, all Club uniforms must be registered with VSA via a photograph or diagram. Where a Club intends to change its uniform during or between seasons, VSA approval must be first gained. Where a club is continuing to play in previously approved uniforms, no action is required. Uniform is to include shirts and shorts. The Libero uniforms are also included in this requirement.
- 10.2 Club athletes shall only compete in uniforms approved by VSA.
- 10.3 Playing tops may only be numbered between 1 and 99.
- 10.4 Sponsorship logo size and placement is to be in accordance with SAVL Uniform Guidelines (refer Appendix 1).
- 10.5 If an athlete competes in any junior division without wearing the approved uniform, three points shall be awarded to the opposing team at the start of each set that the athlete participates in without wearing the approved uniform.
- 10.6 Temporary modifications to uniforms, including the use of tape or similar materials are not part of the official uniform, and thus are not permitted in all divisions of SAVL Juniors. This paragraph does not include the wearing of black armbands in a bereavement situation.
- 10.7 Clothing required for religious purposes is acceptable, but written notification must be given to the SAVL Manager prior to the commencement of the SAVL.
- 10.8 If a SAVL Junior team nominates a Libero athlete in a match, that athlete must have a playing top that contrasts with the team uniform. The uniform of another sporting team may not be used as a Libero uniform.
- 10.9 Junior teams, excluding State League Junior, must be in matching shirts that are numbered with similar looking shorts, in approved Club/non-Club or school colours. Libero shirts must be in contrasting colours but are not required to be numbered.
- 10.10 Uniforms must be worn from the hitting warm-up onwards.
- 10.11 Hats are not permitted, subject to paragraph 10.7.
- 10.12 The uniforms must be presentable and have no obvious flaws such as fading and/or tears.
- 10.13 The captain is not required to have a bar underneath their playing number but may choose to wear a shirt displaying one.
- 10.14 The Arena Manager will have the final decision in any disputes relating to uniform.

11. Competition Rules

- 11.1 The rules of the game applicable to the SAVL shall be the FIVB Official Rules (current as at 31 March of each year), except as amended by these Regulations.
- 11.2 For junior divisions excluding State League Juniors, matches will be played over a 60-minute time limit with a 10-minute warm-up. Matches will end at the completion of the time limit or at the completion of a best of five sets match, whichever comes first.
- 11.3 For junior divisions excluding State League Juniors, no timeouts will be permitted within the last five minutes.
- 11.4 State League Juniors will play untimed, best of 5 sets.

11.5 Substitutions

- 11.5.1 The Australian 12 Substitution rule as contained within Appendix 2 shall apply except where 11.5.2 below applies.
- 11.5.2 Rotational or ad hoc substitutions are allowed in all Under 15 and Under 13 divisions. No rotations will be kept for these divisions.

11.6 Libero

- 11.6.1 In the case of injury to a non-libero player, the libero can be re-assigned as a normal player (with a numbered shirt) in order to avoid an incomplete team. The injured player shall not take any further part in the game.
- 11.6.2 For all junior divisions excluding State League Juniors a new libero can be assigned at each set.
- 11.6.3 For all junior divisions a libero can be reassigned in the case of injury, except for State League Juniors where paragraph 11.5.1 applies.

11.7 Net Heights

The net heights shall be as prescribed in the table below:

Junior Divisions	Male	Female
State League Juniors	2.43m	2.24m
U19 Divisions	2.43m	2.24m
U17 Divisions	2.35m	2.15m
U15 Divisions	2.24m	2.10m
U13 Divisions	2.15m	2.10m

In divisions of mixed gender, the male net height shall be used

11.8 Forfeits

- 11.8.1 All junior divisions will lose the first set of the game 25-0 if the team is unable to field six players (or five players for under 15 and 13 divisions) at the scheduled start time of the relevant match. The team will lose the second set 25-0 if the team is unable to field six players (or five players for under 15 and 13 divisions) at the five minutes past the scheduled start time of the relevant match. The team will lose the third set 25-0 if the team is unable to field six players (or five players for under 15 and 13 divisions) at 10 minutes past the scheduled start time of the relevant match.

- 11.8.2 The fine prescribed in Schedule One of these Regulations as the “Forfeit Fee” shall be imposed against any team who forfeits the whole match. Junior teams who forfeit the match but are able to assemble sufficient players for a scratch match may request exemption from the forfeit fee in writing to SAVL Manager.
- 11.8.3 All forfeiting teams are required to fulfil any duty team requirements or the fine prescribed in Schedule 1 as the “Non-Duty Fee” shall be imposed.
- 11.8.4 Teams who have won a game as a result of a forfeit must still fulfil any duty team requirements.
- 11.8.5 Any junior SAVL team that records more than three forfeits across the course of the scheduled season may be removed from the competition at the discretion of SAVL Manager.

11.9 Start Times and Warm-up

- 11.9.1 The warm-up protocol shall be as prescribed in the following tables:

Protocol for State League Juniors	
Mins to Match Start	Action
20	Previous game is finished, and teams clear the court
14	First Referee checks net height and duty team reports to court
13	Coin toss takes place and captains complete and sign score sheets
12	Warm up commences at the net (teams control warm-up)
3	Teams to serve
2	Coaches’ instruction
1	Teams assemble on court and rotation check
0	First serve

Protocol for other junior divisions	
Mins to Match Start	Action
10	Previous game is finished, and teams clear the court. 1 st Referee checks net height and duty team reports to court
7	Coin toss takes place and captains complete and sign score sheets
6	Warm up commences at the net (teams control warm-up)
2	Teams to serve
1	Coaches’ instruction
0	Teams assemble on court and rotation check and first serve

- 11.9.2 All game times used in the draw is for the commencement of the matches, warm-up will commence prior to the scheduled match start time.

11.10 Game Delays

- 11.10.1 Any issues with game delays will be reviewed at the time by the Arena Manager and/or Referee Delegate.
- 11.10.2 If any State League Juniors minor round game is affected, games will proceed as follows:
- (a) If the game is delayed by up to 30 minutes, the game will continue from where the last point was able to be played. An additional 10 minute warm up will be provided to both teams.
 - (b) If the game is delayed by more than 30 minutes, a result will be determined. If 3 sets are completed the match will be deemed live with a count back on sets (If sets are equal) then a count back on points shall determine the winner. If 3 sets are not completed, then a draw will be recorded.
- 11.10.3 In a timed minor round junior division game, excluding State League Juniors, that is affected by a delay, games will proceed as follows:
- (a) If the game is delayed by up to 15 minutes, the game will continue from where the last point was able to be played.
 - (b) If the game is delayed by more than 15 minutes, a result will be determined if 1 or more sets are completed the match will be deemed live with a count back on sets (if sets are equal) then a count back on points shall determine the winner. If 1 set has not been completed, then a draw will be recorded.
- 11.10.4 If a finals' series game is affected, by a delay more than 30 minutes the game shall be rescheduled at a time agreeable to VSA and the competing teams.
- 11.11 Draws and Seedings**
- 11.11.1 All season draws and fixtures will be produced by the SAVL Manager and will be available on the VSA website.
- 11.11.2 For a junior division, excluding State League Juniors, a grading tournament may be played prior to the commencement of the season at the discretion of the SAVL Competition Manager. All nominated junior teams are expected to take part in this tournament. At the conclusion of this tournament the SAVL Manager and SAVL Junior Committee shall determine the divisions for the start of the main season.
- 11.11.3 At the start of the main season a set number of rounds will be played for grading. After this period, the SAVL Manager and SAVL Junior Committee shall determine the divisions and team numbers and release the full season draw.
- 11.11.4 Allocations for all junior divisions will be done at the discretion of the SAVL Manager in conjunction with the SAVL Junior Committee. Coaches' advice may be sought during this process.
- 11.11.5 For junior teams that change divisions after the grading period, in accordance with 11.10.3, all matches that the team were involved in will be recorded as a draw and set and point scores will remain.
- 11.12 Premiership Table and Scoring**

- 11.12.1 Teams will gain points on the Premiership Table according to the following table:

Result	Points
Win	3
Draw	2
Loss	1
Forfeit	0

- 11.12.2 The premiership table ranking will be decided using the following method:

- (a) Premiership Points (in accordance with 11.11.1); then
- (b) Set Percentage (sets won/[sets played]); then
- (c) Point Percentage (points won/[points played])

- 11.11.3 In the case a division plays an unequal number of games the premiership table will be decided using the following method:

- (a) Match Ratio (Premiership Points (in accordance with 11.11.1) / Number of games played); then
- (b) Set Percentage (sets won/[sets played]); then
- (c) Point Percentage (points won/[points played]).

- 11.12.4 For timed games, a set is deemed to be complete at full time when one team has reached a minimum of 15 points, with a 2 point advantage. If this score has not been reached, the winning team will be awarded on completed sets. If sets are equal, the team with the greater number of total points (combination of complete and incomplete sets) will win the game. If the total points are equal, the game would be deemed a tie.

12. Finals Series

- 12.1 The junior SAVL divisions finals series shall be the games listed in the draw to be “semi-final” and “grand final” during the junior division season. No finals will be played for under 13 divisions.
- 12.2 All finals matches will play untimed best of five sets.
- 12.3 An athlete may compete in the finals series for a SAVL Junior team if:
- 12.3.1 The athlete has been noted on the scoresheet as competing in at least fifty per cent of the relevant scheduled matches for that division, or a lower division, as defined in the SAVL draw. For example, an athlete plays 5 rounds out of 12 in a season, and thus cannot participate in finals if 5 rounds is less than fifty per cent. Matches played in any division may contribute to athlete qualification for that division or a higher division provided that they are played in separate rounds of the SAVL competition.
 - 12.3.2 An athlete who participates in two separate divisions in the one round of SAVL as authorised under paragraph 8 shall register only one match, in the lowest division in which the athlete competed, for finals qualification purposes;
 - 12.3.3 The athlete has no monies outstanding to VSA for which an invoice has been rendered to the athlete; and

- 12.3.4 When a junior athlete qualifies for finals participation in a senior division, that athlete cannot use their senior division participation to qualify for a junior division. For example: Annie has qualified for Reserves through participation in the Reserves competition and this does not qualify her State League Junior finals.
- 12.4 If, due to representative duties in either an Australian indoor or beach volleyball team, an athlete is unable to qualify for the finals series under the terms of Paragraph 12.3, they must provide satisfactory evidence to support their inability to meet the requirements to the SAVL Athlete Qualification and Disputes Committee (this may be either a signed letter from the National Coach or a signed copy of the FIVB international scoresheet featuring the athlete's name). The supporting evidence/documentation must clearly state the dates for which the athlete was unavailable to compete in SAVL competition and must be received by the SAVL Athlete Qualification and Disputes Committee no later than one week prior to the finals series start date. If the athlete satisfies the above and has been noted on the score sheet as having competed in at least fifty per cent, but not less than two matches, of the relevant scheduled matches for which the athlete was available, they shall be permitted to compete in the finals series in the relevant SAVL division for which the athlete qualifies.
- 12.5 If, due to injury or other medical condition (includes pregnancy), an athlete is unable to qualify for the finals series under the provisions of paragraph 12.3 they must provide satisfactory evidence, in the form of a medical certificate or signed letter from a qualified medical practitioner, to support their inability to meet the requirements to the SAVL Athlete Qualification and Disputes Committee. The supporting evidence must clearly state the duration for which the athlete was unable to compete in SAVL competition and must be received by the SAVL Athlete Qualification and Disputes Committee no later than one week prior to the finals series start date. If the athlete satisfies the above and has been noted on scoresheets as having competed in at least fifty per cent, but not less than two matches, of the scheduled matches for the season not covered by the medical evidence, they shall be permitted to compete in the finals series in the relevant SAVL division for which the athlete qualifies.
- 12.6 If an athlete does not meet the requirements of paragraph 12.2 above, and does not fall within the exceptions contained in paragraphs 12.4 and 12.5 above, the athlete may apply in writing to the SAVL Athlete Qualification and Disputes Committee for special consideration to be permitted to compete in the Finals Series.
- 12.7 Notwithstanding the above, any athlete who qualifies for the Finals Series of a particular junior SAVL division is deemed to have qualified for the Finals Series of all higher junior SAVL divisions, as relevant.
- 12.8 For athletes in junior divisions, 12.5 – 12.7 above apply except that applications will be made to, and adjudicated by, the SAVL Junior Committee giving consideration to the best outcome for the Finals Series and the athlete's ongoing participation.

13. SAVL Awards

- 13.1 VSA, on recommendation from the SAVL Junior Committee, shall be responsible for determining the number and format of the SAVL annual awards but shall, at a minimum, include the following awards:
- 13.1.1 Athlete awards;
 - 13.1.2 Referee awards; and
 - 13.1.3 Volunteer awards.
- 13.2 Competition *Best and Fairest* awards for State League Junior will be presented at the conclusion of the regular season and will be determined by the following process:
- 13.2.1 First referee from each match, in consultation with the auxiliary officials if applicable, will vote for the best athlete at the conclusion of the match based on a 3-2-1 vote system.
- 13.3 Grand Final *Best on Court* awards will be presented at the medal ceremony and will be determined by the following process:
- 13.3.1 For junior divisions, Grand Final *Best on Court* will be agreed between the coaches of the two teams. If agreement cannot be met, the first referee of the match will make the final decision.
- 13.4 The *Skip Cup* shall be awarded each year to the Club obtaining the highest number of points in accordance with the following table:

Position	State League senior	Reserve	State League junior
1.	48 points	36 points	24 points
2.	32 points	24 points	16 points
3.	24 points	18 points	12 points
4.	20 points	15 points	10 points
5.	16 points	12 points	8 points
6.	12 points	9 points	6 points
7.	8 points	6 points	4 points
8.	4 points	3 points	2 points
9.		1 point	

14. Game Officials

- 14.1 VSA will endeavour to roster the first referee for each State League Junior game who shall hold at a minimum a Development Referee (level 2) qualification under the VA accreditation system and must be a member of VSA.
- 14.2 SAVL teams, when rostered to duty a divisional match as per the fixture, are required to provide a qualified first referee.
- 14.3 For the grand finals of State League Junior VSA will provide a first and second referee. For grand finals of all other junior divisions, VSA will provide a first referee. The grand final fixture (released by VSA) will roster teams to complete the duty as determined by the SAVL Manager.
- 14.4 Each official, including athletes performing an official role whilst completing a duty, shall be bound by the Official's Code of Behaviour as published on the VSA website.
- 14.5 Each team is obliged to undertake the number of duties listed in the SAVL draw as released by VSA.

- 14.6 Any SAVL team scheduled to perform a duty is required to abide by the following procedure:
- 14.6.1 A minimum of five personnel must report to the court 20 minutes before the SAVL match start time (as amended by any game delays, or cross-over times for timed junior division matches).
- 14.6.2 The four duty roles they will perform are
- (a) First referee;
 - (b) Second referee;
 - (c) Scorer; and
 - (d) 2 linespersons
- 14.6.3 These roles may interchange between sets except for the First referee as long as the standard is maintained.
- 14.7 If the procedures in this paragraph 14 are not complied with, the first referee or Arena Manager may, in his or her absolute discretion, report the team to the relevant SAVL Manager.
- 14.8 If a team is reported to the SAVL Manager in accordance with paragraph 14.7, the SAVL Manager may, in his or her absolute discretion, determine to charge the offending team the *Non-Duty fee* prescribed in Schedule 1.
- 14.9 SAVL coaches must be qualified in accordance with the table below in order to coach on game day:

Juniors	VA accreditation minimum
State League Juniors	Level 2
Division 1 all ages	Level 1 minimum – Level 2 preferred
Divisions 2 and below all ages	Level 1

Where the game day coach is not qualified in accordance with this paragraph the penalty for *Unqualified Coach participation* listed in Schedule 1 may apply.

15. Disputes

- 15.1 If any team is unsure of the interpretation of any regulation, then they must contact the relevant SAVL Manager for a ruling. An incorrect interpretation of a Regulation by a team is no grounds for appeal for any penalties handed down by VSA.
- 15.2 In this paragraph 15, “complaint” means any dispute, complaint, grievance or appeal arising in relation to the application of the Regulations.
- 15.3 Any complaint arising in respect of the SAVL regarding an alleged breach, or breaches, of the VSA Member Protection Policy shall be dealt with according to the procedure prescribed in the *VSA Member Protection Policy*, as amended from time to time.

- 15.4 Any complaint arising in the context of the Regulations, which does not involve an alleged breach of the *VSA Member Protection Policy*, shall be dealt with in accordance with the following procedure:
- 15.4.1 The complainant shall give notice of the complaint to the relevant SAVL Manager by the close of the next business day of the conduct giving rise to the complaint; and
- 15.4.2 The SAVL Manager shall, in their absolute discretion:
- (a) resolve the complaint at the time the complaint is reported (provided no conflict of interest); or
 - (b) refer the complaint to the SAVL Athlete Qualification and Disputes Committee for resolution.
- 15.5 If a complainant or other interested party, wishes to appeal a resolution of the SAVL Manager (other than a resolution to refer a complaint to the SAVL Athlete Qualification and Disputes Committee), the complainant or the interested party shall give notice of the appeal to the CEO, who shall refer the appeal to the SAVL Athlete Qualification and Disputes Committee.
- 15.6 The complainant, or other interested party, shall pay the appeal fee (refer to Schedule One) to VSA at the time notice of the appeal is given.
- 15.7 Within seven days of a referral of a complaint by the SAVL Manager, or the referral of an appeal by the CEO, the SAVL Athlete Qualification and Disputes Committee shall convene a dispute review hearing.
- 15.8 The SAVL Athlete Qualification and Disputes Committee shall hear and determine the CEO complaint, and it shall have the discretion to invite any interested person to address the SAVL Athlete Qualification and Disputes Committee in relation to the complaint prior to making a determination.
- 15.9 In this paragraph 15, **notice** shall be in writing and shall be:
- 15.9.1 if to be provided to the SAVL Manager:
- (a) hand-delivered to the SAVL Manager; or
 - (b) delivered to the VSA Office; or
 - (c) emailed to the CEO.
- 15.9.2 if to be provided to the CEO:
- (a) delivered to the VSA Office; or
 - (b) emailed to the CEO.

16. SAVL Athlete Qualification and Disputes

- 16.1 The SAVL Athlete Qualification and Disputes Committee (**Committee**) shall be constituted of three members drawn from the following persons:
- 16.1.1 The CEO;
 - 16.1.2 A senior Referee Delegate;
 - 16.1.3 A member of the Board
- 16.2 In the case of disputes the Committee is empowered to impose financial penalties and/or match penalties/suspension, subject to the severity of the offence.

- 16.3 In the case of reviewing and determining the qualification of athletes in the SAVL for finals series eligibility, the Committee may substitute or add the SAVL Manager as one of its members.
- 16.4 When reviewing athlete qualification for finals, the Committee shall convene no earlier than two weeks prior to the first finals match, and no later than one week prior to the first finals match of the SAVL.
- 16.5 In seasons where there are an uneven number of playing rounds, the Committee, in respect of paragraph 12.4.1, may elect to assign 50 percent of games minus one (eg: in a season of 15 rounds, assign seven games rather than eight) in order to determine the finals eligibility threshold.

17. Match Sanctions

- 17.1 If a player or team official is expelled or disqualified from a match, the person shall be referred to the SAVL Athlete Qualification and Disputes Committee which will determine the appropriate match sanctions.
- 17.2 For the avoidance of doubt, the match sanction procedure shall also apply to the finals series.

18. Under 13 Competition

The Under 13 competition is governed by the Regulations, however some amendments have been made to meet the rationale for this age group.

Rule variations for Under 13 are outlined in Appendix 3.

19. First Aid

- 19.1 Basic first aid will be available at all SAVL venues. Any additional items such as strapping tape will need to be supplied and administered by athletes, team officials, or team members.
- 19.2 Any hospital or ambulance costs will be the responsibility of the individual or the Club/Affiliate/school that the athlete is representing.

20. Special Circumstances or Provisions

- 22.1 Where these regulations are silent, a decision can be made that ensures the integrity of the SAVL is maintained at all times.

The SAVL Manager, in using their reasonable discretion, in exceptional or extenuating circumstances, may alter, vary or waive the requirements set out in these regulations relating to the SAVL.

21. Notices

- 21.1 All notices and other correspondence shall be addressed to the SAVL Manager, as per the contact details on the VSA website.

22. Regulation Review

- 22.1 The Regulations are to be reviewed annually by the SAVL Manager.

23. Schedule 1 – Penalties and Fees

Forfeit Fee (junior divisions)	\$120
Appeal fee	\$110
Affiliation fee	\$260
Non-member participation in the SAVL (athlete or official)	\$50
Illegitimate participation in the SAVL	Team forfeit
Unqualified Coach participation	1 premiership point per occurrence
Athlete Transfer fee	\$50
Non-Duty fee	\$140
Junior division late nomination fee	\$60
*Note: Above costs/fees are inclusive of GST.	

24. Appendix 1 – SAVL Uniform Guidelines

Club uniforms must meet the following FIVB Regulations

- ✓ A player's uniform and equipment consists of a playing top, shorts, socks and sport shoes.
- ✓ The colour and the design for the playing top and shorts must be identical for the team (except for the Libero). The uniforms must be clean.
- ✓ The shoes must be light and pliable with rubber or composite soles without heels.
- ✓ The number must be placed on the playing top at the centre of the front and of the back. The colour and brightness of the numbers must contrast with the colour and brightness of the jerseys.
- ✓ The number must be a minimum of 15 cm in height on the chest, and a minimum of 20 cm in height on the back. The stripe forming the numbers shall be a minimum of 2 cm in width.
- ✓

All club uniforms must be approved by Volleyball South Australia prior to production.

Playing tops

1. Player uniform consists of jersey (shirt), short, training suit and socks, and must be same for the whole team.
2. All players of the same team must wear the same colour and style.
3. The Libero player(s) must wear a uniform (or jacket/bib for the redesignated Libero) which has a different dominant colour from any colour of the rest of the team. The uniform must clearly contrast with the rest of the team. Both Liberos can be in uniforms different from each other and from the rest of the team.
4. Clubs can choose to have a variety of playing tops ie. Short sleeves, long sleeves, no sleeves. As long as the over-arching style is consistent throughout the team, sleeve length is up the individual athlete.

Playing shorts

5. All players of the same team must wear the same colour including the Libero.
6. Clubs can elect to have different styles of shorts ie bike shorts, "sport" shorts etc. These must be the same colour and logo placement, however which short is worn is up to the individual athlete.

Shoes

7. Players cannot wear shoes which have black marking soles.

Warm up uniform

8. Where warming up uniforms are worn in the warmup courts or in the competition area, they must be of the same colour and style for the entire team.

Compression Garments

9. These devices must be of the same colour as the corresponding part of the uniform. Black, white or neutral colours may be also used provided that all using players wear the same colour.

Uniform equipment

10. All socks should be the same colour and style for the whole team. Style options are knee length or mid-calf and below. ie. All players must wear socks that come to the knee, or all players wear calf length and below. Ankle socks are viewed as being the same as calf-length.

Official Warm-Up (Warm-up at the net)

11. All players must be in full-match uniform for the official warm up at the net, immediately following the toss of the coin.

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Volleyball South Australia logo

1. The Volleyball South Australia logo must appear on the left chest of all playing tops and must be 8.5cm wide.
2. No other logos or writing is permitted above or below the Volleyball South Australia logo.
3. The Volleyball South Australia logo must follow the below rules:
 - a. Light backgrounds – **use blue** Volleyball South Australia logo



- b. Dark backgrounds – **use white** Volleyball South Australia logo

4. Volleyball colour codes as per brand styling are are:

- Royal Blue
C 92 M 78 Y 2 K 0
R 47 G 81 B 160
- Chilli Red
C 1 M 87 Y 99 K 0
R 237 G 73 B 37
- Golden Yellow
C 3 M 22 Y 85 K 0
R 246 G 197 B 67

Sponsorship logos

1. All sponsorship logos must be approved by Volleyball South Australia.
2. Sponsorship logos are permitted on playing tops however playing top designs and logos must be identical for the whole team.
3. Once sponsorship logos are approved, they may appear on the right-hand sleeve, left hand sleeve and back of playing top (under player number).
 - a. Sleeves: 10cm x 5cm or equivalent to the proportion of the logo
 - b. Back of playing top: 30cm x 10cm or equivalent to the proportion of the logo

25. Appendix 2 – 12 Substitution Rule

The Twelve-Substitution Rule works as follows:

- Any number of athletes may substitute into the same rotational position on court within the following limitations:
- There is a maximum of 12 substitutions permitted per set per team.
- An athlete may only take the court three times per set, i.e. when the athlete’s number has been recorded on the scoresheet for the third time, that athlete may be substituted off but may not enter the court again. The scorer circling the athlete’s number indicates this third appearance.
- Different athletes may substitute into the one rotational position, except that once substituted for a particular position they are "locked" into that group of athletes. (i.e. athletes who have substituted for that position) and may not substitute within another group.

I 10		II 4		III 11		IV 2		V 1		VI 7	
6	9					5					
10	3					2					
9						5					
8						2					
10											
8											

- In the example shown above, we can see that the starting line-up is 10, 4, 11, 2, 1 and 7. This means that these athletes have taken the court once already. The coach has seen fit to substitute into the position "I" group the athletes 6, 9, 8 and 3. Number 10 has taken the court three times and thus has finished his/her set as indicated by the circle. (As has athlete 2 in position IV).
- These athletes: 10, 6, 9, 8 and 3, are locked into the group in position I and none of them can be used to substitute into another position in this set. For example, athlete 9 has only appeared twice so far and can therefore make another appearance on court but only in position I and only if no more than twelve substitutions are used per set. In the example shown, all twelve substitutions have been used.
- When recording the substitutions go DOWN THE LEFT side column for each position and when the left is full go DOWN THE RIGHT side column.

26. Appendix 3 – Under 13 Rule Amendments

Service

- Once a player has served three successive points, the serving team must rotate, allowing a new player to serve.

Finals

- There are no finals for the under 13 competitions.

Uniform

- Uniforms are to be in accordance with section 10 of these Regulations, but uniforms are not required to be numbered.

Ball

- The ball to be used for under 13 competitions will be the SpikeZone ball.

Court Size

- Court length will be reduced to 7 metres on each side. Court width will remain at 9 metres.