

ALOHA REGION Junior Try-out Policy

The Junior Development Committee of the Aloha Region (Region) has the charter to not only promote and grow the sport of volleyball, but to also look out for the well-being and development of its membership.

Participation in interscholastic sports activities promotes citizenship and sportsmanship. They instill a sense of pride in community, teach lifelong lessons of teamwork and self-discipline and facilitate the physical and emotional development of our youth. Participation in high school activities is a valuable part of the overall high school experience.

To aid in maintaining our goal the Region will be adopting the following policy:

TRY-OUT DATES

In consideration of the players participating in their high school volleyball season and to allow these players to enjoy the camaraderie and social interaction which is one of the fundamental reasons for high school sports, it is the Region's position that this period be one of non-recruitment and/or club/team tryouts. It is the Region's position that the players obtain full benefit of high school sports without the added pressures and distractions of recruitment and tryouts.

To that end, the Region has adopted the following policy:

Girls:

- 14 years old and under* - club/team tryouts may not be held or scheduled until the conclusion of the intermediate volleyball season or **October 15th**, whichever occurs first;
- 15 years old and older - club/team tryouts may not be held or scheduled until the conclusion of the Hawaii High School Athletic Association (HHSAA) State High School Volleyball Championships. If a 14 year old is playing with a varsity high school team s/he may not tryout until the later date.

* 14 years old and under is inclusive of younger age divisions, i.e., 13 and under, 12 and under, etc.

Boys:

- Club/team tryouts may be held or scheduled after August 1.

COMMITMENT DATES

For the 2011 - 12 season, all junior girls' clubs will have a commitment date no earlier than the following dates for the various age divisions:

1. Girls 14 and Under Divisions - **October 28th, 2011**
2. Girls 15 and 16 and Under Divisions - **November 25th, 2011**
3. Girls 17 and 18 and Under Divisions - **November 25th, 2011**

A commitment date is defined as the first date that a club can obtain a deposit as a means for accepting a spot for their club team and have the deposit be non-refundable.

Please note, that for a club to be eligible to participate in the Aloha Region's tournaments – age division, power tournaments, or Bid Tournament - the club must abide by the tryout and commitment dates set forth by the Aloha Region. However, abiding by the tryout and commitment dates does not guarantee entry into the event.

Non-compliance with the above policies will result in sanction for the team/club; up to and including USAV suspension commensurate with the violation.