



FINAL INFORMATION FOR COACHES, TEAMS, AND SPECTATORS

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Waves:

- The 3 -day event June 11-13, 2021 is for 13u thru 18u Girls and the Friday/Saturday Playing Waves are 16u/15u Girls 8:00 am to 2:00, The 13u, 14u, 18u/17u Playing Waves for Friday/Saturday is 2:30-7:30 match times. Sunday, June 13 there are no waves—playing time depends on seed and could be as early as 8:00 am
- The 2-day event June 14-15, 2021 is for Girls 12u-13u-14u-15u-16u and Boys 14u—there is only one wave starting at 8:00 am both days

COVID-19 Protocols

- We must abide by city, county, state and Navy Pier mandates which are ever changing for the better!
- Currently Navy Pier requires masks for all players, staff, and spectators indoors and outdoors—if that changes by the time our event begins we will post that at the event
- Please be prepared for all athletes to bring multiple masks in case of breakage—we are lobbying for athletes not to have to wear while playing, and hopeful that rule will be lifted by June 11
- Navy Pier has implanted many Covid-19 protocols to help reduce the spread and you can view their operational plan at this site: <https://navypier.org/plan-your-visit/covid-19-information/>
- Anyone not adhering to the current mask policy/covid policies in place at the time of event will be asked to leave by the tournament staff and security



Capacity

- We have exciting news that capacity has been increased so we won't have to turn anyone away at the door! It is based on fire code capacity/percentage and we will never exceed that.. so, encourage those who did not buy advance tickets while we had to monitor capacity, they can now attend and purchase at the venue
- In addition, ironically it is expected that with the numbers of Covid cases decreasing rapidly for the better, Chicago is expected to go to 100% capacity the day we open- June 11th!!

Spectator Tickets Are Wristbands

- Wristbands are issued specific to the day of the tournament and must be worn on the day indicated on the band. There are no refunds or exchanges for improper days or wristbands that can't be used
- Attendees must place their own wristband on, they are not transferable to another person for same day usage—anyone caught giving their wristband to another person will be ejected

Purchasing Attendee Wristbands at the Venue

- We have recently been informed with new capacity rules, we can provide the sale of attendee wristbands at the Venue on the days of the event! One day tickets are \$15.00, 3-day Friday-Sunday bands are \$35 a set and 2-day Monday-Tuesday bands are \$25 a set ...Cash only is accepted for onsite sales/no Refunds or Exchanges
- Encourage those who missed out on buying advanced tickets to attend—no one will be turned away—venue opens at 7:00 am daily and will be sold at the Check in Booths, Rooms 202-203 of Festival Hall. This is right at the entrance to the Playing Courts.

Parking

- Navy Pier is offering Parking Packages that guarantee you a space---these are limited to the two garages they operate-EAST AND WEST...these rates are for 24 hours so anyone staying in hotels should take advantage and leave their cars in Navy Pier...go to this site to purchase parking pass:

https://2ba3d101-61a2-47ad-baf8-8b20a75e8071.filesusr.com/ugd/093ad5_d6c15f55575241f2a54a7ad5297fe34c.pdf



Playing Format

- We are using traditional 4-team pools, with the exception of having to use occasional 5-team pools or 3 by 3 cross pools due to odd numbers in an age division
In the event of a late drop out of a team where there is no option but to have a 3-team pool, the auto-three format will be used----3 games versus the other two opponents. Although we truly dislike when this happens, we have no control over late drops
- Warmup before each match is 10 minutes—2 minutes court warm up on your side of the court/ 4 minutes each team alone...DO NOT SHAG BALLS FOR OPPONENTS!
- All matches are 2/3 sets, there are NO TIE BREAKERS ALLOWED TO ADVANCE TEAMS
- Ties are broken in order of: 1. Match Record, 2. Set Percentage, 3. Points Percentage, 4. If all else fails, coin flip
- Teams are assigned as work teams when off—check the schedule for assignments. Teams are to provide two lines judges, two scorers to flip and keep score...Coaches are expected to monitor their work teams
- In the 3 Day Event June 11-13, Friday and Saturday are Pool Play, Day 3 is Single Elimination
- In the 2-day Event June 14-15, Day 1 is Pool Play, Day 2 is single Elimination, consolation
- Teams will filter down after Pool Play into Gold, Silver, Bronze, Copper Divisions, etc. depending on finish

Awards

- Gold Division Champions Receive a Trophy and Gold Medals
- Gold Division Runner Up receives Silver Medals
- Gold Division Semi Finalists Receive Bronze Medals (no playoff for 3rd)
- All Silver, Bronze, Copper Division Winners 1st Place Only Receive Bronze Medals

Sportsmanship

- The Event staff and Navy Pier will not tolerate acts of harassment, failure to follow covid protocols, poor sportsmanship, etc. The Event Director will utilize Navy Pier Security to resolve or remove anyone exhibiting ANY Acts detrimental to the event and /or safety and comfort of the participants and attendees.
- **OUTSIDE CHAIRS NOT PERMITTED-PLEASE DO NOT MOVE CHAIRS**

Medical Staff

- Athletico will be on hand to attend to injuries and a Navy Pier designated Paramedic will be on duty as well

- Ice will only be given for INJURIES sustained at the event, no PREVENTATIVE ICE
- Gatorade, one of our valued sponsors will be on hand to distribute Gatorade replenishing fuel for competing athletes

Officiating

- R1 officials will be provided on all matches, some of the championship matches will also have an R2
- WE follow USAV rules, with our own JVA modifications as this event is sanctioned and insured as a JVA Event

Schedule

- Schedule will go live in AES by the Sunday before, June 6 we anticipate at www.advancedeventsystems.com
- Please pass on to your players and parents how to follow in AES—it's quite simple—maybe their athletes can bookmark the page on their smart phones! We spend immense time answering what court their athlete plays on, when is the next match, what were the scores, etc. when its quite easy to teach someone how to follow
- Common questions we get before the event is what exact time do they play—until AES is posted—its simple to say you have a $\frac{3}{4}$ chance of playing or working first match of wave

Rosters

- This is a JVA event, you do NOT need to join JVA, USAV or AAU to have your players on the roster. PUT YOUR ROSTER IN AES
- Also, JVA allows waivers...email us the name and team and we can place them on roster as waived
- JVA rule on waivers is: JVA will allow age waived players in club division competitions where the age waiver will allow the athlete to play at grade level with their peers provided they are not more than one year older than the current age definition
- If you don't put your roster in AES at Check In, you will need to produce one
- Bolster your roster by adding anyone in the age category or eligible for a waiver to make sure you have enough players

