

FOREIGN GUEST COACH POLICY

The Policy on Foreign Individual and Foreign Team Participation (FP Policy) states “Concurrent registration with more than one National Volleyball Federation is prohibited.” Therefore, coaches who reside outside of the United States and are registered with a foreign volleyball federation cannot be registered with USA Volleyball, nor with the USA Regional Volleyball Association (RVA) in which they are participating.

These individuals must complete the Foreign Participation registration form, not the USA Volleyball registration form. The Foreign Participation fee (\$10 to the national office) covers insurance. The RVA may charge additional fees as it deems necessary (such as for background screening).

A Foreign Guest Coach of any team must meet the following criteria:

1. Be registered with his/her National Volleyball Federation.
2. Meet all criteria for a Foreign Team Participant as outlined in the current “Policy on Foreign Individual and Foreign Team Participation.” The Foreign Guest Coach must present documentation from his/her Federation that states he/she is registered, is in good standing and has the Federation's permission to assist a team in the United States.
3. Be at least 19 years old or no longer eligible to participate as a junior player according to the Junior Player Age Definition.

A Foreign Guest Coach of a junior team must also meet these additional criteria:

1. Complete a background screening form for Foreign Participation (Consent and Waiver Release form for Non-US citizens) and be cleared according to the listed criteria.
 - a. In addition, the coach may be asked to provide documentation from his/her Federation covering some type of background screening, stating the individual is clear of any of the behavior that would prevent a coach from coaching according to the Federation's policies.
 - b. The documentation related to the background screening and the non-citizen consent and waiver form must be submitted to the RVA office. The RVA office shall forward the form to the National Office for submission to the USA Volleyball approved background screening vendor.
2. Be under the supervision of an adult rostered head coach who is registered with USA Volleyball through the RVA. This head coach must have a current background screening and meet any other requirements of USA Volleyball and the RVA. In addition, the Foreign Guest Coach must also meet all requirements of USA Volleyball and the RVA in order to be listed on the roster as an assistant coach.

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