

USA Volleyball

Alcohol and Junior Events

USAV prohibits the use of alcohol beverages during all junior events. Even with this rule there are situations where alcohol might be present at a junior event due to the location where the event is being staged. Many facilities which have volleyball courts also have restaurants and bars located within or adjacent to the facility. When this occurs the event director should take special precautions to limit alcohol reaching the viewing area of the courts and to limit junior access to the area where liquor is being sold. Below are listed some recommendations for conducting a safe event for juniors where alcohol is present:

1. The viewing area where spectators are present should clearly denote alcohol is not permitted in the general viewing area.
2. Volunteers should be instructed to be on alert for patrons possessing alcoholic beverage and how to deal with the situation.
3. Ideally, there should be separate access for the juniors to get to their playing area, separate from the area where alcohol is served.
4. If this is not possible, the area where alcohol is served and consumed should be roped off and clearly indicated that no juniors are allowed.
5. No alcohol is permitted in the areas where the junior event is held.
6. The facility must have its own liquor license and insurance which should be properly posted.
7. The event, the event director, USAV and the club should be included as additional insureds under the liquor license.

If you should encounter any additional questions regarding this issue please contact USAV national office.

