

2020 – 2021 Little Giants Juniors



Parent Handbook

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To: All Club Parents
From: Little Giants Volleyball Club

RE: Parent Information

Welcome to the 2020-2021 Junior Volleyball season. In our constant search to help the parents better understand what club is all about, what their athlete is doing, and what to expect, the LGVC has put together this information booklet to better inform you, the parent. **All information and schedules are subject to change. Please contact your Club Director with any questions.**

A) FACILITY REGULATIONS

Parents, we ask for your help in regulating the “**NO FOOD IN THE GYM**” rule. Please remember that neither your club nor the LGVC owns these facilities and that if we wish to have facilities for our athletes to play in, then we must take care of them. This season all facilities will follow the same rules. Please note that these are facilities’ rules. Parents, please follow the following rules:

NO: Outside food or drink allowed in any facility. Water only in a bottle with a lid.

NO: Animals at any facility with the exception of registered service animals.

NO: Skateboards, roller blades, or any type of bicycle.

NO: Coolers inside any facility.

Court and sitting areas around the court must be kept clean throughout the trainings and tournaments and junior competitions.

** If any team, player, parent or supporter introduces and/or consumes alcoholic beverages in or about the facility, the penalty will be immediate disqualification.

Thank you in advance for your good example and co-operation in regards to these rules.

B) REGISTRATION

In order to participate in an LGVC event, all individuals **MUST** be registered with the LGVC. This pertains to all on-court activities: , calling lines, keeping score, etc. Your Club Director will have all of the information and registration forms for the LGVC when attending an away game or tournament. They are responsible for handing them out, making sure they are **filled out correctly**.

Only registered athletes will be permitted to play.

As a parent, please take an extra minute to read what you are signing and make sure the form/s is filled out correctly. This will speed things up and get your athlete onto the trainings and on the court faster when its is a junior tournament or game day.

C) BACKGROUND SCREENING

If you plan on attending any junior volleyball tournament or game as a supporter, which includes all Qualifiers, Junior National Championships, London Grand

Prix tournaments, you will need to inform us in advance.

NO background screening is allowed during junior volleyball training sessions and non of the trainers or coaches are expected to remind any parent this rule.

D) AGE DIVISIONS

The following age groups shall be in effect for players

a) 18 and under competition: players born on or after September 1st, 2002

b) 17 and under division: players born on or after September 1st, 2003.

c) 16 and under division: players born on or after September 1st, 2004.

d) 15 and under division: players born on or after September 1st, 2005.

e) 14 and under division: players born on or after September 1st, 2006.

f) 12 and under division: players born on or after September 1st, 2008.

**** Please note that a junior athlete or team may sometimes be eligible to play in two age groups during the same season.**

E) DIVISION FORMAT

Tournaments are designed to give maximum competition to each athlete in our program and to allow them to achieve a healthy and satisfactory attitude towards themselves, their teammates and the sport of volleyball. For all age groups U15, U16, U17, there is a series of Qualifying tournaments by the National Governing Body, Volleyball England, which determine the qualifiers for the next stage of the competition for each team. Following these Qualifying tournaments, there will be a series of Mandatory Tournaments. There will be movement of teams between divisions depending upon the finishing positions of each team during Qualifying tournaments. Contact your Club Director for an updated schedule.

F) POLICIES FOR COMMITMENT

A commitment date for weekly trainings is defined as the first date that a club can obtain full payment for the junior who registers for the trainings termly. A commitment date for any tournament participation would mean the membership fee has been paid as a means for accepting a spot to participate in junior competitions for their club.

Payments are non refundable and non- transferrable. By signing registration and commitment forms, your

player is committing to the club for the season. There is no transfer policy.

G) FROZEN ROSTERS

Once a team earns and accepts a bid in a Qualifier or at a Bid Event or applies for a bid in an at-large process, then the roster of that team is frozen. All players listed on the roster of a qualified team for the Junior National Championships or London Gran Prix series may not transfer to any other team in the season.

Officials: The LGVC attempts to provide officials for all scheduled home junior tournaments and games however we ask parents to help with scoring , second refereeing and helping out managing our juniors when off court. We also ask our parents that you refrain from any verbal abuse directed at first referees who are doing their best to officiate the matches.

H) SUPERVISION

A registered LGVC coach is **required** to supervise **all** team members during any LGVC competition. The LGVC is not responsible for “baby sitting.” This pertains to **all** age levels. If the designated supervisor is someone other than the coach, the Tournament Director must be notified.

The reason your athlete is out on the court is to have fun and to learn the sport of volleyball. We ask that you help the LGVC in applying all that you

***have read in this booklet. We wish all athletes
Good Luck when the season starts!***
