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#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this policy is to outline a clear and consistent framework for how Mariners Volleyball Club teams may participate in Volleyball Canada's National Championships. It provides guidance on eligibility, team decision-making, funding responsibilities, coach involvement, and playing time expectations, ensuring that all participants and families understand the structure and requirements of this optional event.

#### **Eligibility & Participation Guidelines**

Mariners Volleyball Club supports participation in the National Championships for Club and Performance teams in the 14U to 18U age categories.

- **Application Process**

Teams interested in attending Nationals must submit an Expression of Interest to the Mariners Volleyball Club Board of Directors no later than the last day of school before the Winter vacation of the competition year.

- **Team Commitment Requirements**

- A formal parent/guardian vote must take place prior to submission.
- A minimum of 10 of the athletes/families per team must be in favour of attending in order for the team's request to proceed.
- The vote must be documented and submitted along with the Expression of Interest.

- **Trip Funding and Organization**

- If approved, the event will be parent-funded and parent-organized.

- Participation in Nationals is entirely funded outside of Mariners Volleyball Club and is in addition to annual club fees.
- No Nationals-related monies will be collected, managed, or processed by the club. All planning, budgeting, and payments are to be handled independently by participating families.
- The coaching staff may offer support and guidance where appropriate, but the organization and execution of the trip is fully parent-driven.

### **National Championships Playing Time Policy**

To ensure fairness and clarity, the following expectations will guide playing time during the National Championships: **TBA.**

**Approved by the Board of Directors:** August 18, 2025