



## Age Falsification Policy

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### USA VOLLEYBALL AGE AND IDENTITY FALSIFICATION POLICY

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For all USVBA corporate events, any person who alters any document that certifies the age or identity of a participant, or falsifies any statement which lists the age or identity of a participant, will be sanctioned as follows:

**Any team representative**, coach, program director or responsible adult found to be party to such action shall:

1. Be immediately suspended from registration with the USVBA and barred from further participation in the event; and
2. Be barred from participation in any USVBA events in any capacity for a minimum of two (2) years; and
3. Have a minimum probation of one additional year, to run consecutively to the suspension.

**A junior player** who knowingly plays in a lower age classification than he or she is actually eligible for, or an adult player who knowingly plays in a higher age classification than he or she is actually eligible for, or any player who knowingly misrepresents his or her identity shall:

1. Be immediately suspended from registration with the USVBA and barred from further participation in the event;
2. Be barred from participation in any USVBA events in any capacity, for a minimum of two (2) years; and
3. Have a minimum probation of one additional year, to run consecutively to the suspension.

**When discovered and confirmed** during an event, these penalties shall be the required minimum penalty imposed by the Event Arbitrator or the Event Ethics and Eligibility Committee.

Any player in question must provide proof of identity and age eligibility, if requested.

The Event Arbitrator or the Event Ethics and Eligibility Appeals Committee shall file a report of any age or identity violation with the Corporation's Ethics and Eligibility Appeals Committee and with the registering Member Organization with its recommendation.