

2024-2025 Winter Tryout Letter of Intent (LOI)

IMPORTANT - READ CAREFULLY

It is important to read this entire document before signing it.

Please retain a copy of your signing LOI.

This is a Winter Tryout document for the **12U-18U Age Groups** for the **2024-2025 Season**. Athletes and Clubs should review the [2024-2025 Age Classes](#) before signing the LOI.

Winter Tryouts can only be held starting **Sunday, November 24, 2024**.

I, _____, hereby confirm my intent to sign with _____, hereafter referred to as “my LOI Club”, for the 2024-2025 Volleyball Alberta indoor club season (“the VA Club Season”) and declare that I accept and acknowledge the following terms of this Letter of Intent (LOI):

Voluntary

1) I have voluntarily entered this LOI, which is a prerequisite for my eligibility to participate in the VA Club Season.

Privacy

2) I agree to have my name, age class, position, and club listed on the Volleyball Alberta LOI Registry.

Timing, Duration, and Deadlines

- 3) This LOI can only be registered for the upcoming VA Club Season.
- 4) This LOI will remain in effect until the conclusion of the 2024-2025 VA Club Season. Athletes are committed to that club for the upcoming season, or if a release has been processed.
- 5) As evidence however, that I have carefully reviewed and considered my rights and obligations. I have until 48 hours from the time received, should I choose to sign with my LOI club, unless an agreed upon deadline extension has been documented.
- 6) Delivery of this LOI may be made by hand delivery, or emailed, to my LOI club.

Penalty for Breach

7) This LOI is subject to Volleyball Alberta regulations and my failure to abide by its terms could result in a review by Volleyball Alberta.

Recruiting and Contact by Representatives of Volleyball Alberta Clubs

- 8) The 2024-2025 Volleyball Alberta Season of Play runs until May 31. This means that athletes are still committed to their current clubs as Letters of Intent expire at the end of the VA Club Season (May 31) and no communication or recruiting of signed club athletes can occur during the season of play.
- 9) The maximum number of offers that can be distributed at any given time is equal to the number of athletes a team is committing to carry.

- 10) Any club that holds tryouts outside of the Fall and Winter Tryout dates will be subject to the [Discipline and Complaints Policy](#), and any subsequent sanctions resulting from that process. Clubs that are in violation of Volleyball Alberta and Volleyball Canada policies may also lose their standing to compete in [International Events](#).
 - a. Failure to follow the guidelines for the 2024-2025 Signing and Tryouts Process will result in a review. To submit a concern, please direct it to conduct@volleyballalberta.ca.

Request for Release Form – Club

- 11) To obtain a release from my LOI obligation, I must file a LOI Release Request Form with my LOI club. The LOI Request for Release Form and its requirements is available from the Volleyball Alberta website.
- 12) I have signed this LOI with the club and not with a particular individual. I agree to remain bound to the terms hereof except due to extenuating circumstances.
- 13) This LOI is a shared agreement between the club and athlete. **The signing does not provide ownership over the player, but the player/family must meet the financial commitment outlined in the agreement and the club's refund policy should they seek a release. Prior to signing, athletes and families are responsible for reviewing the club's policies such as:** refunds, playing time, travel, coaching code of conducts, ethics, expectations, concussion management, conflict resolution, athlete code of conduct, media sharing, etc.
- 14) Even if I have submitted a Release Request Form, I am prohibited from initiating or responding to contact from another club (for the purpose of attending that club) until my LOI Release Request Form is approved.
- 15) My LOI club has 5 clear days to provide their response to my Request for Release. If no response is received within that time, or in the alternative, the response is negative, I can directly apply for a Volleyball Alberta review as outlined below.
- 16) My LOI Club's refund policy is in effect at the time of signing.

Letter of Intent Release Request Form

- 17) Volleyball Alberta will consider petitions for a complete release from a LOI when extenuating circumstances are determined to exist, and the decision of Volleyball Alberta's Review Council is final and binding.
- 18) The Volleyball Alberta LOI Request for Release Form and its requirements is available from the Volleyball Alberta website.

LOI Becomes Null and Void

- 19) This LOI shall be declared null and void if:
 - a. My LOI club (or a representative) violated the Volleyball Alberta rules while signing me as found through the recruiting process:
 - i. The athlete is assigned to a different team than stated on the LOI form.
 - ii. Club fees are more than the stated range.
 - b. Athletes and families must still request a release and submit the form to their LOI Club.

Club Signatures Required Prior to Submission

- 20) Before submission to the athlete and their familiar, this LOI must be signed and dated by:
 - a. Club President (or his/her authorized representative)
 - b. Head Coach (not mandatory)

Athlete Signature Required

21) The athlete is required to sign the LOI.

Parent/Guardian Signature Required

22) A parent or legal guardian must sign the LOI if the athlete is under 18 years of age at the time of signing.

Additional Athlete/Family Information

Once an athlete has signed an LOI, they are required to inform another VA Club's representative that you have done so; upon any subsequent contact by the same VA Club for the same purpose, you should notify the Club President of your LOI Club within 48 hours.

Can I practice with my prospective VA Club team? Clubs are strongly encouraged NOT to facilitate training or programs during July and August and the school season to prevent athlete burnout, overtraining, and/or overuse injuries. Athlete physical and mental wellness best practices should be applied outside the indoor club season.

- High School Volleyball Eligibility – Please see the [Alberta Schools' Athletic Association \(ASAA\) & VA's Joint Memo](#)
- More information and FAQ's can be found in the [2024-2025 VA Tryout & Signing Process](#)



2024-2025 Winter Tryout LOI Information and Signatures

Copies must be maintained by the club and family. All information is required unless otherwise stated.

Name of Athlete: _____ Club Name: _____

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY): _____ Team Name: _____

Sportlomo Member ID: _____ Age Category/Gender: _____

Sportlomo Account Email: _____ Name of Coach (optional): _____

Club Fees Total (a range is acceptable): _____

Club Fees include: _____

Club Fees exclude: _____

Additional Information: _____

Athletes and families are responsible for reviewing club policies such as: refunds, playing time, travel, coaching code of conduct, ethics, expectation, concussion management, conflict resolution, athlete code of conduct, media sharing.

Signing Offer Date & Time (MM/DD/YYYY, HH:MM)

Signing Deadline (MM/DD/YYYY, HH:MM)

Club President or Designate Name (Print)

Signed (Club President or Designate)

Date (MM/DD/YYYY)

Signed (Head Coach if applicable)

Date (MM/DD/YYYY)

Prospective Athlete to Complete:

Athlete Name (Print)

Age Class of Athlete in 2024-2025

Athlete Signature

Date Signed (MM/DD/YYYY)

Signed (parent/guardian if under 18)

Date Signed (MM/DD/YYYY)

Directions to the Prospective Athlete

Please email a copy of your duly signed LOI to your LOI club.

The Winter Tryout LOI expires 48 hours after the time it was received unless a deadline extension is documented.