

***Forward this email and attachments to all players/families attending the ASC 1 Tournament ***

Your team is signed up to participate in the ASC #1 tournament that will occur on January 2, 2021. Additional detailed information will be sent out as we monitor the COVID levels in both Travis and Williamson Counties.

Participation in our event is voluntary. By registering for the event, you are consenting to our event policies. At any point in time, the following could change due to COVID orders.

1 coach per team must be in the building at all times to monitor match progress.

Teams can come in when the match prior to them reaches 20 point in the second set, or at 10 points if a third set is being played. Coaches are responsible for communicating with their athletes throughout the tournament.

Tournament Schedule, Wave Times, & Flow Charts

All information is posted on our **tournament website**. Final schedule and flow charts will be published the week of the event.

Team Check-In

All teams **must check-in online** prior to their first match. There will be no on-site check-in and no paper copies will be accepted at the event. A cell phone number of the coach onsite **must** be entered into AES.

Live Stream

Live stream through Austin Sports Center Cedar Park's camera system will be available for the same price as an admission ticket for the day. Live stream purchases are valid for 24 hours and must be purchased **the day of play** for the event. Click **here** for live stream.

COVID-19 Health and Safety

The abuse of the following protocols will result in removal from the venue. There is a zero-tolerance policy for putting the health of others at risk. By attending a Lone Star Region event, participants and spectators assume risks related to exposure to COVID-19.

- No one attending the event should:
 - Be waiting for the results of a COVID test
 - Have had symptoms in the past 24 hours
 - Been in close contact with another person that has tested positive for COVID 7-10 days before the tournament
- Temperatures will be taken before entering the facility.
- Teams that are not playing or refereeing need to be outside the building. A coach can stay in the building to monitor court schedule and match progress.

- Coaches are responsible for monitoring match progress and ensuring their team is on time to matches and officiating duties.
- Team meetings must be outside after matches due to capacity restrictions.
- Teams are not allowed to warm up in open areas. Warm up must be on the court when you are scheduled to play.
- Each team should bring their own ball bag for warm up.
- Electronic hand whistles are strongly encouraged. You must wear a mask to blow into a whistle NO EXCEPTIONS.
- Remind teams to bring their own hand sanitizer and an extra mask!

For general tournament protocol regarding masks, social distancing and spectators please see the <u>General</u> <u>COVID Safety Information</u>.

Mask Policy

Masks will be **required at all times by everyone**. Neck gaiters that fall during play are ineffective and not allowed. Masks must be worn **over the nose and mouth**. Masks pulled down under the chin or nose are not acceptable. Review the image below for how to wear a mask. Coaches are responsible for enforcing this policy for their teams.

Failure to consider the health of others and follow our event policy will result in removal from the event by the tournament director. If staff have to repeatedly remind individuals of mask wearing policies, you will be asked to leave the venue. We will not be lenient.



Roster Limitations

We will have to limit roster sizes this year to stay under capacity restrictions. A maximum of <u>12 players and 3</u> <u>coaches per team</u> will be allowed on the roster. All USAV requirements must be met. <u>If your team has</u> <u>more than 12 players, contact us asap.</u>

Work Teams

Only the athletes that are working the match are allowed to stay in the gym. Extra athletes not officiating that are off between matches need to leave the building. They can come back in for their next match.

Roster Validation & USAV Requirements

AES, Sport Engine, and the USAV Membership Dept are still working to fix issues related to roster verification. This process is very time consuming for club directors and region membership staff – it can take weeks to get this done. Start working on your rosters now if you have not done so already, do not delay this.

It is pretty much a guarantee that if you attempt to submit your roster a few days before the event there will be a problem that will prevent a player or coach from being on the roster.

Spectators

This tournament is small and that is why we are able to offer the ability to spectate. <u>Future tournaments</u> may be different depending on the number of teams and the COVID situation.

1 spectator per athlete will be allowed to purchase a ticket for the event. 1 chair will be set out for each spectator to sit in during matches. Standing and loitering is not allowed. Chairs are for spectators of the teams that are playing – not work teams and not off/resting teams. If your child's team is not playing, you are not allowed to sit in a chair. You must leave the gym. We cannot have people standing around and gathering – do this outside.

Trainers

Athletic Trainers will always be present on-site throughout the tournament. They are available to attend to all athletic training and sport injury needs.

Parking & Venue Rules

Please visit Tour of Texas Warm Up Venue Policies and Parking information on the event website. Tents are allowed to be set up outside the venues. Tents may not disrupt traffic flow or be in parking spaces. All trash must be removed before you leave.

Questions & Contact Information

Contact eventstaff@austinsportscenter.com for questions regarding the event.

The more masking and social distancing compliance we have at this tournament, the more likely we will be able to continue to have spectators and a volleyball season. This season is about giving the kids a chance to play during a very difficult year for all of us – please think about the athletes first before putting others' health at risk. Complain less and smile more is our anthem for this year, we are all going through rough times. A mutual understanding that we are doing our best to run tournaments safely and follow the law is appreciated.

Thank you,

Austin Sports Center Events Staff