

Now that you've all been accepted to the work at the 2019 AAU National Volleyball Championships, it's time to make sure all your information is correct. I will work on the hotel information in the next week or so. So YOU need to look at the list of accepted referees posted on my website at omnevb.net and check your information.

I need you check your hotel dates. If you have a date checked that means you are leaving the next morning. So your listed departure date and the last night you need a hotel should be 2 different dates. This information is best viewed on a computer, not your phone. If you need assistance in checking your dates, try to check with one of your friends first. But if you need to change your dates, email me immediately.

When looking for your name (and your last name is towards the bottom of the alphabet), know there are 2 pages. Go to the bottom of the sheet and you will see the link to the 2nd page.

Remember the hotel policy change this year that was noted in the referee invitation document stated that if YOU want to come earlier than June 16 or stay later than your specific session, you must make your own hotel arrangements.

CHECK IN DATE - If one of your hotel dates is highlighted, then there's something wrong. If you noted a SA June 15 check-in date, you must find your own hotel for the night of SA June 15. The first night I will make a reservation for you is SU June 16. You can either make your own reservation with the hotel through a special link on my website or you can find your own hotel for that night. Let me know if I should change your check-in date. The last date to tell me about changes will be Friday May 3. After that date, I will automatically change it for you.

CHECK-OUT DATE – If your check-out date is highlighted, then there's something wrong. Your checkout date should match the last date you are working or the following date. If your check-out date is beyond one of those 2 dates, then you need to make your own reservation. Again, either at the hotel through the provided link or find your own room.

LOOKING TO SHARE AN EARLY/LATE ROOM – There is a form on my website, where you can post a message looking for a roommate or looking to share for certain dates. This form should only be used to share an early or late night. Do not use this form to make requests to me as I will NOT monitor this site. This is a self-help site.

Check your requested roommate's dates too. Because I have limited hotel rooms available, I might need change your roommate, if your departure date does not match your requested roommate's departure date. If I have rooms available and one of you is staying longer than the other one, there will be a charge to the one who stays in the room without the other. This applies even to dates that AAU would normally cover. The normal hotel room policy states that AAU will cover ½ of hotel room, if shared with another referee. So check with your requested roommate and make sure your dates are the same. Or let me know that one of you will pay for the difference.

If you do not have a requested roommate or your requested roommate is now not coming, check on the list of accepted referees for someone you'd like to room with. Check with them, then send me an email with that request.

You will have until Friday May 3 to make any arrival or departure changes. After May 3, I will attempt to make the date change with the hotel, but there could be an additional fee of \$40 for that change. So check your arrival and departure dates carefully. Check with your requested roommate to make sure they got this message. Check with your friends to make sure they saw this message. Check with your acquaintances to make sure they saw this message. The list of attendees is posted to my website.

If your dates are correct and no change is required, it is NOT necessary to email me.

If you requested a room with your spouse or by yourself, you will assigned a king room and charged \$40 per night for each night. If you are bringing additional family members, you will be assigned a double/double room and the price is \$79 per night. If a suite is requested, the price is higher.

I am using mailchimp as an email message provider because of the large number of referees on this list. Please do not delete messages from mailchimp. Some of you might need to put mailchimp on your list of accepted emails, so the

message does not get sent into spam or you automatically get deleted from this message provider. All messages that I send through the service are also posted on my website.

I am also using another email address – omnevb@gmail.com. You might receive messages from me through that email provider too. I have an OMNEVB facebook page where I will try to post more messages. Make sure you like that page.

REFEREE TRAINING CAMP

I still have a couple of spots left in the referee training camp. Here is the info about the camp:

A referee training camp will be offered. The camp will be 2 days in length. The camp will be held TU June 18 and WE June 19. The camp will be limited to officials who primarily work AAU tournaments. Referees who have a current USAV Junior National rating or are a Junior National candidate are not eligible. There will be a classroom session, followed by observations by trained raters/observers. In addition to observation matches, campers will have an opportunity to work at least one or two matches with a trainer as their partner. Referees will not be paid for the matches they work during the camp. Referees will still be housed during this time. To apply for this fantastic opportunity, click on the link on the omnevb.net website (under the AAU National tournament tab). The camp will be limited to 12 referees. The cost for the camp will be \$50 and will be payable upon arrival at the tournament.

I know many of you have been working lots over the past few weekends, but Qualifier season is now over, as well as the Girls 18's National Championships. I hope you get some down time during the month of May before we start into the summer season. I'm looking forward to seeing all of you soon,