



2025

Selkirk Royals Boys Volleyball Team Handbook

13U: Born Sept 1, 2011 to Dec 31, 2012 or later

14U: Born –Sept 1, 2010 to Dec 31, 2011

15U: Born – Sept 1, 2009 to Dec 31, 2010

16U: Born Sept 1, 2008 to Dec 31, 2009

17U: Born Sept 1, 2007 to Dec 31, 2008

Club Vision

13U & 14U:

To develop skills and fundamentals with an early introduction to competitive team play. 13U & 14U will practice 2-4 times a week and will have 4-5 tournaments. These teams will also compete in:

- VM Provincials
 - 13U – May 2-4 (Brandon) & April 18-20 (14U Provincials) in Niverville
 - 14U – April 18-20 (Niverville)
- Canadian Open National Championships
 - Winnipeg, May 9-11

15U & 16U

To be a successful and competitive boys' volleyball program that will promote growth and development fundamentally for all team members. This team will practice 2-4 times a week and will have 4-5 tournaments.

These teams will act as a potential feeder to high school volleyball programs and will enter and compete in:

- VM Provincials
 - 15U – April 18-20 (Steinbach)
 - 16U – May 2-4 (Niverville)
- Canadian Open National Championships (Edmonton)
 - 15U – May 9-11
 - 16U – May 23-25

17U

To provide an opportunity for high school athletes to play club volleyball in a competitive program and to develop skills they will be able to take back to their high school teams to have success in their grade 12 seasons.

This team will practice 2-4 times a week and will have 4-5 tournaments as well as:

- VM Provincials
 - April 25-27 (Brandon)
- Canadian Open National Championships (Edmonton)
 - 17U - May 15-17

Practices

Practices for 13U - 17U will start in approximately the middle of January. Teams will practice 2-4 times a week. These practices will be regularly scheduled each week however coaches might alter the schedule as needed during the season.

13U - Mondays 630-8 at Ecole Bonaventure; Wednesdays 6-745 at Ecole Bonaventure; Thursdays 630-8 at Ecole Bonaventure

14U – Mondays 530-730 at Centennial; Tuesdays 830-10 at Lockport; Thursdays 530-715 at Daerwood

15U – Tuesdays 7-830 at Lockport; Thursdays 7-830 at Lockport, Friday 7-9 St. Andrews

16U – Mondays 7-830 at Lockport; Tuesdays 830-10 at ESMS; Wednesdays 7-830 at ESJH; Thursdays 7-830 at Lockport

17U – Sundays 1130-1 at Comp; Mondays 830-10 at Lockport; Tuesdays 830-10 at ESMS; Thursdays 445-715 at St. Andrews

Philosophy

It is our philosophy in coaching to develop athletes to reach their full potential as individuals and to learn to bond as a team. In bonding as a team, there must be complete trust in your coaches and your teammates.

In order to achieve success, we as a team must be:

- a) committed
 - b) hard working
 - c) coachable and
 - d) team players
- a) **Committed:** Our athletes must be committed to the team attending all practices, games and team functions. Any absences need to be pre-approved by the coaches. Athletes are asked to call their Coaches ahead of time to let them know of absences.
 - b) **Hard-working:** The athletes must work hard at each and every practice. You will be challenged both physically and mentally
 - c) **Coachable:** It is important that athletes are coachable. They need to be willing to try new things or positions to learn and to accept corrections. This is essential in order to improve and become better each and every day
 - d) **Team players:** Being a team player and being a close-knit team is critical for success. Players need to cheer for one another and accept their roles. If a player's role, prior to provincials or nationals, sees him coming off the bench to contribute, they must accept this role and to be ready to contribute to that role. Not everyone can be a starter on a team with 6 starters starting each game.

We feel that these four characteristics are extremely important for team success. But even more importantly they are valuable life skills. Being strong in these areas will help the boys become better people.

It is important that the athletes have a positive and memorable experience. Meeting new friends, sharing good times, and experiences are one of the greatest outcomes in sports. We will strive to make this volleyball team a positive, memorable, and rewarding experience. His practice time will be a very important time in his development, not just game time!

Costs

All payments are to be made by e-transfer to rhoyalsvolleyball@hotmail.com unless previous arrangements have been made for cheque or cash. Please put your son's name and team in the message of the e-transfer.

Costs are based on the assumption of 12 players per team going to Nationals

These fees include the following items:

13U

VM Fees/Insurance, Tournament & Provincial Entry Fees (both 13U and 14U), Nationals entry (Winnipeg), Player Jackets, Club Uniforms, Coaches Honorariums, Coaches Upgrades, Windup/Awards.

\$1120/player

Due at Acceptance of offer to play \$250.00 - will be applied to the Club Costs to be paid

Due January 9, 2025 - \$435

Due February 15th - \$435

14U

VM Fees/Insurance, Tournament & Provincial Entry Fees, Player Jackets, Club Uniforms, Coaches Honorariums, Coaches Upgrades, Windup/Awards, Nationals entry, etc.

\$1126/player

Due at Acceptance of offer to play \$250.00 - will be applied to the Club Costs to be paid

Due January 9, 2025 - \$438

Due February 15th - \$438

15U

VM Fees/Insurance, Tournament & Provincial Entry Fees, Player Jackets, Club Uniforms, Coaches Honorariums, Coaches Upgrades, Nationals, Windup/Awards, etc.

\$1180/athlete

Due at Acceptance of offer to play \$250.00 - will be applied to the costs of travel to Nationals

Due January 9, 2025 - \$590

Due February 15th - \$590

16U

VM Fees/Insurance, tournament & Provincial Entry Fees, Player Jackets, Uniforms (home and away), Coaches Honorariums, Coaches Upgrades, Nationals, Windup/Awards, etc.

\$1242/athlete

Due at Acceptance of offer to play \$250.00 - will be applied to the costs of travel to Nationals

Due January 9, 2025 - \$621

Due February 15th - \$621

17U

VM Fees/Insurance, tournament & Provincial Entry Fees, Player Jackets, Club Uniforms (home and away), Coaches Honorariums, Coaches Upgrades, Nationals, Windup/Awards, etc.

\$1242/athlete

Due at Acceptance of offer to play \$250.00 - will be applied to the costs of travel to Nationals

Due January 9, 2025 - \$621

Due February 15th - \$621

Cost of travel to Nationals

Approximate Costs for 13U & 14U Nationals in Winnipeg May 9-11

\$96 – due April 25th

Costs include

- Miscellaneous coaches' costs

Approximate Costs for Travel to Edmonton – 15U & 16U

Based on 2024 actual costs and projecting to 2025 – note hotels will be booked later in January through the Nationals accommodation booking process and Nationals costs will be updated following that.

Projected Costs per player

15U: \$1140 Due Feb1: \$500

16U: \$1190 Due Feb 15: \$500

Note: the \$250 deposit paid at acceptance of the offer to play will be credited against the final known costs, and the rest must be paid in two payments with the first \$500 due early February as full flight payments are due. The final amount will be due April 25th.

Costs include

- Flights
- Hotels at 3 players per room
- Vans for transporting players and coaches
- Miscellaneous coaches' costs

Flights have been booked and include a checked bag. We are permitted to drop two seats per age group (i.e. 15U, 16U) from the group booking so if you are planning to have your son travel separately from the team you will need to contact Richard Hodges by email (rhroyalsvolleyball@hotmail.com) to have their seat dropped from the flight. This will be on a first come/first serve basis.

Players will be transported in team vans

15U Competition May 8-11 Edmonton

Flights	Departs	Arrives	Seats
WS 147 Operated by: WestJet	Winnipeg, MB (YWG) May 08, 2025 12:15 PM	Edmonton, AB (YEG) May 08, 2025 01:24 PM	Information not available
WS 576 Operated by: WestJet	Edmonton, AB (YEG) May 11, 2025 08:45 PM	Winnipeg, MB (YWG) May 11, 2025 11:41 PM	Information not available

16U Competition May 22-25

Flights	Departs	Arrives	Seats
WS 147 Operated by: WestJet	Winnipeg, MB (YWG) May 22, 2025 12:15 PM	Edmonton, AB (YEG) May 22, 2025 01:24 PM	Information not available
WS 576 Operated by: WestJet	Edmonton, AB (YEG) May 25, 2025 08:45 PM	Winnipeg, MB (YWG) May 25, 2025 11:41 PM	Information not available

All these prices are subject to change. Final costs will be communicated once known and will be due April 25th. Note that activities, meals and snacks and other miscellaneous are not included in the above.

Approximate Costs for Travel to Edmonton – 17U May 14-17

No flights are being booked for players and transportation of players will be the responsibility of the parents.

Rooms will be blocked off for the team and players are expected to stay with parents or in shared rooms arranged by parents.

Flights are yet to be booked for coaches and those will be communicated to the team when known.

Projected Costs per player \$385 - due April 25th.

Costs include

- Coaches' travel, hotel rooms and miscellaneous costs.

Home Tournaments

- operation of a canteen by parents as a means of fundraising is optional
- we ask each tournament to provide and stock a Coaches' Room providing food and other refreshments for the coaches of the teams attending the tournament
- in the past a parent committee for each tournament was struck and oversaw this
- funding from the club is provided for the coaches room – and requires receipts for reimbursement
- for any tournament of 10 teams or less - up to \$200 will be provided (actual cost with receipts up to \$200 will be paid)
- for larger tournaments of more than 10 teams - \$20 per team attending will be allocated but only actual cost up to that amount will be paid with receipts to verify (i.e. 15 teams -= \$300 allocated but if receipted expenses are \$265 then only \$265 will be reimbursed).

Age Class Tournaments

13U:

1. Jr. Bisons Tournament – University of Manitoba – February 16th
2. Manitoba Volleyball Premier Tournament – March 14th/15th
3. Selkirk Home Tournament (not triple ball) – March 21/22
4. Brandon Volleyball Tournament - April 4/5 - Healthy Living Centre Brandon

Provincial Championships – May 2-4 - Brandon University

Nationals: May 9-11 Winnipeg

14U:

1. Manitoba Volleyball Premier Tournament – March 1/2 – Red River College (RRC)
2. Selkirk Home Tournament – March 21/22
3. Brandon Volleyball Tournament - April 4/5 - Healthy Living Centre Brandon

Provincial Championships - April 18-20th - Niverville Community Centre

Nationals: May 9-11 - Winnipeg

15U:

1. Manitoba Volleyball Premier Tournament – February 22/23 – Niverville
2. Selkirk Home Tournament – March 14/15 - ESMS
3. Possibly Bandits - March 21/22 - Dakota Field House
4. Brandon – April 5/6 - Healthy Living Centre Brandon

Provincial Championships – April 18-20th - Steinbach Regional Secondary School
Nationals – May 9-11 – Edmonton Expo Centre

16U:

1. Manitoba Premier Tournament #1 – Feb 21/22 – Niverville
2. Brandon – March 15/16 - Healthy Living Centre Brandon
3. Manitoba Premier Tournament #2 – March 28/29 – Sport Manitoba
4. Jr. Bisons Tournament – April 4-6 – University of Manitoba
5. Selkirk Home Tournament - April 11/12 - ESMS

Provincial Championships – May 2-4 – Niverville Recreation Centre
Nationals – May 23-25 – Edmonton Expo Centre

17U:

1. Manitoba Premier Tournament #1 – February 7/8 – Sport Manitoba
2. Selkirk Home Tournament – February 28/March 1
3. Brandon – March 14/15 - Healthy Living Centre Brandon
4. Manitoba Premier Tournament #2 – March 22/23 – Niverville
5. Jr. Bisons Tournament -April 4-6 – University of Manitoba

Provincial Championships – April 25-27 - Brandon University
Nationals – May 15-17 – Edmonton Expo Centre

Fundraising opportunities

Fundraising activities are up to the parents to organize and carry out.
However, **any fundraising activity requires the approval of Royals Club Directors.**