

Tryouts for the 2016-2017 Season

Welcome to Tryouts at Flatirons Volleyball Club! This will be our 18th season of offering the very best in competitive training for Junior girls.

We're excited for the tryouts to begin and we're looking forward to seeing you there!

We plan to field 12 - 14 teams at three competitive levels as follows:

12 Regional - 5th & 6th graders
13 Regional - primarily 7th graders
13 National - 7th graders
14 Regional - primarily 8th graders
14 National - 8th graders
14 Elite - 8th graders
15 Regional - primarily 9th graders
15 National - 9th graders
15 Elite - 9th graders
16 National - 10th graders
16 Elite - 10th graders
17 National - 11th graders
17 Elite - 11th graders
18 Elite - primarily 12th graders

A player's proper age division is determined by the athletes' age on **September 1, 2017**. Flatirons Coaches are experienced at helping athletes reach their full potential. At Flatirons VBC, we teach proven fundamental skills as well as current techniques. We value life lessons such as teamwork, communication, work ethic, perseverance, sportsmanship and many more.

Tryout dates are slated for July 5, 6, 7, 10, 24 and August 7.

Tryouts will be held at Eldorado K-8 School, 3351 S. Indiana St., Superior 80027. The site for the August 7 Tryout will be announced after it's confirmed.

Tryout times and age divisions will be posted on our website: www.flatironsvbc.org

Check in starts 20 minutes before the Tryout begins.

There are three requirements before for tryouts:

- 1. Obtain Rocky Mountain USA Volleyball Membership
- 2. Register for tryouts on our website: www.flatironsvbc.org
- 3. Bring proof of age and deposit check
 - 1. For players new to the Rocky Mountain Region USA Volleyball, obtain Summer Tryout Membership: \$25 payable online at www.rmrvolleyball.org. Click on Membership and go to Junior Membership. If you encounter problems with RMR membership, contact the Rocky Mountain Region Online Hotline number at (303) 264-9136. Help is available between the hours of 9:00 am and 5:00 pm, Monday-Friday. Do not call the RMR Office.

If you participated in the Rocky Mountain Region this past season, your membership is good until September 1, 2016. After Sept. 1, it must be renewed at www.rmrvolleyball.org. Click on Membership. The cost is \$55. Do not designate a club until you've accepted an offer from your club of choice.

2. Complete online registration for tryouts at SCMS (Sports Club Management Service): Click "Register for Programs" on our website Home page. Select "2017 Tryouts and Club Season".

You will be prompted to create a player profile if you have not already done so. Once you have created a player account, you can log back in at any time by clicking http://www.sportsclubservices.com/mod300.cfm?club=85

The mandatory registration/tryout fee is \$45. This allows you to attend all tryouts for your age group and be registered for the Flatirons 2017 season.

After you register, your choices are:

Pay by credit card. We accept Visa/MC/Discover/Amex

Or bring a check for \$45 made out to Flatirons Volleyball Club on the day of the tryout.

The cost for walk on players who have not pre registered for tryouts is \$55 per tryout, payable by check only.

3. On the day of the tryout:

If you are new to Flatirons VBC, bring a copy of a state issued document that shows **proof of age**. Examples include birth certificate or your permit or driver license or your passport.

A **deposit in the form of a check for \$500** written to Flatirons Volleyball Club is required. If you are not offered a spot on a Flatirons team or if you decline the offer that is made, your deposit check will be destroyed.

If you did not play for Flatirons VBC in the 2016 season, you must bring **proof of** your *current* (expiration 2016) membership in RMR Volleyball (Rocky Mountain Region USA Volleyball) in order to attend Tryouts. Bring your Membership Card and/or your Membership Confirmation to every session.

Memberships must be current before you can participate.

Important Tryout information:

Wear a comfortable T shirt; shirts with your high school or middle school name are a good choice! Wear good court shoes, knee pads, ankle braces (if you usually wear them) and bring a non-breakable water bottle with a secure lid.

Tryouts are open to coaches and players only. Athletes will have a better performance if they can fully focus on the task at hand.

Offer to play on a Flatirons Volleyball Club team

Please discuss the possibility of an offer to play at Flatirons prior to tryouts. Offers can be made at any time during or after the tryout. If you receive an offer, we prefer a quick response. If you need to consult further, please step outside of the gym. If you need additional time to make a decision, let the coach know.

You've been offered a spot because we want you to play for Flatirons VBC. We're happy to work with you but the priority must be with the team. We reserve the right to move on to the next player. Offers are rescinded after 24 hours unless special arrangements have been made with the coach.

We recommend honesty as the best policy. If you're trying out for another club, tell us. We won't be offended. This is the tryout season and we are well aware that players have choices and decisions to make.

The best means for further communication is via email. If you haven't heard from a coach, email us at flatironsvbc@gmail.com. It is never our intention to ignore an athlete who is trying out but miscommunication can occur in the hustle and excitement of tryouts.

You will be presented with a commitment form at the time you are offered a spot on a team. Your \$500 deposit is not refundable after you submit the signed commitment form to Flatirons Volleyball Club. The deposit amount will be applied to the total amount due for fees. The Fee Schedule for the 2017 season has not been set. Our expectation is a minimal increase over the 2016 fees.

Contract signing day will take place after August 1st. Contracts are legally binding documents that must be signed and notarized. In most instances, a registered notary will be present to notarize your contract. You may take your contract to a notary of your choice then mail the original document to the address at the bottom of your contract.

Practices begin mid November. The competitive season begins January 2017.

Best of luck this season!

Please let us know if you need any help or direction. Contact Susan at flatironsvbc@gmail.com