



# OHIO VALLEY REGION

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## Early Signing Period for Clubs and their **CURRENT** Members/Players Please read carefully before signing a contract in the Ohio Valley Region Early Signing Period

Beginning June 1 through July 31, 2018 clubs may offer a contract for the 2018-2019 season to players who are members of their club during the current 2017-2018 season. Clubs **may not** offer and players **may not** accept contracts from any club other than the club they were members of for the 2017-2018 USAV Season.

The early signing period is OPEN from June 1 thru July 31. The CLUB may establish a SIGNING DEADLINE for the club offer. By signing this contract, the player is committing to playing for that club during the 2018-2019 USAV season which is from September 1, 2018 through August 31, 2019.

A member's acceptance must be in writing, a signed contract, an email confirming acceptance.

Verbal offers/acceptance, are **NOT** recognized as legal binding agreements by the Ohio Valley Region.

An offer and the acceptance of an offer, **IN WRITING**, is a legal/binding agreement recognized by the Ohio Valley Region.

The athlete is permitted to **REPRESENT ONE OVR/USAV** club during a season.

**A termination of contract does NOT PERMIT the athlete to represent another club during the same season.**

The member may not attend a tryout or participate in another OVR/USAV club's program without approval from Ohio Valley Region Commissioner's office.

Clubs will provide an annual contract to the player/member with this document. Club Contracts may require a minimum deposit, future payment schedule, financial commitments, player expenses and define potential "release from contract" procedures. The Club Contract will be accompanied with this form. Club contracts are not administered nor the responsibility of the Ohio Valley Region.

The club contract is between the player/parents/guardians and the club. Please read thoroughly and understand the contract and commitment you are making on behalf of your daughter to the club.

The OVR-USAV recognizes the Early Signing Contract as a binding agreement between the club and the player and parent/guardian.

**There is NO EARLY SIGNING OPPORTUNITY for players from a different club.**  
**Clubs are NOT permitted TO SIGN non-affiliated players (players from other clubs)**  
**prior to the APPROVED TRYOUT DATES for the 2018-2019 season.**

Clubs may contact/recruit, but not sign to a contract, players regardless of club affiliation between June 1 and July 31-provided the player's current club season is completed.

Clubs are required to honor the NO CONTACT PERIOD for high school athletes from August 1 through the conclusion of the State Championships in the athlete's state of residence.

We hope the above information is helpful to you during the tryout process. Remember that you are purchasing a product! It is your responsibility to know what you are buying: there are many quality programs offered throughout our region. Be sure that the club's philosophy is in agreement with your expectations.

### 2018-2019 Girl's Tryout Dates and Acceptance Signing Deadlines

<u>USAV age</u>	<u>1st approved TRYOUT DATE</u>	<u>NATIONAL TEAM PLAYER SIGNING DATE</u>	<u>AMERICAN/REGIONAL TEAM SIGNING DATE</u>
10's – 14's	Friday Oct. 26, 2018	Wednesday Oct. 31, 2018 – 9 pm	Wednesday, Nov. 7, 2018 - 9 pm
15's – 18's	Sunday Nov. 11, 2018	Wednesday Nov. 14, 2018 – 9 pm	Wednesday Nov. 21, 2018 – 9 pm

National team signing date has been granted a "shorter acceptance/refusal" time period.

American/Regional teams are required to use American/Regional Team Signing Date..

National team contract offers that occur **AFTER the INITIAL SIGNING DATE** (for the appropriate age group) must provide the athlete a 48 hr. time period before requiring acceptance of contract.

Age group 10'/14's Example – contract offer Nov. 5 = Nov. 7 signing date - 9pm

American/Regional team contract offers that occur **AFTER the INITIAL SIGNING DATE** (for the appropriate age group) must provide the athlete a 48 hr. time period before requiring acceptance of contract.

Age group 15's/18's Example – contract offer Nov. 25 = Nov. 27 signing date – 9pm