

COLUMBIA EMPIRE VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION

2025-2026 SEASON - LETTER OF COMMITMENT

The CEVA Letter of Commitment (LOC) applies to all indoor junior clubs operating in the CEVA Region. A "commitment" is a fully executed LOC, accepting a club's offer of participation to a player/guardian. CEVA does not recognize any other agreements or contracts, oral or written, between a club and a player/guardian. CEVA may request a copy of an executed LOC at any time. This document binds a player to a club, not to a specific team within the club. Team assignment is at the discretion of the club.

Clubs are required to use this document. It's up to each club to determine the timeframe of submission of a signed LOC, but submission may not happen prior to the first day of allowable tryouts for an age division. Players and families should review all club-specific financial obligations and contracts prior to signing. By signing this agreement, the player and parent/guardian acknowledge they've read all terms in this document, fully understand them, accept, and agree to be bound by them.

TRYOUT DATES

Junior male athletes, <u>playing solely on a boys' team</u>, may begin tryouts on **Saturday, October 4.**Junior athletes, <u>playing on a girls' team</u>, who are defined by USAV as 14 or younger may begin tryouts on **Sunday, November 9.**Junior athletes, <u>playing on a girls' team</u>, who are defined by USAV as 15 or older, may begin tryouts on **Sunday, November 16.**

AGE WAIVERS

If a club intends to submit an age waiver for a player, that player must still try out with their USAV-defined age division.

POLICIES & STIPULATIONS

- The first date a player and guardian are allowed to sign a CEVA LOC and/or make a financial payment to a club is the first date of tryouts for their age division.
- Clubs may require participants to sign club-specific contracts or agreements, in addition to this document. CEVA is not a party to club-specific contracts and does not have enforcement power over those agreements.
- This document applies only to USAV/CEVA sanctioned programming, clubs, teams, and rosters. It does <u>not</u> prevent or limit participation with a non-CEVA club team or in a non-CEVA/USAV event.
- At no time may a player be required by a club to sign this document before the opening day of tryouts. A player who signs a LOC before the first day of allowable tryouts for their age group is subject to sanction. Clubs who ask players to sign a LOC prior to tryouts are subject to sanction, up to and including suspension of the club director.
- Once a player and guardian have signed a CEVA LOC for a club, they are considered a member of that club until the completion of the club season. The CEVA season is defined as the first day of tryouts through the last day of play at the USA Volleyball Junior National Championships. For female players, this means the last day of the latest block of GJNC (generally early July).
- A player who signs a LOC with more than one club is subject to sanction. A club who knowingly asks a player to sign a LOC after the player has signed a LOC with another club is subject to sanction.
- If any part of this LOC is falsified, the player is subject to sanction. Club personnel found to be falsifying information on this form are also subject to sanction.
- A player may verbally commit to a club. A verbal commitment is not binding and may be revoked without penalty at any time.
- A player wishing to transfer to another club after signing an LOC is subject to transfer rules in the CEVA Junior Handbook.
- If the player is less than 18 years old at the time of signing, a parent or legal guardian must also sign this document.
- This is a binding agreement. The player and parent/guardian are signing this LOC with a club, not an individual or team. If a coach or other player(s) leaves the team/club, the player remains committed to the club.
- Clubs don't have to run tryouts. Clubs are not obligated to assign players to a team at tryouts and may determine their own timeline for making such assignments. The player remains committed to the club regardless of team determination or assignment.

Club Name:

Club Director:	Signature:	Date:
Player:	Signature:	Date:
Parent/Guardian:	Signature:	Date:
Parent Phone:	SportsEngine Profile E-Mail:	

Note – this is the e-mail used to purchase the player's CEVA membership.