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2012 JVA World Challenge
Volleyball Championships



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The Directors and members of the JVA welcome you to the 2012 JVA World Challenge Presented by Rox Volleyball. Our goal is to make this more than a tournament. Our goal is to host an event that will provide an opportunity for junior volleyball teams to enjoy the best tournament experience of the year. Not only will we feature competition amongst teams from around the country and Canada, but we will also provide interactive experiences that will enhance your overall tournament experience.

The F.A.S.T. Collegiate Spring Tournament will be hosted at the Reliant Center in conjunction with our event. Teams and their families will have an opportunity to see 19 of the top college teams from Texas, the Southwest and the Mid-South compete. AVCA will again host the Junior Talent Showcase on Thursday, March 29th, giving your athletes a chance to display their skills to college coaches. The Vendor Showcase will provide off-court shopping and educational opportunities. Our JVA Dig In App will provide you with fast and convenient event information surrounding results, food, activities, and social engagements on your mobile device. We hope you experience great competition, visit with old friends, meet new friends, and enjoy all that Houston has to offer.

We want to thank our partner, The American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) and Conference Direct, our housing service, our sponsors, Rox Volleyball and Molten, as well as our host, the Reliant Center. We hope our partnership with these fine groups makes your experience worthwhile.

This event is the only major fundraiser for the Junior Volleyball Association. By supporting this event, you are supporting our mission as an organization. We have strived to make this the best event possible for participating teams and their families. If you experience any inconvenience, please let us know so we can address it and improve future events. Good luck to all competing teams and thanks for supporting the JVA!

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Visit Houston Information

www.VisitHoustonTexas.com

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Great Things going on at the 2012 JVA world Challenge...

Rox Volleyball is back for a 2nd year with the JVA and the World Challenge

As a brand that was created by former and current volleyball players, Rox Volleyball's cutting edge products fit in perfectly with the image of the JVA as pushing the envelope in the world of volleyball to improve the experience for its participants.

"The Rox Volleyball organization is very excited and honored to be the title sponsor for the JVA World Challenge. We have always been committed to supporting youth and junior volleyball as it ensures the growth and future of our sport. Furthermore, the tournament will enable us to highlight our innovative apparel to youth volleyball players of all abilities. Thank you for the opportunity to be part of an organization that is striving to make volleyball in the USA more competitive at the club level." Danielle Olson, President, Rox Volleyball, Inc.

Rox Volleyball, along with their vendor, 1st Place Volleyball, will bring our participants a whole new array of performance attire to check out for their club and personal use.



2012 NCSA/AVCA Spring Girls' Talent Showcase
Thursday, March 29th at the Reliant Center
Check-in will begin at 3:00 PM CST

This showcase is a premier recruiting opportunity for uncommitted and unsigned high school student athletes in the classes of 2012-2015. For more information and to register go to www.avca.org/events/talent-showcases/. AVCA recommends registering as soon as possible to secure your spot.

Other Recruiting Opportunities

This event will also work with University Athlete to provide roster information to college coaches. We ask teams and individual athletes to make sure your personal information is updated and current on both [AES](#) and [University Athlete](#).

AAU Partnership

The JVA World Challenge is sanctioned by AAU. The 1st and 2nd teams in each division will win a paid entry into the [AAU National Championships](#) in Orlando Florida, June 20th – June 27th. All participants must be registered members of AAU. [Join NOW!](#)

AAU is providing 1,200 free T shirts to the athletes on Sunday, April 1st.



F.A.S.T Collegiate Spring Tournament

Hall E of the Reliant Park Convention Center will be the site of this year's spring college tournament, hosted by F.A.S.T. The tournament will be held on Saturday, March 31st. Admission for teams and coaches is only \$5!! Parents and spectators are \$10/adults and \$7/students and senior citizens.

Teams already committed include:

Baylor, Houston Baptist, LSU, Lamar, Louisiana, New Mexico State, Mississippi State, Oklahoma, Rice, SMU, Sam Houston, TCU, Texas State, University of Houston, University of North Texas, University of Texas, University of Texas @ San Antonio, and Wichita State. Admission tickets will be available just outside of Hall E.

Division Championships and Awards Ceremonies

We will again be one of the only midyear events that will have a full championship experience for all of the Gold Division finals. Participating teams will experience warm-up music, team introductions, and on-court award ceremonies following the match on one of 3 championship courts. Division finals will be webcasted live by Sports Nation 360 for friends and family unable to attend.

JVA Dig In Volleyball App – it's FREE!!!

This year's Version 2 of the **JVA Dig In App** will allow everyone to "be in the know" and "in the fun" at all times with their iPhone, iPad, ITouch or Droid Phone. The App is free and features include:

Event Information: court layout, find concessions, bathrooms, tournament information, championship brackets, master grid, and even the rule book is at your finger tips.

Live Feed: get instant information on big matches, challenge bracket results, important event updates, etc.

Social Media: post and view event pictures, videos, participate in contests, or help your team win free T-shirts by having the best Texas Line Dance or 2 Step!

Local Information: Information on restaurants, activities, coupons, where to hold a team dinner, etc.

Vendor Showcase

Our partner, AVCA, is already working on the 2012 Vendor Showcase. The showcase has been a popular past-time for our participants between matches. The 2012 Showcase will feature everything that a volleyball player, parent, coach or club director would want – uniforms, casual clothes, training aids, recruiting information, and items that are just plain fun.

Getting There

JVA is working with airlines to help teams with air travel to Houston for the 2012 JVA World Challenge.

Continental/United (recently merged)

For Group Travel contact Continental at 800-426-1122 or through their web page at

<http://www.continental.com/web/en-US/content/products/groups/default.aspx>

For individual travel, **to save 5% to 10%**, book online at www.continental.com and simply put in the ZCode, ZMAE880287 in the Offer Code Box. To get the discount, you will need to book directly with Continental.

American Airlines

For Group Travel contact AA at 800-221-2255 or through their web page at

<http://www.aa.com/i18n/businessPrograms/groupsMeetings/main.jsp?anchorEvent=false&from=Nav>

For individual travel, **to save 5%**, book online at www.AA.com, choose “More flight Search Options” and put in the Promotion Code, 4632DK in the appropriate box. The discount is off of the lowest applicable published air fare.

These other airlines can also offer discounts on groups booked through their Group Reservations Programs. Many times the club will receive free tickets, based on volume sales.

Frontier Airlines, 888-601-4296 (group reservations)

Delta, 1-800-532-4777

http://www.delta.com/planning_reservations/plan_flight/group_sales/index.jsp

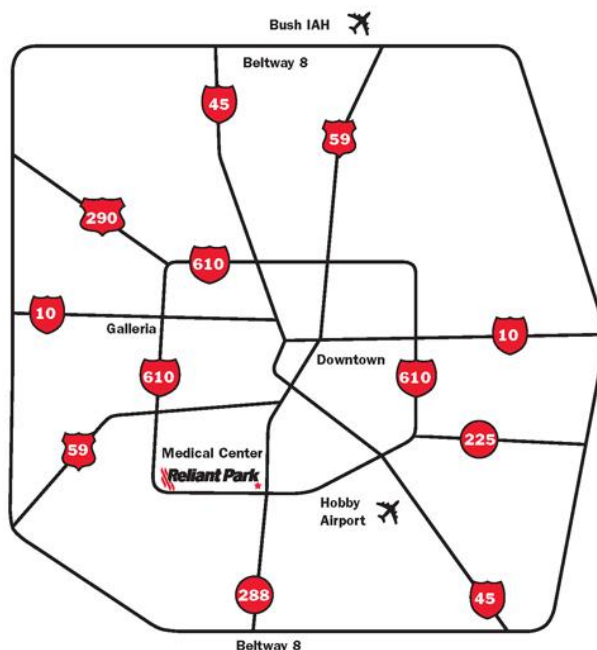
Southwest Airlines, 800-433-5368

<http://www.southwest.com/html/air/business-groups/group-travel.html>

Super Shuttle

To save \$2 off one way and \$4 off round trip, 5% off ExecuCar Sedan & SUV Service, book reservations by calling 1-800-BLUEVAN (258-3826) or www.supershuttle.com You must use discount code: JVA12

Driving Directions: (see below), Reliant Park Center, One Reliant Park, Houston, TX 77054



Reliant Park Convention Center is located within the Inner Loop of the southern portion of Interstate 610 between Kirby Street and Fannin Street in Houston, TX.

From Hobby Airport:

Take Broadway to I-45 (north) to 610 (west).

Exit on Fannin. Turn Left on Naomi or Holly Hall and enter main gate at Reliant Park

Or Exit on South Main and turn right on McNee and enter main gate at Reliant Park.

From Bush IAH Airport

Take Hwy. 59 (south) to Hwy. 288 (south) to 610 (west).

Exit on Fannin. Turn Left on Naomi or Holly Hall and enter main gate at Reliant Park.

Or Exit on South Main and turn right on McNee and enter main gate at Reliant Park.

Houston Metro Rail

The Reliant Center is also serviced by a light rail system, <http://www.ridemetro.org/services/rail.aspx>

Reliant Center Parking

Parking at the Reliant Center Parking Lot is \$10 per day with no in and out privileges. Three day passes that allow in/out privileges are available on line at www.reliantpark.com/exhibitor-services-info. The passes will also be available at the convention center near the admission booths. You will need to pay the \$10 parking fee when you enter the lot. Bring the receipt with you when you purchase the multi-day pass and you will be credited the \$10.

Houston Visitors Information

There is a lot going in the fun city of Houston besides great volleyball. Local information is available at www.VisitHoustonTexas.com.

Tournament Registration

Event Registration is through AES, www.advancedeventsystems.com.

The entry fee for the tournament is \$695.

JVA Member Clubs registered by February 15th get a reduced fee of \$600/team*

JVA Member Clubs registered after February 15th will pay \$650/team

***Registered by February 15th means entered in AES and Entry Fee postmarked by February 15th.**

The first 600 teams registered by **February 15th** are guaranteed entry into the tournament. After February 15th, teams will be entered only if space is available and acceptance will lend to a better format. **A late payment of \$100 will be due for teams that enter and are accepted after March 1st.**

Competition Divisions

Competition will be offered for girls' teams in the following divisions:

Open 13-18 and Club 10*-18

*If there is less than 12 teams registered for 10's or 11's by February 15th, the team reps will be contacted and ask if they want to combine 10's and 11's or move up a division. All divisions will play all three days.

Roster Submission

Complete Rosters are due by March 1st. Complete rosters include all AAU member numbers for all individuals on the roster, verification of background screening for all adults on roster, and submission of paper work for any player for which an age waiver is requested. **Teams whose rosters are incomplete on March 1st will be required to pay an additional "pain and suffering" fee of \$50 at team check in.**

Team Drops and Refunds

Teams that drop out before February 15th will be refunded their entry fee minus a 20% service charge. ***Teams that drop after February 15th will not receive a refund.***

Seeding, Schedule Tracking and Results

Teams will be seeded using the best information that we can find including results posted on AES. JVA has contracted with the AES Results Management System to provide up-to-the-minute results. Schedule information and results can be found at www.advancedeventsystems.com. This is the official schedule. There will be no paper posting of pool results. There will be a "Results Station" in the Reliant Center near the Tournament Desk to look up results and schedules.

We will not know the exact schedules until a week before the event. We will attempt to post WAVES about two weeks prior to the event. Teams will participate in pool play Friday and Saturday for and Bracket/Single Elimination for all teams on Sunday. It is our goal to have everyone done by 5:00 p.m. on Sunday.

Tournament Committee

Coaches and Club Directors interested in helping with seeding a division, please contact [Jenny Hahn](mailto:jennyhahn@wi.rr.com).

Team Eligibility

AAU Affiliation

The 2011 JVA World Challenge is sanctioned by AAU. All participants must be a member of AAU. Go to <http://www.aausports.org/JoinNow.aspx> to register your staff and players.

Age Definitions

Team members must meet the Age Definitions for their age group. Age Waivers will be accepted for this event if the player is in the grade as her teammates and not more than one year older than the age definition listed below. The Team Rep/coach must present proof of grade and a copy of a birth certificate prior to team check in

18 and Under*	players who were born on or after 9/1/93 * athletes who have not yet graduated from HS
17 and Under	players who were born on or after 9/1/94
16 and Under	players who were born on or after 9/1/95
15 and Under	players who were born on or after 9/1/96
14 and Under	players who were born on or after 9/1/97
13 and Under	players who were born on or after 9/1/98
12 and Under	players who were born on or after 9/1/99
11 and Under	players who were born on or after 9/1/2000
10 and Under	players who were born on or after 9/1/2000

Age Waivers*

JVA allows age waivers for players whose teams will compete in the club divisions. Age waivers are allowed for players who are in the same grade level as their peers and who are not more than a year older than the current age definition. Team reps that are requesting age waivers need to send to the JVA office a note requesting the age waiver that includes the club name, team name, player for whom the waiver is requested; proof of grade (copy of school schedule, school id, etc.) and copy of a birth certificate. Send via email, to Jenny Hahn, jennyhahn@wi.rr.com or send via U.S. Mail to 2931 N. 73rd Street, Milwaukee, WI 53210

*Note that while we are allowing age waivers for this event. Age waivers are currently not allowed at the AAU National Volleyball Championships.

Background Screening

Verification of a JVA or USAV background screening is required for all adults on a junior roster. Adults that have a current USAV membership as a junior club coach can email the member card to jennyhahn@wi.rr.com or mail to 2931 N. 73rd Street, Milwaukee, WI 53210.

Individuals who do not have a current USAV junior club membership will need to complete a background screening through JVA online for \$12.00 at <https://opportunities.averity.com/Application.aspx?oid=9373>. Individuals who use the JVA screening will have their screening status verified by the JVA office.

AAU Coaches' Clinic Requirement

The Positive Coaching Alliance (PCA) online coaches' course is required for coaches as part of membership to AAU. Coaches can access the course online with their membership number anytime during the year, but should complete the course within 30 days of joining the AAU. It takes approximately one hour if you do the course straight through. This course is FREE of charge. It is recommend, but not required for chaperones. The link to the course is <http://ausports.org/Parnters/PositiveCoachesAlliance.aspx>.

Housing

To make your team's reservations [click here](#). If you have a large club and would like to set up individual blocks for your team rooms and/or your parents, please [contact Lynn Golabowski](#) for a "Club Housing Request Form."

The JVA does not have a "Stay to Play" policy. We have secured the best prices available and hope that you will use the rooms in our block. In addition, our housing service, **Conference Direct**, has arranged for incentives for teams to block rooms under our contract. JVA receives \$8/room booked which helps support the mission of JVA. This event is our only major fund raiser. We need your support. In addition, we are in line to receive a substantial credit to our cost for the convention center based on the number of rooms booked in the Louisville area. The room pick up also impacts our negotiations with the convention center for best pricing in the future.

Incentives to use JVA Housing:

Large clubs of 8 teams or more will a get a free room for the club director if they set up room blocks for their teams and parents and the club will be entered into a drawing for to win a set of JVA/AAU T-shirts for one of their teams. Six sets of T's will be given out. Drawing will be held on Sunday morning.

Small Clubs are eligible for a meeting room at the convention center for your club's use and free AAU/JVA T Shirts for your team. A drawing will be held. Three teams will get meeting rooms and six teams will get T Shirts. Drawing will be held on Sunday morning.

Each parent that reserves a room with JVA will receive a Louisville Area discount card for area attractions and restaurants and be eligible for one of 4, \$25 certificates for the event pro-shop.

The hotel list is extensive. There is a room type and price point for everyone.

Hotel Cancellation Policy

Cancellations must be made either online or through email to the [JVA Housing Service](#). After February 27th, there is a cancellation fee of \$30 if a room is cancelled. Cancellations of rooms received within 7 days of arrival are subject to the hotels' cancellation policy of one night's room plus tax.

If you experience problems with booking your teams' housing, please email or call [Lynn Golabowski](#) at 262-251-5001.

On-Site Information

Team Check-In Information

All teams need to check-in at the Reliant Park Convention Center prior to beginning play. Team check-in will take place in Hall B/C at the Tournament Desk.

Check in Times for all Teams are: Thursday, 5:00-9:00 p.m. and Friday, 7:00-10:00 a.m.

The Team Rep or Coach must check-in their team. The Team Rep or Coach will be asked to verify and sign their roster. This roster will be the official roster for the event. **No additions or changes to a team's roster are allowed once a team has begun competition.**

- 1) We will ask for a cell phone contact for each team.
- 2) You will need to verify the roster including uniform numbers. **Each player is required to wear the same jersey number throughout the entire event.** This applies to all players in the libero position as well. You will need to provide proof of AAU Membership for any roster additions. Only individuals on the roster are permitted to sit on the team bench and will receive credentials.
- 3) Players and coaches may be added to the roster at the time of Team Registration but they must be able to show proof of AAU membership and verification of background screening.

Please be sure to read through all materials, there will be no coaches meeting prior to competition.

Admission Tickets

Admission Tickets for the event will be required. Admission prices are:

\$8 per adult; \$20/3 day full event pass; \$15/2 day full event pass;

\$6 per student; \$15/3 day full event pass; \$10/2 day full event pass;

Children 5 yrs of age and under are free.

Admission Tickets Presale

To avoid lines on Friday morning, we encourage purchasing admission tickets in advance. Advance admission tickets will be available for purchase at the Reliant Park Center during team registration on Thursday from 5-9 p.m. Payment must be made by cash or check.

Sunday Services

A list of Sunday Services will be found on our JVA Event Web Page and on our Dig In App.

National Anthem

If you, a friend, or your team is interested in singing our country's national anthem, please email [Jenny Hahn](#) or stop by the Championship Desk.

Facility Rules

No coolers will be allowed. There will be ample seating for all spectators, camp chairs will not be allowed in the Expo Center due to a potential fire hazard if open aisles were to be blocked.

Tournament Souvenirs

Rox Volleyball and Molten are the tournament sponsors and will have booths set up inside the Expo Center. The Player's Edge Pro Shop will have Tournament T-shirts and a wide variety of volleyball apparel will also be available.

Handshake Gifts

The exchange of handshake gifts prior to the 1st set is optional.

Trainer

Athletic Trainers will be available at the Kentucky Expo Center. Individuals should provide their own tape. Tape and pre-wrap will also be available for purchase.

Awards

A team trophy and medals will be awarded to teams that finish 1st through 3rd in all Gold Divisions. Medals will be award to first place in Silver and Bronze Divisions.

Rules of Play

The 2011 USA Volleyball Regulations for Domestic Competition will be in effect with the following exceptions:

The liberos will be allowed to serve in one rotation.

Match Format / Warm-up Procedures

All divisions will play best of 3 formats. Divisions that have 3 team pool(s) in combination with 4 team pools in the same division will play all three games to 25. Pool finish will be based on game percentage as all 3 games will count for finish placement. 3 team pools are not our recommended format and we will do everything we can to avoid them. However, there are times where it is completely unavoidable.

Match formats for each of the divisions will available online at www.advancedeventsystems.com.

Matches will move ahead of schedule if time allows with the following exception. Warm-ups for matches in the 15 through 18 divisions will not begin more than 25 minutes ahead of schedule.

All teams will be allowed an extended warm-up period prior to the first match of the day*. Initial warm-ups will be 4 minutes shared, 6 minutes for each team beginning with the serving team. Once each team has played, succeeding warm-ups will be 4-4 (4 minutes for each team beginning with the serving team). Teams must serve within their court time.

*If a court is running more than 20 minutes behind, we will revert to the 2-4-4 warm-up.

Rules of Play for Youth Divisions and Youth Boys Participation*

U-11 Divisions will use the same rules as U-12 but allow for the step in on the serve as above.

U-10, 11, and 12 boys' teams will be allowed to compete in girls' events at age level.

U-13 and 14 boys' teams are allowed to compete in girls events up an age level.

Coed Teams with no more than 3 boys on the floor at any one time, are allowed to play in girls events at age level.

*AAU Girls Championships does not provide for boys participation on girls teams or in girls divisions.

Pre-Match Protocol

Prior to the start of the 1st set, the full teams will line up behind the service line. At the signal of the referee, they will proceed to the center line to shake hands with the opponents. The starting lineup will remain on the court for the lineup check.

Code of Conduct / Disciplinary Action

Any participant listed on the Official Roster who is causing unfavorable situations either prior to, during, or after the event is subject to disciplinary action by the Tournament Director(s).

Anyone discovered in possession or consuming illegal substances will be automatically expelled from the Championships. There are no warnings for alcohol or drug consumption by players or any other underage person whose name appears on the official roster

Officials and Team Officiating Responsibilities

The Head Official will schedule a First Referee for each match. Work teams will need to provide a Second Referee, Official Scorer, Visual Scorer, Libero Tracker and 2 Line Judges. An adult on the official roster needs to be courtside at all times. The work team needs to report to the Head Official no later than the beginning of the serving team's warm-up. For each minute the work team is late or incomplete, one point will be given to their next opponent (up to 25-0 forfeit). Each work team must have an adult present and identified to the R1 during a team's work assignment.

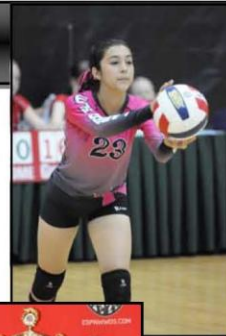
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June 19-27, 2012

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No qualifying required. Plan now to attend.

**10, 11, 12 Open, 12 Club, 13 Open, 13 Club, 14 Open, 14 Club,
14 Classic, 15 Club, 15 Classic**

Check-In: June 19, 2012

Competition: June 20-23, 2012

15 Open, 18 Open

Check-In: June 22, 2012

Competition: June 23-26, 2012

16 Open, 16 Club, 16 Classic, 17 Open, 17 Club, 17 Classic, 18 Club

Check-In: June 23, 2012

Competition: June 24-27, 2012

Enter Early and Save! The entry fee is \$695 per team for entries received by 11:59 pm EST on March 1, 2012. For entries received between March 2, 2012 and May 15, 2012 by 11:59 pm EST, the entry fee is \$795 per team. All teams will be accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis until divisions are full. It is possible for divisions to fill prior to the May 15 deadline, so get your entry in early!



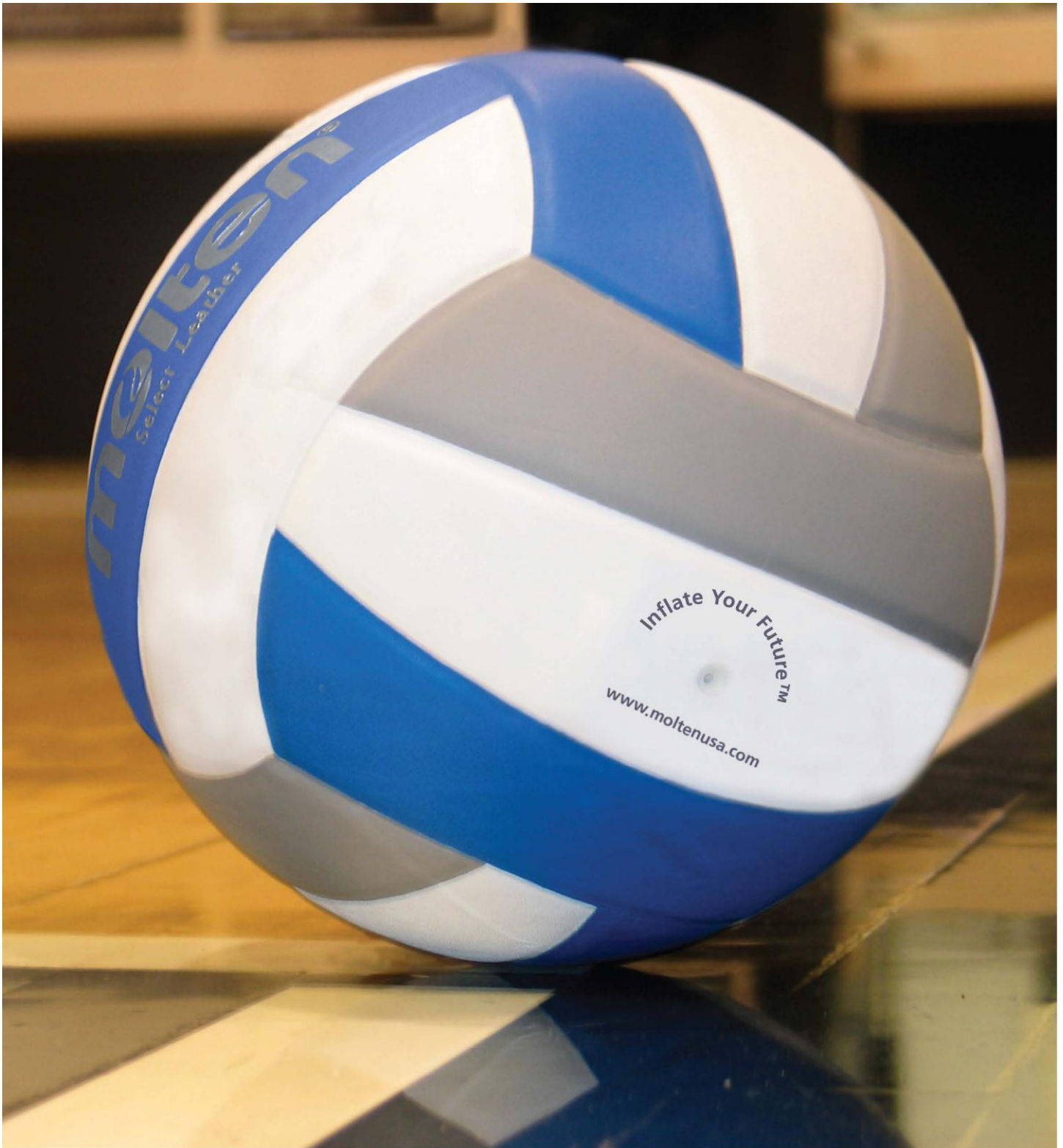
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