

Higher Education Volleyball Officer (HEVO) Role Description 2016/17



Voluntary Role: Higher Education Volleyball Officer (HEVO)

Responsible to: Young People Manager, University Contact

Role: To lead and coordinate the development of recreational volleyball at the host university in order to encourage new participants into the sport, ensuring a quality experience for all players, regardless of their ability. The key focus of developing quality recreational opportunities will be based around Go Spike branded 4v4 volleyball.

Key Tasks:

1. Establish weekly, Go Spike branded recreational volleyball sessions which will encourage participation – working with the University Athletic Union and/or Sports Development Team.
2. Submit termly participation reports to your Senior HEVO, identifying the total, new, and retained number of participants engaging in recreational volleyball sessions.
3. Deliver a minimum of one mass participation, come-and-try event, aiming to offer students and/or members of the community opportunities to participate in volleyball.
4. Offer a pathway from recreational volleyball to competitive BUCS teams.
5. Provide volunteer opportunities to students, utilising free Go Spike Student Activator and Volleyball England Grade 4 Referee course places.
6. Use social media to raise the profile of host institution, volleyball activity, and the HEVO Programme.
7. Link with the local volleyball clubs, and your Regional Volleyball Association, to develop the provision of volleyball within the university and local community.
8. Share good practice stories with Volleyball England and other HEVO's.

Key Relationships:

Volleyball England:

- Young People Manager – Rob Payne. Responsible for the overall management and strategic direction of the HEVO programme – r.payne@volleyballengland.org
- Adult Participation Manager – Sam Harding. Responsible for the Go Spike programme - s.harding@volleyballengland.org
- Membership & Business Support Officer – Hannah Winsbury. Responsible for administration in relation to the HEVO programme – applications, SLA's and reporting – h.winsbury@volleyballengland.org
- Volleyball Relationship Managers (where applicable)
- Regional Volleyball Association representatives

Host Institution: University Volleyball Club, Athletic Union and/or Sport Development staff

External Partners: County Sports Partnerships, BUCS

Personal Specification:

- Must be a student based at the host institution, does not necessarily have to play volleyball.
- Enthusiastic approach and a positive, "can do" attitude.
- Excellent communication skills, both written and verbal.
- Ability to work in a team and on own initiative.
- IT and social media literate, capable of raising the profile of volleyball activity
- Passionate about developing sport, particularly volleyball
- Willingness to mentor other students and potential future HEVO's
- Motivational attitude which inspires those around them to engage in volleyball
- Strong organisation skills – capable of organising weekly sessions and standalone events