



Introduction – What's in it for me?

At the 2014 Volleyball England AGM, an amendment to the Articles of Association (the Volleyball England Constitution) will be tabled to allow for a fee based individual registration of volleyball participants. In real terms, this will apply if you play in local or regional leagues **only**. The specific wording of the amendment will be confirmed in the official AGM papers that will be released in July.

Cost

NVL fees and club affiliation will remain the same and there will be no amendments for this.

The annual registration fee for players who participate in local or regional leagues will be £10 for adults (18+) and £5 for 16-17 year olds not in education.

If you are aged between 16-17 years, **and are at school, or in full time education, there will be no cost.** Under 16's will remain free.

What are the advantages for me and why is Volleyball England presenting this?

- You will receive substantially improved and dedicated specific member benefits. You will be entitled to personal accident cover (including dental and broken bones cover), a discount to a nationwide chain of physiotherapists, discounts on volleyball specific equipment, material and/or kit (products to equip you and your club for indoor and outdoor volleyball) and a host of other products and services which will be included in the benefit package. The benefit package will develop over time as we will ask you via regular survey's for your views on the benefits
- [Click here for a full list of the member benefits for 2014/2015](#)
- The £10 received from you will be used to develop the future of volleyball for **your club** and the sport in this country. Specifically 20% (net of fulfilment costs) of the club player registration fees will be available for club based development grants via a Club Incentive Scheme. Currently our main income stream is a Sport England grant, which funds most of the activities in our Strategic Plan. The grant predominantly allows us to work with people aged 14-25+ for specific development purposes only. If your club approves individual registration then we can start to do more work outside these boundaries. We can use the money for projects to help achieve the 2024 targets identified by the volleyball community.
- We wish to improve and increase two-way communications between Volleyball England and you via more targeted, specific and meaningful ways of contact. At the moment, the current structure does not allow us to have this direct contact with you.
- Having a much more detailed database of information will help future development of volleyball by identifying things such as player drop out points (when & why people stop playing), and gender split differences (where & why are there differences in female & male player numbers) This means more players in more teams at regional and local level.



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- By having extensive player details we will have increased bargaining power with sponsors and commercial partners. Think of it like this, if we approached a sports company, or a travel agent, and we told them we only have 1,000 club people do you think they would provide sponsorship? However, if we went to them and said we have 10,000 club players, would they be more interested in volleyball? This means more specific volleyball benefits for you!
- Many other sports bodies, such as British Cycling, England Netball, England Table Tennis and Archery UK, have got sport-wide registration programmes. Mass registration of participants has helped these sports raise their profiles, think Sky Ride events for cycling and Superleague Netball on Sky. Do we want our great sport to be left behind.....?

Process

You will only be required to give your Name, Address, Date of Birth, Gender & Email to the club secretary. If you are under 18, we only need your Name, Date of Birth and Gender. A parent's email address can be added as an option.

Payment

You can either pay £10 to your club secretary or (at the discretion of your club secretary) you will be emailed by Volleyball England to pay the fee on-line. You will have until the **31st of December 2014** to do this.

Frequently Asked Questions

We would like to thank a number of the Volleyball England family for their constructive input in this process. We have implemented many of your suggestions from the Volleyball Voice meetings, the recent survey results and your questions at various meetings. To find a summary of these and answers to them please click [here](#). More information regarding individual registration will be available shortly on the Volleyball England website and the next 3Touch Volleyball magazine.