Membership Proposal

“YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED”

1. At present I play in a league organised by an affiliated region or area association, how would this new scheme affect me?
Under the new proposal, you would pay a small registration fee to Volleyball England and receive a unique benefits package including Personal Accident insurance. As the membership grows the number and value of benefits will increase.

2. At present I am a NVL player, how would this new scheme affect me?
In essence, the new scheme will affect you very little. You would pay a fee to Volleyball England, similar to your current level, and receive an exclusive benefits package which will constantly be reviewed and improved on.

3. At present I am a referee how would this new scheme affect me?
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4. At present I am a coach how would this new scheme affect me?
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5. Why does Volleyball England want to change from the current system to individual registrations?
To enhance the service provided in a variety of ways:

- So that we can improve the way we communicate with participants and members. This is a service that many have requested.
- The current system relates to the club or team and not to individual participants involved in the sport.
- Volleyball England has few details about those participating in volleyball and cannot take their needs into consideration when developing the sport. Volleyball England fees are often combined with club fees and the element that goes to volleyball is often not known by the individual player.
- The current system does not provide accurate numbers or details of those that are affiliated to Volleyball England which is needed to report on participation in volleyball. This may affect funding decisions in the future.

6. How would Individual fees improve matters?
A new system will:

- Relate directly to the individual and not the club.
- Enable direct two-way communication between Volleyball England and its participants.
- Provide a sense of ‘belonging’ to the volleyball community as a whole.
- Provide more accurate information on those playing, which would allow tailoring of and improvement of services to suit the members.
• Increase the investment to grassroots programmes.
• Improve commercial and media opportunities within the sport.

7. What are the principles of the proposed new system?
• A club fee.
• Participant registration fee.

In addition, participants would pay a “top up” fee depending on their level and type of involvement in the game. These will include:

• NVL Licence.
• Coach Licence.
• Referee Licence.

There will be concessionary fees for:

• OAPs.
• Students in full time education.
• Those aged under 18 years.
• Those aged under 12 years.

8. What is the current thinking on actual prices individuals will need to pay?
The current fees being looked at are as follows:

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*Clubs would have to pay a minimum fee. (This will be based on 1 x club fee and 8 x adult registrations = £90 (This is equivalent to the current club fee)*

9. What if I play in more than one league?
You would pay one membership fee to Volleyball England. Your Volleyball England fee would allow you to play in any affiliated regional league or lower. You would continue to pay league fees on top of this.
10. Why should I register, I see few benefits to joining Volleyball England playing as a local league player, playing once a week?
Volleyball England provides the structure for the sport in England, and campaigns on behalf of all volleyball players. By registering, your views and ideas are heard and you can make a difference and support efforts to improve the game. Our influence with partners including commercial and media, will come from the strength of our members and all those that play the game we love.

11. How will I be able to register?
Through Volleyball England’s online membership system.

- Players will be able to register directly by logging on to the system and registering their details. Alternatively, club secretaries can manage the process in a similar way.
- Volleyball England will share your personal data with regions and for the purpose of your participation in volleyball, subject to suitable Data Protection procedures.

12. What benefits will I receive?
All individual participants will receive a fantastic range of benefits and discounts.

These will include:

- Personal Accident Insurance.
- Exclusive members section on website.
- Exclusive free members’ magazine - 3Touch Volleyball Magazine.
- Access to monthly e-newsletter with the latest volleyball news & views.
- Discount on items from Volleyball England’s shop including coaching resources and merchandise.
- Access to coaching, playing and refereeing seminars and webinars.
- Priority access and discounts on event tickets.
- Access to exclusive Members Competitions and Prizes.
- Fantastic Partner Discounts including reduced prices on hotels, first aid equipment, coaching books, physiotherapy and lots more!

13. What benefits does my club receive?
Clubs will receive:

- £5 million Public Liability Insurance.
- Right to enter official Volleyball England competitions and tournaments.
- Support from Volleyball England staff to develop your club, access funding, improve your coaching and refereeing skills.
- Free marketing workshops and materials including posters and flyers.
- Free Volleyball England CRB Checks.
- Discounted rate at the National Volleyball Centre.

14. How would the insurance work and how would it benefit me?
Currently clubs receive Public Liability Insurance as part of the club membership and this would remain. Personal Accident insurance, which most Leagues and clubs do not provide, would be provided to all registered participants.
15. How would the new system affect voting rights?
Voting rights would not change as part of the current proposals and would remain with the clubs.

16. How and when would the new system be introduced?
Proposals will be put forward to the EGM on 10th November 2012, if accepted the new system would come into effect for the 2013/14 season.

17. How can my views be heard and do I have a vote?
You can make your views known to your club representative, who can vote for your club at the EGM in November 2012.

18. What would stop Volleyball England putting up charges once this system is in place?
The level of fees would only be changed at an AGM. Fees would be controlled in the same way as current affiliation fees at an AGM by those clubs present with a vote.

19. What would happen to me if I do not want to join but still want to play?
You would still be able to play but not in a league operated by an affiliated region or area association, a Volleyball England organised event or in matches against an affiliated club, although we would of course hope that you would join to enjoy the benefits of membership. The principle of the new system is that all individuals need to be registered with Volleyball England to play at all levels of the game.