



Youth Forum

Information Sheet

The Volleyball England Youth Forum are looking to recruit five new members aged 16 to 24. The successful candidates will join the five existing members of the Youth Forum to voice their opinions and contribute to decision making within Volleyball England.

We need players, coaches, referees and other volunteers! And we want indoor, beach and sitting volleyball to be represented too.

All members of the Volleyball England Youth Forum will receive extensive training, expenses will be reimbursed and kit provided.

It is an excellent opportunity for young people who are passionate about volleyball and are interested in representing the views of other young people and making a real difference to the sport.

Responsibilities

Members of the Volleyball England Youth Forum will be required to attend a minimum of three meetings per year arranged at times to suit the group. In addition you will be required to carry out delivery of the work programme between meetings which will require a level of commitment.

The exact areas the Volleyball England Youth Forum will be involved in depend on your interests as a group, but some potential areas include:

- Encouraging and supporting young people and providing them with a voice.
- Providing feedback on Volleyball England policies, resources and awards.
- Communicating with volleyball players and volunteers.
- Being an Ambassador at competitions and events.
- Representation at national panels and meetings.

The Volleyball England Youth Forum will report to the National Volunteer and Leadership Development Officer.

Person Specification

You need to be between 16 and 24 years of age and have been involved in volleyball as a player, coach, referee or in another volunteer capacity for at least two years.

Essential skills, abilities and Personal Characteristics:

- Strong verbal and written communication skills.
- Excellent organisational skills.
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team.
- Demonstrate enthusiasm and confidence when dealing with staff, volunteers and players.

Please note that all successful applicants will be required to complete a Volleyball England enhanced CRB Disclosure and agree to a Code of Conduct.

Benefits to you

- Chance to have your views listened to and make a real difference to volleyball in England.
- Opportunity to work directly with a National Governing Body – great opportunity if you want a career in sport.
- Extensive training offered.
- Leadership ability developed.
- Snazzy stash!
- Overall it looks excellent on your CV and will give you lots of great skills and experiences to talk about at interviews whatever job you want to go into.

Travel and other expenses will be paid for by prior agreement. So this great experience won't cost you anything!

“Being part of the Volleyball England Youth Forum is an amazing opportunity. Before I became a member I had an interest in volleyball partaking mainly in refereeing and officiating. Since I have been on the Forum I have had opportunities to improve my personal skills with regards to formal meetings and procedures, attend different events such as annual dinners and award ceremonies. However for me the most rewarding part of being in the youth forum is having the opportunity to make a real difference in how different aspects of volleyball affect youth within both your region and on a national scale by discussing and reinventing policy and procedure with Volleyball England. I highly recommend becoming part of the Youth Forum.”
Current Youth Forum Member

Application Process

Application is open to all people aged 16 to 24 via a short application form. The closing date for applications is 1st September 2012. Once application forms have been reviewed, an informal telephone interview may be undertaken with selected applicants before a final decision is made.

For an application form or more information please contact Ilona Berry, National Volunteer and Leadership Development Officer, on i.berry@volleyballengland.org or on 01509 227713.