

## 17 Year Olds Turning 18 During the USAV Season

**Players and SafeSport:** Any player who is 18 or turns 18 before the end of the USAV Season (9/1/xx) must complete the SafeSport course. We know the course is geared towards coaches and officials, but the Center for Safe Sport just looks at age and not role. We have asked for a course that is geared towards players but no luck yet.

The reason that 17s turning 18 must take it early is we do not want a player to be 17 and eligible on Saturday of a multi-day tournament and then have a birthday on Sunday and become Ineligible in the middle of the event. SE does not track birthdate, just Membership Type. These players cannot be Imported into AES or Sport Wrench until they complete SafeSport.

Players with the **23-24 OVR Junior Player – SafeSport Required** membership, must take the SafeSport course even if their birthdate is in August. Remember that there are USAV Beach tournaments still going on in August. These players cannot be Imported into AES or Sport Wrench until they complete SafeSport.

**Also, because they are still a minor at 17, their parent must sign an online approval form before the player can take the test.**

**Junior Age Staff (Coaches):** As soon as a Junior Staff (Assistant Coach) turns 18:

They must create their own SE Household account using their own email address. Start at the SportsEngine Login page:

<https://app.sportngin.com/user>

Do not log into a parent's account. Instead enter their own email address and then create a new household account.

When that's done, use this link to ask SE to merge their old account to under their new account:

[https://sportngin-lddxb.formstack.com/forms/merge\\_accounts](https://sportngin-lddxb.formstack.com/forms/merge_accounts)

This Merge should move their credentials: SafeSport and IMPACT to their new account.

They have a 30 day grace period in which to get this accomplished.