

Emerging Talent Hubs FAQ

Q: Do you need to be skilled/experienced in volleyball to join the Emerging Talent squads?

A: No, you do not require any prior experience in volleyball to trial for our program. All that is required is a strong desire to learn and get better, and a willingness to try new things and challenge yourself in the process.

Q: What is the Yearly Training Program Fee for Emerging Talent?

A: For a full year the yearly fee for the 2023-2024 placement period is \$600 excl GST. This fee will be charged if you accept an offer to participate in the program after completing your trial sessions. Program fees are invoiced to athletes/parents/guardians following completion of the trial process and once you accept your offer. Failure to accept the offer but continued attendance in the program may be considered as an acceptance in offer.

Q: Do I need to pay the FULL Emerging Talent Fee if I leave the program early, or if I start late in the current training cycle?

A: If you leave the program early, you will not be able to receive a refund for the missed training sessions. If you are late to join the program, you will be charged a fee which relates to the school term of which you join.

Q: What is included in my acceptance fee?

A: Your yearly fee includes uniform, access to training equipment, access to high-level coaching and information afforded only to Emerging Talent athletes. We encourage you to carefully consider your offer and ensure you get along to as many training sessions as possible. Along with this there comes several opportunities to be involved in the volleyball community, and athletes also get provided access and advice to Trial Information for State Teams and further competitive opportunities.

Q: Am I too old/young to participate in the Emerging Talent Program?

A: The Volleyball South Australia Emerging Talent program trains both male and female athletes of ages 8-18. In some instances, we have older athletes in our program, but the focus remains on the 8-18 years age groups. Where we can, our training groups are split across courts, so you are training with others of similar skill, experience, or potential.

Q: Can I trial for a different hub if I am not successful in trialing for my preferred hub?

A: If you are unsuccessful in gaining a position at your preferred hub due to numbers. You may be offered a position at another hub.

Q: How many training sessions can I attend per week in the Emerging Talent Program if I am offered a position in a squad?

A: You can only attend one training session per week in Emerging Talent – preferably at your chosen training hub. In case of a clash on any given week, you may request to train at a different hub for that week with the prior approval of the Emerging Talent Head Coach. These are listed on our website, please note that different hubs, train on different days and at different times.

Q: Do I have to attend every training session throughout the year?

A: No. We understand there will be times you will have other volleyball or sports events on (school/club/representative games), will have family events or a need to focus on your school work. While we encourage you to attend as many training sessions as possible over the placement period, you will not be expected to attend them all.

Q: Does the Emerging Talent Program train over school holidays or on public holidays?

A: No, trainings do not occur on School or Public Holiday Periods.

Q: How can I get into the Volleyball SA Performance Pathway, Tiers 2, 3 or 4?

A: The Volleyball South Australia Emerging Talent Program is the entry-level program & Tier 5 in VSA's Performance Pathway. Continual evaluation is made by Volleyball SA's Pathway Coaches and elevation to a higher tier can occur at any stage through the cycle at the coaches discretion.

Periodically throughout the 12-month training period, the Emerging Talent Head Coach will discuss individual athletes' progress with the Volleyball SA and SASI Coaching staff and recommend athletes to trial for these higher-level programs.

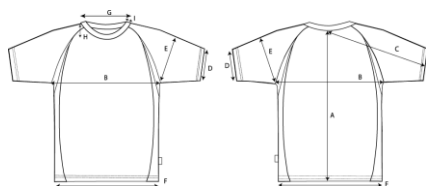
There is no set time frame or age where athletes may be invited to these higher-level squads. It is assessed on an individual basis and rarely is it based on athlete's previous results. It is based more on athlete and human characteristics.

Q: What is the main method of communication in the Emerging Talent program?

A: We use email as our primary mode of communication. Please ensure you are receiving our emails regularly and contact us if you are not receiving regular emails or training reminders from us. We are exploring other options of communication.

Q: What are the Pathway Program Uniform sizes?

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LOCATION	SZ	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	XS	S	M	L	XL	2XL
VTEU300														
Back length	A	43	47	51	55	58	61	64	67	70	73	76	79	82
Chest	B	63	68	73	78	83	88	93	98	103	108	113	118	123

Q: I have a question that is not answered here. Who do I contact?

A: Please contact the Pathways, Trent Woodward, trent.w@volleyballsa.com.au or Emerging Talent Hub Administrator – Kylie Lines, kylie.l@volleyballsa.com.au

Information Graphic for Athlete Pathways

