

Mideast Power League

(MEPL)

Purpose of Restructure

The MEPL prides itself on being considered one of the toughest “Power Leagues” in the nation. As the league has seen growth, the league desires to maintain the needs of the many diverse members. Among the largest concerns was the ability to provide participants with consistent competition while maintaining inclusion. The league feels the new format will allow more teams an opportunity to play for a championship while maintaining the highest level of competition at all three stops.

League Structure

- The league will be broken into three playing divisions.
- *Elite* – Highest level
- *Open* – 2nd Highest level
- *National* – 3rd Highest level

Acceptance & Seeding

- Elite division acceptance, on opening weekend, requires teams to meet the following criteria:
 1. Played in the top two divisions at AAU or USAV nationals and finished in the top half of the event.
 2. Results from prior league finish.
 3. Placements at The Adidas Bluegrass Tournament, USAV Qualifiers, JVA World Challenge, Triple Crown, St. Louis President’s Day, or other major two-day events used in the national championship seeding process.
- Open and National level placement will be done by the seeding process for all non-qualifiers of the Elite division on opening weekend.

Seeding

- A seeding questionnaire will be sent out before week one of the league. This **MUST** be completed for each team wanting consideration into the Elite Division on week one of league play.

League Movement

Teams may only move up a division, never down a division.

Week One movement:

- The top four finishers in the Open division move to the Elite division.
- The top four finishers in the National division move to the Open division.

Week Two movement:

- The top eight finishers in the Open division move up to the Elite Division.
- The top eight finishers in the National division move up to the Open division.

League Winners

Winners of each division will no longer be decided by points. League winners will be determined by tournament play on the final weekend of play.

- Winners will be decided for an Elite Division, Open Division, and National Division.
- The winner of the Elite Division will receive an \$895 entry fee to AAU Nationals.
- The winner of the Open Division will receive a 50% AAU entry fee payment (\$450).
- The winner of the National Division receives T-shirts and awards for winning.