



Men's Fours Volleyball Tournament

Game Rules

I. Team and players:

1. Up to 5 players per team.
2. One 6 foot and taller player allowed per team.
3. All four players are required to start a match.
4. A player can only play for one team in the entire tournament.
5. Matching uniform required.

II. Hitting and blocking:

1. Players can only open-hand on a hard-driven ball.
What constitutes a hard-driven ball?
A hard-driven ball is a spike that is hit above the height of the net without a rainbow trajectory. You can open-hand receive a ball reflected off a block.
2. A full blocking motion by a blocker does not count as one of three hits.
3. Blocking a set is a fault.
4. When executing a spike, a player may cross the middle line as long as he does not interfere or touch the opposing player.
5. Players can hit the ball with any part of the body and it count as one of the 3 hits.
6. Players can hit and block any where on the court. No back row rule.

III. Receiving, serving and rotation:

1. Cannot not block or hit a serving ball.
2. Foot touching any part of the back line while serving is a loss of play.
4. Service touch of net is in play.
5. Cannot open-hand received a serve or a free ball.
6. Players can be anywhere at any time on the court as long as they rotate service.

IV. Scoring:

1. All score will be rally scoring system. Every side out is a point.
2. When the score reach half way by either team, both teams switch side.
3. Two 30-second time outs and one 5-minute injury time out are allowed per team per set.
4. Playoff ranked is determined first by win-loss record, point differential, then head-to-head.
5. Matches won by default will have a default score of "21-to-15" or "25-to-18" unless the forfeiting team already had more than 15 or 18 points respectively.

V. Game play and refereeing:

1. There is a 2 minute break between sets and a 5 minute warm-up between matches.
2. Refereeing team is responsible for bringing score sheet back to the table and calling the next match.
3. Only team captain is allowed to speak to the referee about game rules and concerns.
4. SPORTSMANSHIP-LIKE-CONDUCT IS REQUIRED. Absolutely NO PROFANITY.
5. REFEREE'S CALL IS FINAL. A replay is granted only if the referee accidently made a mistake in calling a fault that is allowed in the tournament game rules.