NGVB Ladder Tournament  
Spring 2023

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# 1. At a Glance

* Dates: 5/15/2023 - 6/23/2023
* Number of teams: 6 (more can be added at any point)
* Ladder Manager: [Eric Sy](mailto:eric.sy@ngc.com)
* Ladder rung width: 1
* Ladder Rules
  + Summary: challenge one of the next two available teams above you. Both teams are unavailable until the match is completed. No rematches within a week.
  + Detail: [see section](#_uic2kh9x1n0l)
* Game Rules
  + Summary: challenger and challengee come to consensus. If not, use the defaults defined in this doc.
  + Detail: [see section](#_8tlqdoygukem)
* Action: challenging a team
  + Summary:
    - Email ladder manager.
    - Agree on location, time, rules with opposing team.
    - Play match.
    - Report results.
  + Detail: [see section](#_pdpi21dy2l1)
* Action: your team is challenged
  + Summary:
    - Agree on location, time, rules.
    - Play match.
* Disputes
  + Rules are work in progress, subject to change at any time
  + Ladder manager has final say on all disputes
* Questions
  + Please reach out to the ladder manager

# 2. NGVB Ladder Rules

The volleyball ladder is a list of teams with the higher-skilled teams towards the top and the bottom having the lower-skilled teams

1. The ladder is initialized randomly, after that, new teams start at the bottom.
2. Teams can challenge either of the two nearest available teams above them on the ladder, where availability is defined in rule 6.
3. Once challenged, teams have 7 days (ends at midnight of 7th day) to schedule and play a match.
4. If the match is not played, the challenged team automatically forfeits.
5. If the challenging team wins, the teams swap ladder positions.
6. Once a team issues or receives a challenge, they are **unavailable** to issue/receive additional challenges until the match has been completed.
7. A team cannot challenge the same team twice within 7 days.
8. A player cannot be on more than one team.
9. The ladder is coed with no gender requirements for team composition.
10. BUSINESS HR courtesy rules apply (anything that needs to be here to comply with NG rules)
11. These rules are subject to change at any time.
12. The ladder manager has final say in managing disputes.

# 3. Volleyball Game Rules

1. Volleyball rules, location, and equipment will be decided between the two teams for each match. We suggest using the [defaults below](#_Default_Match_Rules).
   1. This includes rule/error leniency
2. If no consensus is reached, the following default rules will be used.

### Default Match Rules

1. Follow the [FIVB Official Beach Rules 2017-2020](https://www.fivb.org/EN/Refereeing-Rules/Documents/FIVB-BeachVolleyball_Rules_2017-2020-EN-v05.pdf)
2. Matches will be best of 3 games, games will go to 21 points (win by 2)
3. If a team (minimum 2 players) is 15 mins late to the scheduled match, it is an automatic forfeit for the absent team.
4. The players will ref their own games, if consensus on a play’s outcome cannot be decided, the point will be replayed.

### Default Equipment Rules

1. The players must have a consensus on the game ball before the match is played.
2. The players shall have a consensus on the game boundaries, or they will resort to the FIVB Beach volleyball standards:

### Substitution Rules

1. Unlimited in-game substitutions as long as each player only serves once every four rotations.

# 4. Volleyball Ladder Processes

### Entering the Ladder

1. Prospective teams [email ladder manager team details](#_Email_Templates) (members, email addresses, team name).
2. Ladder manager confirms team entry.
3. New team placed on bottom rung of ladder.

### Challenges

1. Review the NGVB Ladder and determine an [eligible](#_2._NGVB_Ladder) team to challenge.
2. Challenging team captain [emails ladder manager](#_Email_Templates) with the challenged team captain cc’d.
3. Ladder manager reviews and approves/denies match based on rules
4. Ladder manager changes teams’ availability
5. If approved, teams agree on rules and schedule match within the allotted timeframe (midnight of 7th day).
6. Teams [report results using the email template to ladder manager](#_Email_Templates) immediately upon completion of match
   1. Include Teams, players, and game scores.
7. Ladder manager updates ladder, changes teams’ availability

### Changes to Team Rosters

1. Team requesting a [change emails the ladder manager](#_Email_Templates) (changing members or adding substitutes)
2. Manager confirms change request ([see rules on substitutes](#_Substitution_Rules)).
3. Roster Subs are allowed with the approval of the ladder manager (they will check that they have filled out the paperwork and that the ladder rules are followed).
4. Subs cannot already be on a team in the ladder.

# 5. Logistics

1. We recommend using the Roy sand volleyball court, it can be “reserved” using the unauthenticated ^Conf-UT-Roy-Utah-Volleyball-Sports-Court conference room
2. Contact [Michael Miller](mailto:michael.s.miller@ngc.com) if you’d like to borrow some lines or a volleyball (quality not guaranteed)
3. It may be useful for teams to mark their after-work availability on their outlook calendar
4. It may be useful to schedule matches before work or at lunch to handle warm summer temperatures

### Email Templates

1. [*Join Ladder email template*](NGVB%20Ladder%20Join%20Ladder%20Tournament%20-%20Insert%20Team%20Name.msg)
2. [*Challenge email template*](NGVB%20Ladder%20Challenge%20-%20Insert%20YOUR%20Team%20Name.msg)
3. [Match Results Template](https://oursites.myngc.com/SP/SDSEngagement/Shared%20Documents/SDS%204%20RIC/RIC%20Rec%20Clubs/Volleyball%20Club/ladder_summer_2022/NGVB%20Ladder%20Match%20Results%20-%20Insert%20Team%20Name%20VS%20Insert%20challenged%20teams%20name.msg)
4. [*Roster Change email template*](NGVB%20Ladder%20Roster%20Change%20-%20Insert%20Team%20Name.msg)