



Volleyball Rules

All rules are according to FIVB (Federation International de Volleyball)

- A team that does not appear at the playing court on time, without a justifiable reason for the late coming, will lose the chance of playing and the points will be awarded to the opponent team.
- All league matches will be of 3 sets and all semi-finals and finals will be of 5 sets.
- A valid reason for the late coming is expected and needs to be presented in front of the OFFICIALS or JUDGES and their decision will be final.
- However, the team can continue to participate in the competition.
- Before the start of each set, the coach (or the captain, in case the coach is absent) has to present the starting line-up of his/her team on a line-up sheet.
- Once the line-up sheet has been submitted, no changes can be made without a regular substitution.

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- If two or more faults are committed successively, only the first one will be considered.
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- If faults are committed by both the teams simultaneously, then the point will become void i.e., it will be considered a common point.
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- Total number of players is 12 including the Libero.
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- Each team can request a maximum of 2 time-outs and 6 substitutions per set.
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- There must be a completed rally between two separate substitution requests by the same team.
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- Time-out requests must be made by showing the corresponding hand signal, when the ball is out of play and before the whistle for service.
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- All requested time-outs last for 30 seconds.

ROTATION

- Rotation is compulsory in the game.
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- Rotation faults will be penalized.

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BASIC VIOLATIONS

- Stepping on or over the line on a serve.
- Failure to serve the ball over the net successfully.
- Hitting the ball illegally (Carrying, Palming, Throwing, etc.).
- Touching the net with any part of the body while the ball is in play. If the ball is driven into the net in a way that the net comes in contact with the opposing player, no foul will be called, and the ball shall continue to be in play.
- Reaching over the net, except under these conditions:
 - When executing a follow-through.
 - When blocking a ball which is in the opponents' court but is being returned (the blocker must not be in the ball's contact until the opponent, who is attempting to return the ball, makes contact). Except to block the third play.
- Reaches under the net (if it interferes with the ball or opposing player).
- Failure to serve in the correct order.

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CONDUCT:

- Participants must know the “Official Volleyball Rules” and abide by them.
- Participants must accept referees’ decisions with sportsmanlike conduct, without disputing them.
- In case of doubt, clarification may be requested only through the game captain.
- Participants must refrain from actions or attitudes aimed at influencing the decisions of the referees or covering up faults committed by their team.
- FAIR PLAY.
- Participants must behave respectfully and courteously in the spirit of fair play, not only towards the referees but also towards other officials, opponents, team-mates and spectators.
- If found guilty of actions which are unsportsmanlike, action will be taken according to the gravity of the situation, which may range from a mere warning to expulsion from the game.
- The decision of the referees is final and they will take into consideration the judgment of the linesmen.

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- All the above rules are subject to change under certain unavoidable circumstances. This may be carried out by the coordinators (volleyball), event executive (volleyball), or head events.
- Rules are on the same lines of FIVB and the decision of the referees is final.

****Rules & schedule are subject to change in the spirit of the game & festival. The final decision rests with the VAJRA organizing team.**

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