



Any rules that are not stated will be governed by the United States Volleyball Association (USAVB) Rule Book.

1. **Set Up:** Teams playing on the grass will set up the nets and take them down. *Please arrive by 6:00pm to get the nets set up.*
2. **Coin Toss:** Team reps administer rock/paper/scissors themselves at the court. The winner may serve *or* take the choice of court for the start of play. The loser of the toss will have the choice for the second game.
3. **Time Limit:** Matches will be scheduled every 40 minutes. Match play will be continuous. Players should expect to be at the park until their matches have been played (approximately 2.75 hours).
4. **Warm Up:** In order to keep the matches going, teams will be allowed a short, less than 5 minute, warm up period.
5. **Scoring and Results of the Match:** Each match will consist of three (3) games to fifteen (15) points (rally scoring), winning by two (2) points, cap at 17. Switch sides only at the end of game, not during the games. Leagues with four teams will play the best three out of five game formats. **If matches are running late, the supervisor has the authority to shorten the length/number of games if needed to complete the matches for that night. Number of games and points played may be changed to complete all matches during the time allotted.**
6. **Number of Players:** Coed 4's leagues will have a maximum of two (2) males participating on the court, if a full team is present. This means a team must have at least one (1) female and no more than two (2) males on the court at any time.
7. **Rotation:** Players must serve in rotation, but may line up in any position. The service rotation must be male/female (if applicable). If a player serves out of rotation it is an automatic side out.
8. **Forfeits:** If, at game time (6:15pm), a team does not have at least three (3) players (one (1) of which must be a woman in coed play or two (2) for doubles) on the court, the first game is forfeited. By fifteen (15) minutes after the time has started, teams that do not have three (3) players (one (1) must be female) will forfeit the match. If a team drops below three (3) players due to an on the court injury, they may continue play with two players. When a forfeit is declared, teams can practice until the next teams are ready to play. The supervisor will make the final forfeit decision.
9. **Time Outs:** Every team will have two (2) 30-second time outs per set.
10. **Under the Net:** Players may go under the net as long as they do not interfere with another player's ability to play the ball.
11. **Coed Rule (4's):** The "coed" rule is in effect. If there is more than one (1) contact on a side, a female must contact the ball before it goes over the net.
12. **Open Hand "Dinks":** Are not allowed. One-handed placement or redirection of the ball with the fingers (a "dink" or "open-hand tip") is a fault.
13. **Blocking:** No restrictions exist as to which players may participate in the block. A block does not count as a hit.
14. **Contact:** The ball may be contacted with any part of the body.
15. **Double Hits:** Are not allowed except on a hard driven attack. It is illegal to receive a served ball by setting the ball
16. **Attacks:** All players are eligible to attack the ball. There are no back row restrictions.
17. **Sets:** All sets over the net must leave the setters body perpendicular to the feet and shoulders (i.e.; straight forward or backward). It is illegal to receive a served ball using the fingers in a setting action, provided there is not a double contact or a held ball.
18. **Substitutions:** There will be unlimited free substitutions. A male must be substituted for a male and a female for a female.
19. **Service:** The server may serve from anywhere behind their baseline. Any portion of the foot touching the baseline at the time of the serve is a violation. **There are no jump serves allowed in the "B" division.**
20. **Out of Bounds:** Poles are considered out of bounds and the ball must travel inside the poles when crossing the plane of the net. If a team cannot agree, replay the point. If players make contact with the poles or support ropes, after contacting the ball, play continues unless the contact interferes with the point that would be a side out or point.
21. **Weather:** There will be no guarantee that matches cancelled due to weather will be made up.
22. All matches are self officiated with a "make your own calls" format. Any disputed call will be a replay.
23. **Champion Shirts will be given for the first place team in each division.**
24. **AT THE END OF THE NIGHT TEAMS MUST TAKE DOWN THE NET AND GIVE IT TO THE SUPERVISOR**
25. **If there are any problems or questions during match play, contact the field supervisor for rulings. The field supervisor's decision is final.**
26. **NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARE ALLOWED IN ANY CITY PARK.**