

152 CLUB VOLLEYBALL GENERAL LEAGUE RULES

Player/Team Conduct

1. Sportsmanship & Respect

- All players are expected to **demonstrate good sportsmanship** before, during, and after games.
- **Trash talk, taunting, or unsportsmanlike behavior** (toward players, referees, or spectators) is not tolerated.
- Respect the **referees' decisions**—only team captains may approach referees regarding a call.
- Any **verbal or physical altercations** will result in immediate disciplinary action.

2. Communication with Referees & Staff

- Only **team captains** may discuss calls with the referees.
- Excessive arguing, swearing, or **disrespecting officials** can result in a warning or ejection.
- If there is an issue with officiating, report concerns to the **league organizer after the match**, not during gameplay.

3. Prohibited Behavior & Ejections

- **No profanity, vulgar remarks, or harassment** toward referees, opponents, spectators, or 152 Club staff.
- **No yelling, excessive arguing, or disruptive behavior** before, during, or after games.
- **First offense:** Warning or suspension for one night of play.
- **Second offense:** Suspension for the remainder of the season.
- **Physical altercations or threats** will result in immediate expulsion from the league without a refund.

4. Alcohol & Outside Beverages

- **No outside food or drinks** are allowed. Food and beverages are available for purchase at the bar & grill.
- **Outside alcohol is strictly prohibited.** Any player caught bringing in outside alcohol will be **removed from the league** for the remainder of the season.
- No **smoking or drinking** on the courts—dispose of cigarettes properly.

5. Honor Code & Fair Play

- **Honor calls** are expected—players should call their own faults (e.g., touches, lifts, or net violations) if unnoticed by the referee.
- Teams should **play fairly and honestly** and respect the game.

Waivers & Eligibility

1. Player Eligibility

- This is an **18+ adult league**; however, minors may participate under specific conditions.
- Minors **must have a legal guardian** on the same team and sign a waiver.
- Minors are **not allowed in the building after 10 PM.**

2. Waiver Requirement

- **All players must sign a waiver** before participating in any league matches.
- Waivers acknowledge **risk, liability, and sportsmanship expectations.**
- Captains are responsible for ensuring that **all team members have completed waivers before the first game.**

3. Substitutes & Roster Changes

- Teams may use substitute players during the **regular season** but not during playoffs unless the substitute is on the roster.
- **Roster changes** must be submitted before a set deadline (e.g., by the third week of play).
- Teams must have **at least 4 players to compete in a match** (for 6's leagues).

4. Refund & Ejection Policy

- **No refunds** will be issued if a player or team is removed from the league due to inappropriate behavior.
- Players ejected for misconduct **will be suspended** based on the severity of the infraction:
 - **1st offense:** One match suspension
 - **2nd offense:** Season suspension
- Any physical altercation results in **immediate removal** from the league.

Fees & Registration

1. League Fees

- **League fees vary** based on the format (e.g., 4's, 6's, or 2's) and whether your team is a returning 152 Club VB team or a new team.
- Fees must be **paid in full before the first scheduled match** to secure your spot in the league.
- Team captains are responsible for ensuring all fees are collected and paid on time.

2. Registration Process

- **Step 1:** Visit **152club.com** to register your team.
- **Step 2:** Fill out all required information, including **team name, captain's contact information, and roster.** The full roster doesn't have to be submitted right away during registration.
- **Step 3:** Submit payment online or through other accepted methods.

- **Step 4:** Ensure all team members **sign the waiver** before the first match.

3. Payment Policies

- Payments can be made via credit card during the registration process.
- If a team has not paid by the deadline, their spot may be **forfeited to a waitlisted team**.
- No partial payments or pay-per-game options are available—fees cover the entire season.

4. Refund Policy

- **No refunds** will be issued once the league has started.
- Refunds may be considered **before the first match** only if:
 - The team **withdraws due to unforeseen circumstances** and notifies the league director in advance.
 - A **replacement team is found** before the start of the season.
- If a team is **removed from the league** due to violations of conduct policies, no refunds will be given.

5. Late Registrations & Waitlist

- If a league reaches capacity, additional teams may be placed on a **waitlist** and contacted if a spot opens up.
- Late registrations are subject to **league discretion** and may be accepted **only if space allows**.

Weather Policies

We aim to avoid calling rainouts or weather cancellations too early in the day since weather can change quickly. If we cancel too soon and conditions improve, teams may be upset that we didn't wait. Conversely, if we wait too long and the weather worsens, this can also lead to dissatisfaction. While we know we can't please everyone, we make decisions based on the best information available.

In the event of nearby lightning, we will take a 20-minute break indoors. After 20 minutes, we'll reassess the situation and may cancel the remainder of that match while waiting for the next one.

If you ever feel unsafe on the courts due to weather, please prioritize your comfort and safety. This is a personal decision, and we respect your judgment.

If we cancel the leagues, it's for the safety of our referees and players. If you choose to continue playing without referees, that decision is entirely up to you and your team. Please send your scores to the league director when you are completed.

League Communication

1. League Announcements & Updates

- All league updates, including schedules, weather cancellations, and playoff details, will be communicated through the following channels:
 - **Email:** Important updates and reminders will be sent to team captains.
 - **Facebook Group:** [152 Club Bar & Grill Volleyball Leagues | Facebook] – for schedule changes, announcements, and discussions.
 - **Push Notifications TeamSideline App:** The primary hub for schedules, scores, and standings.

2. Contacting the League

- **General inquiries:** Email 152clubvb@gmail.com for any questions regarding scheduling, rules, or other league-related concerns.
- **Scheduling conflicts:** If your team has a conflict or issue with the schedule, reach out as soon as possible to discuss potential adjustments.
- **Score disputes or game-related concerns:** Contact the league director **within 24 hours** of your match to report discrepancies or concerns.

3. Captain Responsibilities

- Captains are responsible for:
 - Relaying all league communications to their team members.
 - Ensuring their team **shows up on time** for scheduled matches.
 - Addressing any concerns with the league on behalf of their team.

4. Social Media & Community Engagement

- Players are encouraged to engage with the **league community** through our **Facebook Group**, where updates, photos, and discussions happen regularly.
- If you have great action shots or team highlights, feel free to share them in the group!

5. Emergency & Last-Minute Cancellations

- In case of **weather-related cancellations**, decisions will be made as soon as possible and communicated via:
 - **Email** to captains
 - **Facebook Group** post
 - **TeamSideline app update**
- If a last-minute issue prevents your team from playing, please notify the league director immediately to avoid unnecessary forfeits.