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Coed 6's Volleyball League Rules of Play

HAVE FUN!

Remember it's what this is all about!

TEAM COMPOSITION

All Coed 6's players must sign the waiver before they will be allowed to play with a team. This is Coed, so you must have **at least one** of the players on the court be female. Teams will never be allowed to play with more than 3 males on the court.

ADDITIONAL PLAYERS:

Teams may add additional players, no more than eight (8), to their roster through the evening of the 6th week without penalty.

GAME TIME:

Game times is 6pm each and every week for the 1st match followed by match 2 around 7pm. If you are not present on your court at game time your 1st game is a forfeit. Game two forfeits begin 20 minutes later, and game 3 forfeits are 40 minutes after your match start time. You only need four players to start. Please be respectful and be on your court at your specified match time.

ROSTERS AND SUBBING GUIDELINES:

The idea is to have no team forfeit their match. Having said this, teams may get sub players to fill in for their team for the night.

Players may be added to your roster at any time up until the tournament. No player will be allowed to play with more than one team during the tournament

ROTATION ORDER, SUBSTITUTION VS. ROTATING

Teams will line up with males and females alternating in the service rotation. The exception will be if a team is playing with 3, 4 (playing 4's with one female, 3 males) or 5 players. Additional players for your team can be entered into play by either substitution or rotation. The captain should inform the other team which option will be used. If substitution is used, an unlimited number of entries into the game will be allowed per position. If rotation is used, the captain should identify the position at which the substitutes are entering. (You can not use both options during the same game, except for an injury substitution.) So that forfeits are kept to a minimum, teams may play with as few as 2 people (one male, one female) on court. If additional players arrive, they can enter the game at any stoppage of play without using a timeout. A player may not go onto an adjacent court to make a play on the ball, nor can there be any follow through by a player onto an adjacent court after playing the ball if there is a scheduled game on that court.

There is no center line in outdoor volleyball, so no center line violations can be called. Interference can be called if a player crosses under the net and is deemed to have interfered with or precluded players from the opposing team from playing the ball.

Balls on-- Play is stopped for a ball coming onto your court.

AT THE NET

Any contact with the net by a player *during play at the net* (other than with hair) is a violation.

UNDER THE NET: Players may go under the net as long as they do not interfere with another player's ability to get a ball. If the ball touches you while you are under the net, it is a point for the other team. If you interfere with a player on the other side, point for the other team.

OUT OF BOUNDS AND BOUNDARY ROPES: If a boundary rope is pulled up, replay the point. Poles are considered out of bounds and the ball must travel inside the poles when crossing the plane of the net. If teams cannot agree, replay the point. If players make contact with the poles or support ropes, play may continue unless it affects the point (i.e., the equipment collapses = side out; the net shakes, and there is a net violation = side out; the net moves but it does not affect play; play on, etc.). 99% of the time when the line moves, the ball is in. The other 1% is when a ball is clearly out and the line moves from the sand or grass, the ball is out. Again, if teams cannot agree, replay the point.

GOING ON THE OTHER COURTS: If there is a scheduled game on the adjacent court you are not allowed to go on that court. If you do, the play stops and it is a point for the other team.

OVERLAPS

Just try to remember no back row player may be closer to the net than his corresponding front row player at the time of contact for service.... No middle or right side player may be closer to the left sideline than the left side player and no middle or left side player may be closer to the right sideline than the right side player at the time of contact for service.

CONTACTING THE BALL

Serving ... A ball released/ tossed/ jumped up/ for service must be contacted. A side out will be awarded if you toss the ball for service and let it drop / or do not make contact. You may not block or attack a serve. A served ball that contacts the net, goes over and remains in play is good, play on!

Three contacts are allowed per team in order to play the ball over the net. A **Block** does **not** count as one of the 3 contacts.

If more than one contact is used by a team to play the ball (not including the block) a female must make one of the contacts. The female contact can occur during any of the 3 contacts (guy-girl- guy / guy-guy- girl/etc.) A block followed by another male sending the ball over the net is considered play on.

The ball may not be carried, lifted, thrown, heaved, passed like a football, etc. Double hits **are allowed** on the first contact of **any** ball. (Yes, it can get really ugly and no it doesn't need to be hard driven)

BACK ROW BLOCKERS

When there are 2 women and one male in the front row... a back row male player may come up to block. He may not complete an attack hit on the ball. No **back row** female player can participate in a block regardless of female numbers and/ or positioning on the front row.

BACK ROW ATTACKS

Should a back row player in the front zone attack or direct (hand set) a ball that is totally above the top plane of the net, then that player has committed a back row attack and is a side out to the opposing team.

TIME-OUTS:

Each team is allowed one (1) time-out per game. Time-outs are 30 seconds.

SHOES:

Players should plan on playing in bare feet, tennis shoes or cleat-less shoes. All other shoes (especially cleats) tend to not only RUIN the grass we play on, but also ruin the tops of other players' feet!!! **CLEATS ARE STRICTLY PROHIBITED!!!**

Language: No cussing or profanity is allowed. If you cuss you owe the other team drinks... Some of you -- Remember to bring a lot! Those of you who can't control this, well we have numbers so you can call and schedule your anger management classes.

RAIN DAYS:

Keep in mind that we rarely cancel this league since our goal is to play as much ball as possible, and the weather can improve in a matter of minutes. Our standard policy is to call the league, at the park, at 6PM. There are occasional days where the weather will be obvious, that play is, or will be cancelled and common sense should dictate. On those rare days, when it is truly miserable, you will know we are canceling. When possible, we will post cancellations at the website www.votr.com by 4pm. Rain days will not be made up.

REMEMBER THE FUN!

It's the people you're here playing with, the friends, family and/ or coworkers not the prizes that you're going to win at the end of this that's important.