

Volleyball Rules

~Let the Players Play, Coaches Coach and Referees Ref ~

The Audience is expected to cheer with **Positive Encouragement** and for the whole team!

1. Only registered GOYANS from the Metropolis of Atlanta may be Included in these WYR Games.
2. **All games will start at Center Court with the The Lords Prayer.**
3. Matches will start promptly at 9:00 a.m. and play will begin at the specific start time assigned to each match. Captains will be called 15 minutes before first match and warm-ups start at 10 minutes before.
4. Referee and 2-line judges will be assigned for each match.
5. Warm-ups will be 4 minutes per team and 2 minutes shared for serving.
6. Line-up sheets will be provided and must be submitted to the referee at least 2 minutes before the match.
7. Substitutions will be unlimited after check-in with the referee and will be by position, i.e. players can only play in one position in the rotation.
8. The very first matches of only the first day of tournament play is given a grace period of 10 minutes. Any matches subsequent thereafter, on the first or second day of tournament play **IF YOU ARE LATE IS CONSIDERED A FORFEIT** given your specific allotted time.
9. Uniforms are recommended with numbers front and back, but refs will work with you. Liberos must wear contrasting uniforms. Liberos may serve.
10. All servers must serve from behind the end line. No "step in" will be allowed.

In the Co-ed Division please be aware of these differences:

1. Lineups and serving order must alternate male and female.
2. Liberos may only replace same gender players.
3. When the ball is played more than once by a team, a female player must make at least one of the contacts. (A touch on the block does not count.)
4. For Co-ed, a team **MUST** always have two boys on the court. *There cannot be more than 3 boys on the court at the same time.* If a team only has two boys on its roster, they might consider adding boys, as a backup, should an injury occur

Competition will be conducted under the "Domestic Competition Regulations 2011-2013" (DCR) of the USAV unless noted. A copy of the DCR can be ordered, read or downloaded at <http://usavolleyball.org/resources/officials-rules/domestic-competition-regulations>. If you enter www.usavolleyball.org and go to the "resources" tab and then "officials and rules" it will get you there. If it's easier, there is also a link to rules comparisons of USAV/NCAA/high school rules.

In the DCR in Rule 7, 20.1.2 and 20.2.1 it states that:

All participants must behave respectfully and courteously in the spirit of FAIR PLAY, not only toward the referees, but also toward other officials, the opponents, teammates, and spectators. It also states that participants must accept the referees' decisions with sportsmanlike conduct, without disputing them.