

# Coed and Women's Competitive Volleyball League Rules

## **SCHEDULES**

1. Match schedules will be distributed at the manager's meeting and via email and our website, [www.northvilleparksandrec.org](http://www.northvilleparksandrec.org).
2. In case inclement weather occurs during the day, call the Recreation Department Hotline at 248-449-9951 **after 4:00 p.m.** to check if matches will be cancelled.
3. Position/round robin/playoff schedules will be determined by:
  - a. Team record
  - b. Head to Head
  - c. Total points scored
  - d. Coin flip

Note: Two teams deemed to be in 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place prior to last nite of play, are only two teams that will be considered for the championship.
4. Forfeits...After the second match forfeit, the team shall be removed from the league and lose returning team status. Any forfeit... team loses entire forfeit refund. Also refer to MATCH PROCEDURES #4 for additional concerning forfeits.

## **AWARDS**

1. All players on the First Place Team at the end of the season ("A" & "B" division for women) in each league will receive a Northville Parks and Recreation Championship T-shirt.

## **LEAGUE CLASSIFICATION**

1. The number of entries will determine the number of classifications for a given league as voted upon by team mgrs. Fall champs compete in State Parks & Rec tournament in "B" division.

## **PLAYER REGISTRATION AND ELIGIBILITY**

1. Rosters must be on file at the recreation office by week #3. If your roster is challenged and you have not turned one in, your match will be an automatic forfeit. "B" classified teams can only have one player on their roster that is also on any "A" classified team roster. If a rostered B player chooses to play in the A division also, their classification becomes an A player.
2. New players/subs may sign the team roster and pay non-resident fees, if applicable, during business hours. In order to be eligible to play in a league match, the roster must be signed prior to the scheduled match. There is no requirement for teams to wear matching shirts or shirts with numbers. No fitted headgear or medallion type jewelry is allowed. Rings should be restricted to flat band rings as to not create a safety hazard.
3. The maximum number of players per team shall be twelve (12). Managers may add players until the workday prior to your 7<sup>th</sup> match of the season.

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4. Legal age player....must be 18 years old and/or turn 18 years old prior to the end of the current season. Players who are 17+ years old at start of the season must submit a parental/guardian consent form in order to play. A team's failure to do so is subject to an opponent's protest and forfeit for any games played involving said player."
5. Players can only sign/play with one team in the league (or division if applicable) they are participating in.
6. **SUBS....**
  - a. SUB IS A PLAYER THAT PLAYS 3 GAMES OR LESS FOR THE SAME TEAM, MORE THEN 3 THEY ARE FULL TIME AND SUBJECT TO THE FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS.
  - b. SUBS ARE ONLY ALLOWED TO BE ROSTERED/PLAY ON ONE TEAM IN THAT LEAGUE. A PLAYER CAN BE A SUB FOR ANOTHER TEAM IN A DIFFERENT LEAGUE, EXCEPTION...MONDAY WOMEN'S, IF A "B" DIV TEAM ALREADY HAS THE ALLOTTED ONE "A" PLAYER ON THEIR ROSTER, ANOTHER "A" PLAYER CANNOT BE SIGNED AS A SUB.

### MATCH PROCEDURES

1. Current USAV rules will be in effect unless otherwise stated in these rules, including kicking the ball, rally scoring and let serves.  
There must be at least four players on the court at all times, for coed leagues, at least one of each gender. There may be more men than women on the court, however, the ghost rule will apply. "Wherever" the third woman should be on the court, that position will be vacant. When the missing woman comes around to serve, the other team will get the ball AND a point. There must always be at least two (2) women on the court and no more than three (3) men.

For women's league, there must be at least four women on the court at all times.

Please Note: In Coed, any person coming up from the back row to block, must raise their hand so referee sees their intent to block. The 10 foot rule is in effect. The line is marked on the floor. This applies to all leagues.

2. **Coed and Women's Leagues:** A match will consist of three games. The first two games have a limit of 25 minutes. The referee will give a two-minute warning. The third game must end five(5) minutes before the next match. All games are rally scoring to 25. Games that do not end due to time will be played to 25 with a 2-point advantage. Each game has a cap of 27 points. If the score is 26-26, the next point wins.

**All Leagues:** There will be a coin flip before the first game to determine serve. All matches will end five (5) minutes prior to the start time of the next match to allow for warm-up time.

**The manager must sign the score sheet at the beginning and at the end of the match.**

4. First game forfeit will be called at match time, the second and third game forfeits will be called at fifteen minutes after match time. Clocks on gym wall will determine match time. One match forfeit will result in the loss of all forfeit fees paid. If a team forfeits two matches in one season, they will be dropped from the league. All scheduled matches against them will be recorded as wins for the opposing team, and the team will lose returning team status.

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5. In case of a double forfeit, both teams will receive match losses and the referee will be paid from their forfeit deposits. **Do not pay refs if match is forfeited.**
6. If adding a 5th and/or 6th player, a time-out must be called. If the team has no more time-outs, the player may not enter.
7. Substitutions are allowed at any time. Both teams may elect to sub.
8. Teams **cannot borrow** a player from another team for any reason.
9. **A player should never enter another court at any time!** Play is allowed between the courts, but even if played between the courts a player is not allowed to enter the other court due to momentum. Ball entering from another court, ref should blow the whistle to stop action and call for a replay.
10. Each team will receive one point for each game won, zero for each loss.
11. One official per match will be provided. Each team pays **the referee \$10.00 per match** have correct change please. Penalty for failure to pay the official constitutes a forfeit.
12. **"Rotating in"** is allowed **after your side out**.. Once a team starts "rotating in", they must "rotate in" the rest of the game, except in the case of an injury. Rotating around a specific position is not allowed.
13. Each team may take two 30 second time outs per game. There will be no time outs called in the last two minutes of the final game being played.
14. Unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated. Punishment, including expulsion and forfeit, will be at the discretion of the game referee.
15. There is a woman hit rule in the coed leagues. As long as there is more than one hit on a side, **one of the hits** has to be by a woman. Men coming up to block have to signal to the ref, prior to **each** serve, by raising their hand.
16. Libero...if a team chooses to field a team utilizing a "Libero", it is up to that team to insure it meets all the guidelines and rules as described in the USVBA Rules, especially the uniform/shirt requirement! Three or four different colored shirts on other players and then the Libero in another color is not acceptable. Five players in the same colored shirt and the Libero in a contrasting will meet the necessary requirement. Mgrs must notify the official before the match begins that they are utilizing a Libero.

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17. Protests...as noted in the Northville Adult League Handbook, the team must file a written statement to the Recreation office outlining reason for the protest. This written statement must be rec'd by the Rec Dept office the next business day and must be accompanied by a \$20 protest fee, which will be refunded is the protest is upheld. If denied the fee becomes the property of the Northville Recreation Dept.

### **HILLSIDE COURT GUIDELINES**

1. Serving can be done from anywhere behind the endline, between the sidelines. **A serve may be tossed in the air only once.** There are no re-serves. If you toss the ball up to serve and let it hit the floor, or catch it, you lose the serve and the opposing team receives a point. Once the referee blows the whistle, you have **eight (8) seconds to serve.**
2. A serve or any other ball in play, **hitting the endline basketball rim, net, backboard or any black support metal** will result in a replay, unless, at the referee's discretion, the ball was not playable.

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3. The ceiling is in bounds on each team's side of the net, but out of bounds on the other side of the net.

### **GYMNASIUM RULES:**

1. CHILDREN UNDER AGE 12 are **not allowed to wander around** the Hillside building. If children are brought to volleyball matches, they **must be supervised** by an adult who is not playing that evening. Northville Recreation is not responsible for children who are injured during the course of this program. We don't want to embarrass anyone by asking them to control their children.
2. Any children causing play to be stopped will cause the offending team to be on probation. Any continued violations, will be cause for forfeiture of the rest of the games for that evening. Children that are within ten feet of the playing area will be reason to stop play. Referee's judgment will be final regarding this rule.
3. No food or drink allowed in the gym.