

City of Hilliard Volleyball Rules

Adopted for the 2014 Sessions

Unless otherwise noted, USA rules will be used.

All rules are subject to review and revision by Hilliard Recreation & Parks Department Staff

Fee Payment

Full team payment shall be due on required new league unless prior arrangements have been made and approved by the Deputy Recreation Director of Recreation and Parks. Fees should be paid in one lump sum, rather than by individuals. Fees can be processed at the front desk or online.

House Rules

1. Matches will consist of 5 games, except in tournament play where game length may vary.
2. A team must be prepared to begin the match at game time with the required amount of players on the floor. A grace period of 10 minutes will be allowed after which the 1st game of the match is forfeited. If unable to field a team (minimum of 3 roster players) within 25 minutes of a scheduled start time, the entire match is forfeited.
3. A serve must be attempted within the designated serving area when playing on divided court. Serving area on full court will be the entire black line.
4. There is one timeout per team per game.
5. When using two courts, the referee will decide on whether the ball is playable off the backboard. All walls, balconies or curtains are out of play.
6. When using one court, all basketball hoops, rims are out of bounds. Center yellow beam is played as out of bounds and the center track is a replay.
7. Replays are allowed at the referee's discretion.

Rosters

1. Completed rosters are created on the first night of league play. A maximum of 10 players are listed.
2. Co-Rec teams may play with a combination that does not exceed one more male than female (ex. 3 men and 2 women)
3. To qualify for the playoff roster, a player must
 - a. Be listed on the roster
 - or
 - b. Have played in two games for the team during the season

Note: If a player subs two times for a team, and you plan to have them for the playoffs, you must let the commissioner know that they have qualified for playoffs. If a sub is on a different playoff roster, they must first compete for that team.
4. Rosters may be changed up until week eight of the season. However, once a player has played in a game they are locked to this roster. If a locked player moves from the area or is injured for the rest of the season special circumstances may arise and are dealt with on a case by case basis. Another exception sits within the sub rule, if a player subs two times at any point of the season, they will be added to the playoff eligible section of the roster.
5. A release must be signed once during each calendar year.
6. A player must be a minimum of 18 years of age to compete in the adult leagues.
7. A player may be listed on only one roster per league. In Co-rec leagues a player may be listed on only one roster between the two divisions.
8. One Substitute is permitted in the playoffs in emergency circumstances.
9. The commissioner keeps a list of free agents who are available to sub or join teams permanently.

Substitutions

1. A team shall consist of at least 3 roster players and not more than 2 subs during a regular season match. During the playoffs or tournament only one sub may be used.
2. Team substitutions during play must be made at the serving position only. Team additions may be made at any position. Substitutions may be made player for player or substitutions may be made with a complete rotation of all players during a game.
3. Any player may sub on any team in the division. A player in the B division can sub for an A team but an A player cannot sub into the B division.
4. Substitutes may not be used for a match if a team has a full complement of roster players present.

Behavior Sportsmanship will be handled by the referee as follows

1. A warning is given through the captain about the player in question
2. A yellow card with point or a side out will be awarded
3. A red card with the player having 5 minutes to leave the building. Anyone ejected will serve an automatic one game suspension for the next scheduled match and possibly longer.

Game Timing and Scoring

1. All games will be played to 21, win by 2 with a cap of 25 using rally scoring. Recreation and Parks department can modify limits based on time constraint.

Make-Up and Rescheduled Games

If a game can be potentially made-up the commissioner will try to find a time to fit the game in. No guarantees are made and if it is not made up the displacing team will forfeit. In the event the center is closed, we will find a time to make up all games.

Babysitting

All children 11 years of age and under must be in direct supervision of a non-playing adult. Children 12 and older may sit in the gym and watch the appropriate behavior.

Attire

1. No black marking soles will be permitted on the gym floor
2. No jewelry will be permitted during play. The only exception will be plain bands. Any jewelry unable to be removed must be covered with tape or a band-aid
3. No hats or visors
4. No bare feet

League Relegation and Promotion

Aside from unusual circumstances, the regular season winner of the B division in Fall and Winter will have the opportunity to play into the A division. If requested by the B champion a challenge match, best of 5 will be played. Unusual circumstances are defined as league expansion or reduction or a team requesting to stay in B.

Championship Prizes and Awards

League regular season winners will receive a shirt commemorating their achievements whereas tournament champs will get their team name and session on a plaque to be hung in the Community Center.

Miscellaneous

The acting commissioner and the City of Hilliard Recreation and Parks department reserve the right to change or manage any rules and situations that arise.