



Beach volleyball rules for coed and reverse coed, teams must contain at least one male and one female player, unless otherwise specified by the tournament director. Opposing teams need not contain equal numbers of males and females. You must have a minimum of 4 people the day of the tournament in order to play otherwise you will have to forfeit play.

Participants must know the Official Volleyball Rules and abide by them.

- We are scoring on the honor system. Each team will keep its own score which will be monitored by an official at the net.
- NO CHEATING ALLOWED
- You may only play one **ONE** team in the tournament
- Each game will be subject to a 30 minute timeline
- After the serve, front line players may switch positions at the net
- Players alternate service
- Rotate after each rally
- There will be rotation errors assessed
- Each team is entitled to a maximum of 2 timeouts per set (game)
- Maximum of three hits per side
- Player may not hit the ball twice in succession (A block is not considered a hit)
- Ball may be played off the net during a volley and on a serve
- A ball hitting a boundary line is "in"
- It is **legal** to contact the ball with any part of a players body
- It is **illegal** to catch, hold, or throw the ball
- If two or more players contact the ball at the same time, it is considered one play and either player involved may make the next contact (provided the next contact isn't the teams 4th hit)

Playing Faults - Rules of Volleyball

1. **FOUR HITS:** A team contacts the volleyball 4 times before returning it.
2. **ASSISTED HIT:** A player gets support from a teammate in order to make a play on a volleyball.
3. **CATCH:** The volleyball is caught or thrown. It doesn't rebound from the contact.
4. **DOUBLE CONTACT:** A player contacts the volleyball twice (2 separate attempts) in succession or the ball contacts various parts of a player's body in succession.

Scoring System – Beach Volleyball Rules

Seating

Each team will play one game to 25 in the seating round. Once that round is completed each team will be seated accordingly to the elimination round. The elimination round will then be bracketed into two separate brackets (a losing and a winning bracket). Every team will play a minimum of 3 games.

A Set

The first 2 sets are won by the team that scores 25 points first. In the case of a 25 to 25 tie, play is continued until one team has a 2 point advantage.

A Rally

Whenever a team fails in serving, fails to return the ball to the opponent, or commits any faults, the opposing team wins the rally.

The result of winning the rally...

- If the opponents served, they get a point and continue serving.
- If the opponents received the serve, they get a point and gain the right to serve next.

Fair Play

Participants must behave respectfully and courteously in the spirit of FAIR PLAY not only toward the referees, but also toward other officiating crew, opponents, and spectators.

Communication between team members during the match is permitted.

Minor Misconduct

Minor misconduct offenses aren't subject to sanctions. It is the officials duty to prevent the teams from approaching the sanctioning level by issuing a verbal or hand signal warning. The warning should be given to the team member through the **team captain**. This warning is not a sanction and has no immediate consequences.

Misconduct Leading to Sanctions

Incorrect conduct by a team member towards officials, opponents, teammates, or spectators is classified in three categories according to the seriousness of the offense...

- Rude Conduct
Action contrary to good manners or moral principles, or expressing contempt.
- Offensive Conduct
Defamatory or insulting words or gestures.
- Aggression
Physical attack or intended aggression.
- Disqualification
A team member who is sanctioned by disqualification must leave the remainder of the match with no other consequences.

The **first aggression** is sanctioned with a warning; anything to follow will result in disqualification and no other consequences.

