

2007-2008 DOMESTIC COMPETITION REGULATIONS SIGNIFICANT RULE CHANGES AND CLARIFICATIONS

USAV 4.3.3

1. Deleted USAV 4.3.3: "The players' jerseys must be numbered from 1 to 99. Duplicate numbers are not allowed."
2. Replaced with: "The players' jerseys must be must be numbered in a permanent manner from 1 to 99. Duplicate jerseys are not allowed."

USAV Rule 4.3.3.1 a and b

1. Deleted USAV 4.3.3.1 a: "Numbers must be clearly visible. Each jersey must use the same color and number height for all players except the Libero."
2. Replaced with new USAV 4.3.3.1a: "Uniform numbers must be clearly visible and centered on the chest and back. Each jersey must use the same color and number height for all players except the Libero".
3. Deleted USAV 4.3.3.1 b: "The number must be placed in the center of the back. For the front, the number must be either centered or the top of the number must be no more than 12.5 cm (5") down from the shoulder seam. The medial edge of the number must be no more than 7.5 cm (3") from the midline of the jersey. It is recommended now and required Nov. 1, 2007: Uniform numbers centered on the chest and on the back."

USAV Rules 5.3.1 and 5.3.2

1. Deleted USAV rule 5.3.2: The assistant coach(es) may give instructions to the players on the court. The assistant coach(es) may give these instructions while standing or walking within the free zone in front of his/her team bench from the extension of the attack line up to the warm-up area, without disturbing or delaying the match."
2. Added USAV rule 5.3.1 to read: "While remaining on the bench, the assistant coach(es) may give instructions to the players on the court."

USAV Rule 7.2.2

1. Edited USAV rule 7.2.2 to read: "For nationally sanctioned adult competition, it is recommended that teams warm up together at the net for 10 minutes if both team captains agree; otherwise each team will have five minutes separately. For consecutive warm-ups, the team with first service has the court first."
2. Deleted: "For nationally sanctioned USA Volleyball Junior Olympic competition, it is recommended that teams spend two minutes with ball handling and spend four minutes separately at the net. The team with the first service has the court first."
3. Replaced with: "The protocols described on pages 155 and 156 will be used at the Open Division of the Adult Championships, High Performance Championships, the National Junior Olympic Championships and the Junior Invitational."

Rule 9.1.2.3

1. Deleted Rule 9.1.2.3 "If simultaneous hits by two opponents over the net lead to a "CATCH", it is a "DOUBLE FAULT" and the rally is replayed."
2. Replaced with 9.1.2.3: "If simultaneous hits by opponents over the net lead to extended contact with the ball, play continues."
3. Deleted USAV rule 9.1.2.3 "USAV is testing this rule. A Joust occurs when players of opposing teams cause the ball to come to rest above the net through simultaneous contact. A joust is not a fault, and play continues as if the contact were instantaneous."

USAV Rule 19.1.

1. Edited USAV Rule 19.1.2 to read: “The Libero may be designated for the set and must be indicated on the line-up sheet for each set.”

USAV Rule 19.2a

1. Added USAV rule 19.2a “It is recommended now and required November 1, 2009 that the Libero uniform must be a contrasting color and not include any color from the regular team jersey (excluding the color of the numbers). Color combinations such as purple/black, dark green/black, navy/black, or navy/maroon are not distinctive enough to comply with the rules.”
2. Renumbered the old USAV rule 19.2 to become 19.2b.

USAV Rule 19.3.3.1

1. Added USAV 19.3.3.1: “The player thus re-designated as Libero must remain as the Libero for the remainder of the set.”

USAV Rule 23.3.3

1. Deleted USAV 23.3.3: “At the end of the match, he/she is not required to sign the scoresheet, but is still required to check the scoresheet for accuracy.” The effect of this is to require the first referee to check and sign the scoresheet.

USAV Rule 25.2.3.3

1. Deleted USAV Rule 25.2.3.3: “The team captains and the referees are not required to sign the scoresheet. However, the referees are still required to check the scoresheet for accuracy.”
2. Replaced with USAV 25.2.3.3: “The team captains and the second referee are not required to sign the scoresheet.”

Editorial Clarifications:

1. Added USAV 4.3.3.1.b – “Color combinations such as purple/black, dark green/black, navy/black, or navy/maroon are not distinctive enough to comply with the rules.”
2. Corrected USAV 4.3.3.2 – change 1 cm to 10 cm (4”).
3. USAV 15.6 - moved item a. “The sanction for a wrong position entry request is an improper request.” to the end (f.) and re-ordered.
4. Added USAV 19.1.2 add “...and must be recorded on the line up sheet for each set.”
5. Added USAV 27.2.1 to read: “When flags are not used, the line judges will perform their functions as shown in Diagram 11, Officials Hand Signals 3, 4, 5 and 9.”
6. Corrected hand signals to remove the flag signals from the Officials Hand Signals. Renumbered the hand signals as Diagram 11. Added Diagram 12 which will include the Lines Judge Signals (with flags).

2007-2008 DOMESTIC COMPETITION REGULATIONS SIGNIFICANT BEACH RULE CHANGES AND CLARIFICATIONS

Beach Rule 8.1

1. Deleted: "Before the warm-up, the first referee carries out a coin toss in the presence of the two team captains. The winner of the coin toss chooses:..."
2. Replaced with: "Before the official warm up, the first referee conducts the coin toss in the presence of the team captains, where appropriate. The winner of the coin toss chooses:..."

Beach Rule 15.3.1

1. Deleted Beach Rule 15.3.1 "It is forbidden to touch any part of the net or the antennae (exception: Rule 15.3.4)."
2. Replaced with: Beach Rule 15.3.1: "Contact with the net by a player is not a fault, unless it is made during the action of playing the ball, or it interferes with the play. Incidental contact of the hair is never a fault. Some actions of playing the ball may include actions in which the players do not actually touch the ball."

Beach Rule 15.3.2

1. Deleted Beach Rule 15.3.2: "Once the player has hit the ball, he/she may touch the posts, ropes or any other object outside the total length of the net provided that this action does not interfere with play."
2. Replaced with Beach Rule 15.3.2: "Once the player has hit the ball, he/she may touch the post, rope or any other object outside the total length of the net provided that this action does not interfere with play."

Beach Rule 15.3.3 and 15.3.4

1. Deleted Beach Rule 15.3.3: "When the ball is driven into the net, which causes it to touch an opponent, no fault is committed."
2. Replaced with Beach Rule 15.3.3: "When the ball is driven into the net and causes it to touch an opponent, no fault is committed."
3. Delete Beach Rule 5.3.4: "Incidental contact of hair is not a fault."

Beach Rule 15.4.3:

1. Deleted Beach Rule 15.4.3: "A player touches the net (Rule 15.3.1)."
2. Replaced with: "A player touches the net or the antenna during his/her action of playing the ball or interferes with the play (Rule 15.3.1)."

Beach Rule 25.3.3

1. Added Beach Rule 25.3.3: "At the end of the match, he/she checks the scoresheet and signs it."

Beach Rule 26.3.2

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Editorial Clarifications:

1. Edited Beach Rule 15.3.2 to read: "Once the player has hit the ball, he/she may touch the post, rope or any other object outside the total length of the net provided that this action does not interfere with play."