

Significant playing rules changes 2011-2013

2011-2013 DOMESTIC COMPETITION REGULATIONS

SIGNIFICANT VOLLEYBALL (INDOOR) RULE CHANGES AND CLARIFICATIONS

Add to USAV 4.5.1: “It is forbidden to wear hats or casts (even if padded). Braces, jewelry, prosthetic limbs or other headgear that may cause an injury or give an artificial advantage to the player must not be worn. If a brace, prosthetic limb or headgear is used, padding or covering may be necessary. A junior volleyball athlete participating in a junior event may not wear jewelry. An exception will be made for religious or medical medallions that are removed from chains and taped or sewn under the uniform.”

Add to 5. TEAM LEADERS: “Both the team captain and the coach are responsible for the conduct and discipline of their team members. The Liberos cannot be the team captain or game captain.”

Add USAV 5.1.2.3: “The captain may request a time-out.”

Add to USAV 5.1.3: “For junior competition, both coaches sign the scoresheet after the match to verify the results.”

Add to 7.3.5.3: “However, if the coach wishes to keep such non-recorded player(s) on the court, he/she has to request regular substitution(s), which will then be recorded on the scoresheet. If a discrepancy between player positions and the line-up sheet is discovered later, the team at fault must revert to the correct positions. All points scored by the team from the exact moment of the fault up to the discovery of the fault are cancelled. The opponent’s points remain valid and in addition they receive a point and the next service.”

Add USAV 7.3.5.3: “If the positional fault is discovered before the opponent serves, all points scored subsequent to the fault must be cancelled. In addition, all time-outs taken by the team not at fault, as well as substitutions and team sanctions charged to either team subsequent to the commission of the positional fault, must be cancelled. Individual misconduct sanctions assessed to either team, and time-outs taken by the team at fault, are not cancelled. If the points scored while the player was out of position can not be determined or the opponents have served, then a loss of rally is the only penalty charged. The opponents retain any points scored.”

Add to 15.10.4: “If a team intends to make simultaneously more than one substitution, all players being substituted must report to the substitution zone at the same time to be considered in the same request. In this case, substitutions must be made in succession, one pair of players after another.”

Add to 19.1.3: “One Libero designated by the coach before the start of the match will be the starting Libero. The Libero on court is the Acting Libero. If there is another Libero, he/she will act as the second Libero.”

Add 19.1.4: “Only one Libero may be on court at any time.”

Add 19.1.5: “The Libero cannot be either team captain or game captain at the same time as performing the Libero function.”

Add to 19.3.2.1: “Replacements involving the Libero are not counted as substitutions. They are unlimited, but there must be a completed rally between two replacements involving a Libero (unless a penalty causes a rotation to position 4, or the Acting Libero becomes unable to play, making the rally incomplete.) The Libero can only be replaced by the player whom he/she replaced.”

Add 19.3.2.2: “The Acting Libero can only be replaced by the regular replacement player for that position, or by the second Libero. The regular replacement player may replace either Libero. The coach has the right to replace the Acting Libero with the second Libero for any reason after a completed rally at any time during the match.”

Add 19.4 RE-DESIGNATION OF A NEW LIBERO:

19.4.1 Team with two Liberos:

Add 19.4.1.1: “When a team uses two Liberos but one becomes unable to play (expelled, ill, injured, etc.), the team has the right to play with only one Libero and the second Libero becomes the acting Libero. No re-designation will be allowed, however, unless the Acting Libero is unable to continue.”

Add 19.4.2.1: “Where only one Libero is registered on the scoresheet, in case the Libero is declared unable to play, the coach may re-designate as Libero for the remainder of the match any other player (replacement player excepted) not on the court at the moment of re-designation. The coach (or game captain, if no coach is present), must contact the second referee with the request for ‘re-designation.’”

Add 19.4.2.2: “Should the re-designated Libero be declared unable to play, further re-designations are possible but the original Libero(s) may not return to the match.”

Add 19.4.2.3: “If the coach requests that the team captain be re-designated as the Libero, this will be permitted – but the team captain must in this case relinquish all leadership privileges.”

Add 19.4.2.4: “In the case of a re-designated Libero, the number of the player re-designated as Libero must be recorded on the scoresheet remarks section and on the Libero Control sheet (or electronic scoresheet, if one is used). The re-designated player will be allocated a jacket or bib to show that a new Libero is in play.”

Add 19.5 EXPULSION AND DISQUALIFICATION

“If the Libero is expelled or disqualified he/she may be replaced directly by the team’s other Libero. Should the team have only one Libero, then it must play without a Libero for the duration of the sanction.”

