



## SAND VOLLEYBALL RULES

These rules are a supplement to the National Federation of High School Rules.

*Participants must present a physical copy of their UGA ID card, a picture of their UGA ID card (front and back), or their Digital Student Profile from Athena before every game... NO EXCEPTIONS!*

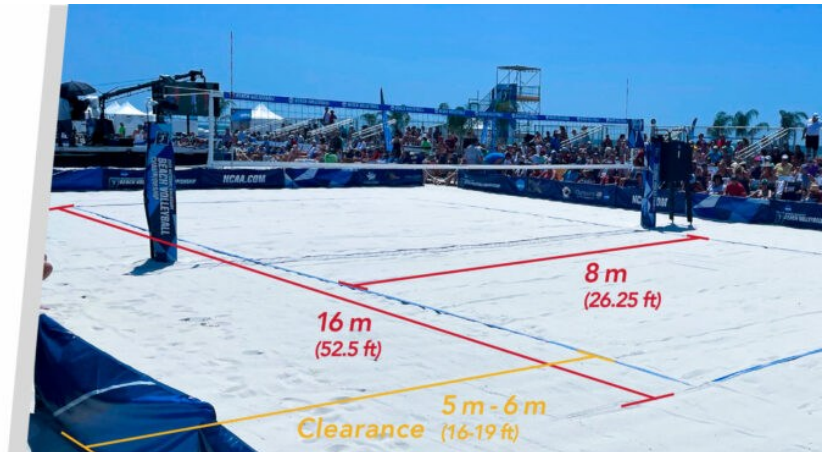
### A. COURT/EQUIPMENT DIMENSIONS

- The court is 26.25 feet x 52.5 feet.
- The Women's net height is 7' 4".
- Men's & Co-Rec net height is 8'.

**NCAA, USA Volleyball, FIVB**  
Regulation Beach Court  
Dimensions - Doubles

**Net Heights**  
Women: 2.24m  
Men: 2.43m

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AT THE CENTER OF EVERY VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIP



### B. PLAYERS

- The match shall be played between two teams of two players each.
- Matches will be played best two-out-of-three games to determine a winner.
- A coin toss will determine court or service.

### C. ROTATION

- Teams do not have to rotate positions; however, serving order must remain constant. Each player must be in the serving order.
- A serve order fault will result in a side out and point for the opponent.

### D. SUBSTITUTION

- Substitutions may only be made on a rotation basis. Following a point won by the receiving team and the subsequent rotation, the front right player may exit the game, and a substitute may enter the game in the right back position.

### E. SERVING

- To serve the ball, the server must stand behind the end line and between the sidelines. The server has five-seconds to serve the ball after the referee has blown the whistle.

- b. Members of each team serve in turn with one server continuing his/her serve until a point is won by the opposing team.
- c. Let services are legal.
- d. Setting the serve is legal.
- e. Attacking the serve is not allowed and will result in a point for the service team.

#### F. PLAY

- a. No more than three hits are allowed to get the ball over the net. Four plays is a violation (except in the case of blocking)
- b. If the ball touches the boundary line, it is considered good.
- c. A player may not enter an adjoining court at any time. A point or side-out will be awarded.
- d. A ball may be recovered from the net anytime during the match.
- e. Teams shall change courts at the end of each game. In the third game, teams will change sides at once a team has reached 8 points.

#### G. SCORING

- a. There will be a time limit of 45-minutes per match.
  - i. **There will be no time limit for the Semifinal and Final matches during tournament play.**
- b. Rally point scoring will be used for all games. This means every time there is a serve, there will be a point to win for either team.
- c. Games will be played to 25 points, with a 27-point cap. A team must win by 2 points unless time expires. If time expires, the team leading will be declared the winner. The third game will be played to 15 points, with a 17-point cap.

#### H. FOULS

- a. It is a foul to step or have any other body part completely over the center line. It is not a foul to step on the line.
- b. Touching the net with any part of the body (excluding hair, shirt, etc) is a foul, except when the ball is driven into the net, causing it to hit an opposing player.
- c. It is an error to catch, lift, push, or throw the ball. The rules distinctly state that the ball must be "rebounded."
- d. The ball may not be touched by the same player twice in succession, however, after a ball has been blocked, the same player may hit the ball again. The block does not count as a touch.

#### I. PLAYER CONDUCT

- a. Unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated.
- b. Officials will administer yellow and red cards for misconduct by players or coaches.
  - i. A yellow card is used as a warning for the first minor offense.
  - ii. A red card is used as a penalty for a second minor offense by the same individual or a single serious offense.
  - iii. If a card is given, side-out is awarded to the opponent.
  - iv. Two yellow cards or one red card will constitute an ejection from the game. Any player ejected from a game will face disciplinary action as outlined in the IM Sports Participant Guide.
- c. Taunting an opponent is considered unsportsmanlike conduct.
- d. Spitting anywhere other than into the proper receptacle is considered unsportsmanlike conduct.

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