

FAIRFIELD SPORTS ASSOCIATION VOLLEYBALL PROGRAM

SINGLE ELIMINATION TOURNAMENT

MATCH RULES AND REGULATIONS

- A. The single elimination tournament for each division will commence upon completion of the regular season matches, on the date(s), and locations to be announced by FSA Volleyball. It will be seeded based on season standings.
- B. Team standings will be based on the overall match win/loss records at the conclusion of the regular season.
- C. All teams will participate in the single elimination tournament at end of the regular season.
- D. All players will be **required to serve overhand** in the single elimination tournament.
- E. Foot faults will be called in the single elimination tournament. There will be no warnings. For a foot fault to be called, any part of the server's foot must touch any part of the service line during the serving motion.

The format for season standings' tiebreakers will be as follows:

1. Team with best match win/loss record.
2. Team with best head-to-head match record.
3. Team with fewest number of head-to-head game losses.
4. Team with fewest total of head-to-head points given up.
5. Team with fewest number of game losses.
6. Team with greatest number of game wins.
7. Coin toss.

Any team with an extra number of regular season matches, due to an odd number of matches/teams in the same division, will not include their final match(es) of the regular season in their win/loss record.

CONDUCT VIOLATIONS

A. GENERAL

1. Suspension from FSA Volleyball activities may be imposed for unsportsmanlike or flagrant misconduct. It is contrary to the FSA Volleyball league's purpose and objectives and, therefore, must be avoided.

Examples of such misconduct include but are not limited to: abusive or offensive language, harassment of players, officials or FSA Officials, intoxication at match or practice sites, fighting, any violent or destructive behavior, or coming onto the playing court without the permission of the match official (except in the case of an injury). The use or being under the influence of drugs, tobacco, or alcohol is strictly prohibited at FSA events.

2. Any coach or player, who conducts himself/herself in an unsportsmanlike manner resulting in expulsion from a match will be suspended from all FSA activities for a period of time determined by FSA Volleyball or until an appeal is made in writing to the FSA Executive Board at the next scheduled board meeting. The minimum suspension time is suspension from the next scheduled match. Participation by the expelled coach or player at any FSA activity during the suspension period will result in the permanent suspension of the coach or player.
3. Any coach, commissioner, committee member, or executive board member failing to fulfill his/her duties, may be removed as described in the Fairfield Sports Association By-Laws. Person(s) subject to removal may not vote.
4. Any coach, commissioner, committee member, or executive board member knowing of a violation is obligated to report it to the FSA Executive Board.

B. MISCONDUCT

1. The official will banish any coach, player, or player supporter from the court or stands if, in the official's judgment, that person is guilty of flagrant misconduct as described in **Rule A-1**.
2. **FAILURE** of a banished adult individual **TO IMMEDIATELY LEAVE** the court or stands **CAN RESULT IN** the official declaring a **FORFEITURE** of the match on the team whose coach, player, or player supporter is guilty of the misconduct. The official will decide if the remainder of the match will be played. If both teams are guilty of flagrant misconduct, the official shall end the match and declare a double forfeiture resulting in a loss for each team.
3. Forfeitures will be called only as a last resort.
4. Further disciplinary action may also be taken as outlined in **Rule A-2**. FSA Volleyball will review all actions of this type. Actions are subject to review by the FSA Executive Board.