

## WINTERFEST VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT RULE SHEET - 2012

**Weather Information Hotline Number** – 701-298-6915 (ext. 4)

USAV Rules apply, except where special Fargo Park District rules apply.

Pool Play: All Pool Play matches will consist of 2 games to 20 point rally games with a cap of 22

Top two teams from each pool advance to the tournament. (Unless otherwise noted)

Tie breaker for Pool Play is as follows-

- 1st = Head to Head Games
- 2nd = Head to Head Points
- 3rd = Overall Points
- 4th = Flip of the Coin

Tournament Play: All Tournament matches will be 2 out of 3 games up to 25 with a 27 point cap. 3rd game, if necessary, will be up to 15 with a 17 pt cap. (no exceptions)

WARM-UP: There is a maximum of 5 minutes of warm-up time allowed before each match. However, please be ready to play at least 15 minutes before scheduled starting time. A match will begin early if that court becomes available. **Warm-up balls are not provided. Teams must bring their own warm-up balls.**

Teams will be given a 1 minute break in between games that are part of the same match, unless both teams are ready to play.

FORFEITS: Match time is forfeit time, unless tournament is running ahead of schedule. Check with referee to find out if matches are ahead of schedule. Your team can forfeit if matches are ahead of schedule!

PLAYERS ON THE COURT: A team can play with less than six players and must have more than one player. Coed teams must have at least one male and one female on the playing court at all times. Also, coed teams cannot play with more men than women on the court. Every team must have a back row player. No libero will be used during Winterfest play.

SPECIAL RULES: Only the captain of the team will be allowed to question the rulings of the referee. Only non-judgement calls can be discussed. Unsportsmanlike conduct including yelling at the opposite team, swearing, arguing, fighting and talking back to the referee will not be allowed. The referee has the authority to eject a player from a match. Any unsportsmanlike conduct by a player or a team may result in suspension from the entire tournament. Any act of aggression towards an official or opposing team will result in immediate suspension. If an expelled player or fan does not leave the playing area within two minutes, that game will be forfeited. Two calls of unsportsmanlike conduct will result in the team being ejected from the tournament.

Any hard plastic or metal cast on the upper body is not allowed while playing volleyball. We will not allow any jewelry while playing, such as watches, protruding rings, earrings or loose necklaces, etc.

### **Special FPD Rules:**

#### **COED LEAGUE**

**\*When a player takes the play away from another teammate who is attempting to play the ball, it will be a judgement call of unsportsmanlike conduct and penalized with a sideout or point.**

**\*There is no rule regarding the number of times a female or male has to hit the ball, or where they have to line up (male-female-male-female). 2 males may play next to each other as long they follow the rules pertaining to "Players on the court".**

**\*Back row blockers are not allowed**

## **ANY LEAGUE**

**\*Contact below the waist is legal under USAV Rules.** However kicking the ball at an opponent is unsportsmanlike behavior and could be grounds for a removal of that player.

Pressing the block is allowed.

In order to be eligible, a player must play in at least one pool play match in addition to being on the roster. Individuals are allowed only on one roster per day. Ejection from the tournament shall be the penalty for violation of this rule.

**Serving: All levels (men's, women's and coed) - THE SERVE CANNOT BE BLOCKED OR ATTACKED (Definition: A player completes an attack on the opponents serve when the ball is entirely above the top of the net.)**

Substitutions: Teams may choose from two forms of substitution;

1) Rotation of players. 2) Substitute player for player. **In Coed a Male must sub for Male and Female must sub for female!**

**Adjacent Courts:** All adjacent courts are out of play **before, during and after the play.**

**Net Play! All net and center line violations will be called. If you are in the net it should be called either by an official or as an honor call!!!**

**ABSOLUTELY NO SMOKING, OR POSSESSION OF ALCOHOL OR ILLEGAL DRUGS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY.**

It is our privilege to use the school gyms and other facilities. Lets not blow it! ANY PERSON SEEN SMOKING, IN POSSESSION OF ALCOHOL OR ILLEGAL DRUGS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY WILL BE SUBJECT TO FEDERAL LAWS PROHIBITING THESE ACTIVITIES. Treat the gyms and all of the schools better than you would your own home. Please help keep the facilities clean.

If you bring children into the gyms you are responsible for their safety and supervision. This does not mean that a child is being properly supervised while you are playing. Please have a non-playing adult supervise any children.

Thank you for your cooperation.