

# 2009 VOLLEYBALL NEWSLETTER

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# 5 – September 28, 2009

## **HS VARSITY = 25 POINT SETS**

All High School Varsity sets will be played to 25 points! The only exception is a 3 out of 5 set match (5<sup>th</sup> set to 15 points). This is an NFHS rule and will be followed by all schools. Officials, it is not the choice of the coach regarding the point value of a third set. 25 points – that's it!



## **ABSENT OFFICIALS**

**REFEREE:** If only one referee is present at a HS varsity match, please understand the following per NFHS/KSHSAA rules: If you play the match, it will count on the your 36 point scheduling system but it will not count as a win or loss for post-season seeding.

**LINE JUDGE:** Line judges are required for varsity volleyball matches. One or no line judges = underlined text above.

**LIBERO TRACKER:** At all levels of play, no libero tracker = no libero player in the match for either team.

**NOTE:** The KSHSAA strongly recommends that all matches at all levels have 2 referees and 2 line judges.

## **EXCEPTIONAL SUBSTITUTIONS**

**Rule 10-3-6:** When a team has no legal substitutes available, an exceptional substitution is permitted only for an ill-injured player in the following priority: 1. By a player who has never played in the set or a player who has played in that position earlier in the set; 2. By a legal player on the bench, regardless of previous position played. An injured/ill player replaced by an exceptional sub may not re-enter a set in which the exceptional sub takes place. **NOTE:** An exceptional substitution is counted as a team substitution if the team has not exhausted its 18 team substitutions.

## **SUBSTITUTIONS- NOT SO FAST!**

There were 2 changes in the substitution process this year: 1. R2 shall administer substitutions from a position near the score table (not at the attack line); 2. Multiple substitutions shall be done in succession. The primary reason for the changes: To expedite the substitution process. HOWEVER – going too fast or not enforcing the proper procedure can lead to challenges and slow down the process. Coaches & officials must school the players on where substitutions are to take place and that they are not to exchange until the official releases them. Veteran players need to be reminded that just because the R2 is not at the attack line, nothing has changed with the normal procedure. Officials, communicate clearly with the score keeper and confirm they have the substitutions recorded.

## **PLAYERS SHAG BALLS**

Officials, please remind players that it is their responsibility to assist in shagging balls at the end of warm-ups and when the play is over. Officials and players working together will lighten the load for all.



## **LIBERO UNIFORM**

If a team has more than 1 libero, each player should have their own uniform. With concerns regarding stapf infection and personal hygiene, players should not share the same uniform top. If a libero player needs to change from her team top to the libero top, please make sure this is happening in a locker room or restroom.

Rule 4-2-1e: it is unsporting conduct for a player to change their uniform in the playing area (which includes the entire spectator area). In addition, the libero uniform shall have a legal number.

## **TEAM “NO SHOW” @ EVENT**

Q: What happens when a team does not show up/participate in an event? Is it a forfeit? Do the other teams get a win and the absent team a loss?

A: Lack of participation by the absent team is not a forfeit and therefore cannot be a win on the part of other schools. A match that did not occur cannot be counted as wins or losses.

## **OFFICIALS NOT RESPONSIBLE TO INTERPRET KSHSAA SCHEDULING RULE**

KSHSAA registered officials are not responsible for and are not to offer interpretation for the 36 point scheduling policy for HS squads. Coaches with questions should visit with their school administrator or contact the KSHSAA.

## **VOLLEYBALL RULE BOOKS AVAILABLE**

With the on-line rules meeting this year, the KSHSAA sold 76 fewer rules books to school coaches. Schools may still purchase a rule book from the KSHSAA for \$6.50 (included shipping) or \$5.00 at the KSHSAA office.

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## **OFFICIALS WORKING POST-SEASON TOURNAMENTS**

Officials interested in working as a line judge, score keeper or libero tracker at a regional, sub-state or state tournament are encouraged to contact the tournament managers. Contact information for regional and sub-state tournament managers can be found on the officials website. Contact information for the state managers is located in page 25 of the KSHSAA Volleyball Manual.

## **DON'T FORGET OCTOBER 1 AND 5 DEADLINES**

October 1 = Officials post-season application due. Available on-line & may be sent electronically or mailed.

October 5 = School recommendations for post-season officials due (Form VB-2). Available/sent on-line.

## **CLASSIFICATIONS ANNOUNCED SEPTEMBER 28**

The KSHSAA will release the classifications for the 2009-2010 school year on Monday, September 28 by noon.

## **POST-SEASON VOLLEYBALL ASSIGNMENTS ANNOUNCED**

School assignments for regional and sub-state volleyball tournaments will be released from the KSHSAA this week. The KSHSAA has invited schools to host these tournaments. Assignments will be posted on the KSHSAA website no later than October 1 or earlier if all tournament sites in all classifications have been identified.

**As we enter the half-way point of the volleyball season,  
all teams should be well aware of the rule changes and procedures.  
Officials must enforce NFHS playing rules and  
be consistent in their enforcement.**