

2009 VOLLEYBALL NEWSLETTER

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POST-SEASON OFFICIAL ASSIGNMENTS

► **Friday, 10/09/09:** Assignments for post-season regional tournaments were mailed from the KSHSAA to 48 officials. Class 1A Regional Tournaments will be held on Tuesday, October 20. All tournaments will be conducted on one court (16 tournaments @ 3 officials each).

► **Monday, 10/12/09:** Assignments for 48 sub-state tournaments will be mailed to 133 officials. The Sub-state tournaments will be conducted on Saturday, October 24.

► **Thursday, October 15:** 36 officials will be mailed an assignment to work at one of 6 state tournaments (6 officials per classification). The 2009 state volleyball tournaments will be conducted on Friday, October 30 and Saturday, October 31. 2009 = odd # classes (1A, 3A, 5A) play first on Friday & Saturday followed by 2A, 4A, 6A.

PLEASE COMPLETE & RETURN THE RESPONSE FORM ASAP!

POST-SEASON PREP FOR COACHES & OFFICIALS

As coaches and officials prepare for post-season tournaments, please review the following:

- **Required Team Warm-up** – Volleyball Manual, page 16 (20 minute and 10 minute)
- **Roster Limitation** – Volleyball Manual, page 19 (schools may suit up/roster 12-no more)
- **Court Protocol** – (Rule 5-3-4) Coaches review with players, officials set expectations/enforce

TOURNAMENT SEEDING / BRACKETS POSTED ON-LINE



- **Regional Tournaments** – Wednesday, October 14
- **Sub-State Tournaments** – Wednesday, October 21
- **State Tournaments** – Sunday, October 25

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OFFICIALS- GET READY FOR POST-SEASON

Review your responsibilities - As we enter post-season tournament time, officials are encouraged to review specific responsibilities (Rule 5) per position (R1, R2). This is extremely important since officials will be working with individuals they have not worked with before. In addition:

- Please study the material that accompanies your post-season invitation.
- Review the Weekly KSHSAA Newsletters
- Your arrival 1 hour in advance of the regional & sub-state tournament 1st match time is extremely important for obvious reasons.

Uniform and equipment – Officials are expected to be attired per NFHS Rule 5-2. In addition to black (not gray) slack, black shoes and socks and a white KSHSAA volleyball official shirt; officials equipment should include, but is not limited to the following: whistle, set of red & yellow cards, line-up card & pencil, & coin.



REVIEW - CONTACT OF THE BALL NEAR THE NET

Please be reminded on the following rules:

- A player shall not contact a ball which is completely on the opponent's side of the net unless the contact is a legal block **(9-6-3)**.
- Blocking a ball which is completely on the opponent's side of the net is permitted when the opposing team has had an opportunity to complete its attack **(9-6-4)**. The attack is completed when: a. attacking team has completed 3 allowed hits; b. attacking team has had opportunity to complete attack, or in R judgment, directs the ball toward opponents court; c. ball is falling near the net & in R judgment, no legal member of attacking team could make a play on the ball.
- A ball may be attacked (excluding a served ball) when it is partially crossed the net **(9-6-6)**.

THE STANDING COACH

- ◆ May stand no closer to the sideline than 6 feet (coaches must follow directions of R should physical layout not permit 6 feet).
- ◆ At no time can a standing head coach be allowed to block the line of sight of a R2 and line judge.
- ◆ Standing does not give the head coach the right to make comments/help officiate the contest.
- ◆ When a live ball hits a standing head coach within 6 feet of the court, the ball is dead.

PRE-MATCH CHECK ALWAYS IMPORTANT

The referees always have the responsibility to inspect the ball, court and playing equipment prior to pre-match conference with coaches and captains. If referees discover a problem, they should not be the ones to physically correct the problem. If the game ball needs air, have the host school fill it and re-inspect the pressure. If the standards are not anchored, the net too low or the standards not properly padded, have the host school correct and verify they are correct – or do not play the match. If an area of the court has spilled liquid or loose confetti, allow the host school to fix the problem.

INTERACT WITH LINE JUDGES

Keeping your line judges involved by interacting with them will help keep them focused on the play. As the R1 you have the duty to instruct them in your pre-match, but then follow up with a smile, a thumbs up and constant eye contact during stoppages in the playing action.

POST-SEASON ASSISTANT OFFICIALS

Don't forget: Registered officials not receiving a post-season assignment are encouraged to contact the manager of your area regional or sub-state tournament or a state tournament manager about serving as a line judge, libero tracker, clock operator or score keeper. Experience & knowledge in the position is important.

