

UniSA Sport VOLLEYBALL Rules

PLEASE NOTE: The following are basic rules and regulations specific to the UniSA Sport Volleyball competitions.

Official rules can be found at <http://www.avf.org.au/index.php?id=70>

1. Team/squad size

- Minimum registered players – 6
- Maximum registered players – 12
- The minimum number of players that can take the court without receiving a forfeit is 4.

2. Substitutions

2.1. Teams may make unlimited substitutions during each match.

3. Game time/duration

3.1. Teams have 60 minutes to complete their matches. When time expires, play is to continue until the ball becomes 'dead'.

3.2. Teams play best of 3 sets.

- Each set shall be played under a point per rally format with the first team to 25 with an advantage of 2 points (no limit), winning each set.
- The third set shall be played under a point per rally format with the first team to 15 with an advantage of 2 points (no limit), winning each set.
- The first team to win 2 sets is declared the winner. Should time expire before any team wins 2 sets, the score in the current set at cessation of play will stand unless less than 10 points have been played in that set. If 10 points have not been played a draw will be the result.
- NOTE: you do not have to be the serving team for your team to win a point.

4. Point score

4.1. Points for each match shall be awarded as follows;

- Winning team: 3 points
- Draw: 2 points
- Losing team: 1 point
- Forfeited team: 0 points

4.2. In the event that two or more teams have the same number of points at the completion of the preliminary rounds, the higher placed team(s) will be decided when the first of the following criteria in order, favours one team:

- a) The team with the highest points difference (points for - points against) in all pool matches
- b) The team scoring the highest number of points
- c) The team with the best result against the top team in their pool shall be placed above the other team(s). The best result to be determined by applying the following in order until the teams are separated:
 - largest winning margin
 - lowest losing margin
- d) If two or more teams are still equal their ranking shall be determined as follows:
 - greatest number of points obtained in all pool matches between the teams concerned
 - point difference resulting from all pool matches between the teams concerned
 - greatest number of points scored in all pool matches between the teams concerned

5. Suspensions and Ejections

5.1. Incidents of a dangerous or unsportsmanlike nature that are reported by the umpire or an opposing team will be taken seriously.

5.2. All information regarding the incident will be taken into account and a decision on an appropriate resulting action will be made by the Sports Program Officer in consultation with senior members of staff.

5.3. Actions may include being removed from the game or venue when the incident occurs, an official warning or a suspension of at least 1 game.

6. Forfeits

6.1. A forfeit will be declared 10 minutes after the scheduled start of play where either team is unable to commence play.

6.2. Should the commencement of a game be delayed due to no fault of either team (as determined by the sports officials), the game shall be played in its full duration if possible. If full game duration is not possible, the recommended revised game duration will need to be agreed upon by both teams.

6.3. If a team forfeits their match, the opposing team will be awarded a win 3 – 0 and their game fee will be held over to the following week.

7. Uniform requirements

7.1. Each player shall wear a specific colour to distinguish them from other teams. Bibs will be provided if necessary to distinguish each team.

7.2. The specific uniform requirements for Volleyball are as follows:

- Shorts, shirts and non-marking soled shoes.
- Knee pads are strongly recommended

7.3. Minimum uniform requirements:

- A competitor must not use equipment or wear anything that is dangerous to him/herself or another competitor (including any kind of jewellery)
- Long or sharp fingernails are to be trimmed short

8. Team duties

8.1. Team duty requirements for Volleyball are:

- One person from each team competing in the current match will be required to score and complete a scorecard at the end of the match and hand in to the customer service staff member.

8.2. The person fulfilling the team duty requirements can be any competent person associated with that team and does not necessarily have to be a player e.g. team manager.

8.3. Teams that do not fulfill team duties will have 3 points scored against them after the first set is completed.

8.4 All players on the team must be registered as a UniSA Sport member prior to taking the field. In a case where this is not fulfilled the opposition will gain an extra point towards their score and the unregistered player will be suspended until registration has occurred.

8.5 All players must pay for their team each week prior to taking the field for their first match. Game cannot start until all players have paid

9. Presentation

9.1. A presentation will be held at the completion of the competition.

9.2. Awards will be presented to the teams finishing 1st and 2nd in the competition.