



Smithfield RECREATION

2021 Adult Volleyball Rules & Regulations

General Rules

*FIVB rules will govern play with the following exceptions;
please refer to the current FIVB rules book for specific questions.*

https://www.fivb.org/EN/Refereeing-Rules/documents/FIVB-Volleyball_Rules_2017-2020-EN-v06.pdf

- All players must self-screen for any Covid-19 symptoms prior to coming to the recreation center. Those that are symptomatic cannot participate and must not attend games.
 - All participants should sanitize their hands often.
 - Spectators are encouraged to wear face coverings when physical distancing guidelines are difficult to maintain.
 - Players are encouraged to wear face coverings whenever possible.
 - Team captains are responsible to track team attendance at every game to assist with contact tracing.
 - Volleyballs and other high touch surfaces will be sanitized often.
 - Teams will not shake hands prior to or at the end of each match. Teams will also not trade sides and will remain on the same side of the court throughout the match.
1. **Timeouts:** Two timeouts per match, per team. Each timeout will be 30 seconds long.
 2. **Matches:** The first 6 weeks will be considered season play with each team playing 2 matches per week. Best 2 out of 3 to 25 using rally scoring with a cap of 27. A team must win by at least 2 points unless the cap is reached. The 3rd game will not be played if one team wins the first 2 games. A 3rd game will be played if the first 2 games are split. The 3rd game (if needed) will be played to 11 with a cap of 13. Standings will be kept based on matches not individual games. The team with the best record will be seeded 1st, the 2nd place team seeded 2nd and so on for tournament play.
 3. **Serving:** Let serves are allowed in rally scoring (the ball may hit the net on a serve).
 4. Smithfield City Recreation will provide a game ball, scorekeeper and a referee for each of the matches.
 5. All judgment calls by the referee will stand!
 6. Each team must have a minimum of 4 players to start any game. Teams are allowed 5 minutes after the scheduled start time to field at least 4 players. Otherwise, they forfeit the match. Players must be at least high school age to participate in the league.
 7. In order for a player to be eligible to play on your tournament team, they must have played on your team at least **one full regular season night, or a minimum of 4 individual games.**
 8. A player is only eligible to play on one team.