

Festival Volleyball Guidelines

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Middle school games will be controlled by National Federation rules with the following exceptions:

1. All players will rotate throughout the games. Players should all have equal playing time. No Libero.
2. There will be 2 - 25 minute games with a 5 minute half time to switch sides No official score will be kept.
3. The net will be seven (7'4") feet four inches high, measured in the center.
4. All schools will use regulation volleyballs. These may either be of synthetic material or of leather. The home team may specify the type of ball to be used during the match but must be prepared to provide all game balls should the visiting team not have the home-specified type available to use during the match.
5. No player may score more than 5 points via serve. After the 5th point, it will be a side out for the other team.

Areas of Focus for Festival:

- a. Watch for foot faults. Servers need to keep feet behind the serving line, unless of course, the court doesn't give the server enough space.
- b. If the ball touches the antenna it is out. If the ball crosses the imaginary line above the antenna the ball is out.
- c. When the ball is in play, if the ball hits the ceiling and then lands back down on the same side of the court then the ball is still in play. If the ball hits the ceiling and lands on the opponents side of the court then the ball is out.
- d. The ball may hit the net on a serve and still be playable if it makes it over the net.
- e. Player may not touch any part of the net during play.
- f. Player's foot can touch the center line, but is not allowed to completely cross over the line.