

Volleyball is a team sport in which 2 teams of 6 players are separated by a net. The objective of the game is to send the ball over the net in order to ground it on the opponent's court, and to prevent the same effort by the opponent. The team has 3 hits for returning the ball (in addition to block).

The Rally Point System is used for scoring. When the receiving team wins a rally, it gains a point and the right to serve.

### **RULES**

- The game will be played according to the standard rules laid down by FIVB (FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE DE VOLLEYBALL).
- All league matches will be of 3 sets each while the final will be of 5 sets. Each set will be of 25 points.
- If a deciding set is to be played, a new toss will take place between the captains. In this set, once the leading team reaches 8 points, the teams change courts without delay, in the same positions.
- The captain of a team is required to submit the team line up sheet. Once the sheet has been submitted no changes can be made without a regular substitution.
- Total number of players 12 including the Libero.
- All the players are required to wear same coloured jerseys with printed numbers for the matches, barring the Libero.
- For serving, 8 seconds are provided. If the server fails to serve in this time, a point is awarded to the opposing team.
- The ball should cross the net only between the antenna, otherwise it's a fault.
- Each team can request a maximum of 2 time-outs and 6 substitutions per set.
- Time-out requests must be made by showing the corresponding hand signal, when the ball is out of play and before the whistle for service.
- All requested time-outs last for 30 seconds.
- If two or more faults are committed successively only the first one is considered.
- If faults are committed by both the teams simultaneously then the point becomes void i.e., it is a common point.

- Use of abusive or foul language during the play can lead to technical foul or expulsion depending on the referee or the organizing committee.

### **ROTATION**

- Rotation is compulsory for boys.
- Rotation faults will be penalized.
- The players rotate clockwise when they win a point. Follow according to the basic rotation rules.

### **BASIC VIOLATIONS**

- Stepping on or over the line on a serve.
- Failure to serve the ball over the net successfully.
- Hitting the ball illegally (Carrying, Palming, Throwing, etc. ).
- Touch of the net with any part of the body while the ball is in play. If the ball is driven into the net with such force that it causes the net to contact an opposing player, no foul will be called, and the ball shall continue to be in play.
- Touching (interference) the ball or an opponent in the opponent's space before or during the opponent's hit.
- Reaching over the net, except under these conditions:
  1. When executing a follow-through.
  2. When blocking a ball which is in the opponents' court but is being returned (the blocker must not contact the ball until after the opponent who is attempting to return the ball makes contact). Except to block the third play.
- Reaches under the net (if it interferes with the ball or opposing player).
- Failure to serve in the correct order, according to the rotation.
- A back-row player completes an attack hit from the front zone.
- A Libero completes an attack hit if at the moment of the hit, the ball is entirely higher than the top of the net.

### **SERVICE FAULTS**

- The following faults lead to a change of service even if the opponent is out of position:
  1. Violates the service order;
  2. Doesn't execute service properly;
  3. Server crosses the service line before the ball crosses over to the opponent's court.

### **CONDUCT**

- Participants must know the "Official Volleyball Rules" and abide by them.
- Participants must accept referees' decisions with sportsmanlike conduct, without disputes.
- In case of doubt, clarification may be requested only through the captain.
- Participants must refrain from actions or attitudes aimed at influencing the decisions of the referees or covering up faults committed by their team.

### **FAIR PLAY**

- Participants must behave respectfully and courteously in the spirit of fair play, not only towards the referees, but also towards other officials, opponents, team-mates and spectators.
- If found guilty of actions which are un-sportsmanlike then action will be taken according to the gravity of the situation.
- The decision of the referee is final and the judgement of the linesmen will be taken into consideration.
- **All the above rules are subjected to change under certain unavoidable circumstances. This may be carried out by the organizing committee.**
- **The decision of the referee is final and binding.**
- **\*\*RULES & SCHEDULE ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE IN THE SPIRIT OF THE GAME & FESTIVAL AND THE FINAL DECISION RESTS WITH THE RANBHOO MI ORGANIZING TEAM.**