

BASIC INFORMATION FOR NEW VOLLEYBALL REFERREES

Learn everything the line judges are to do. MANY times you will have parents/students that have never done this before.

- a) Explain that the boundary line is part of the Volleyball court.
- b) Watch their boundary lines. (any part of the ball touches any part of the boundary line --- the ball is 'in') Explain the hand/flag signals. (not all gyms have flags)
- c) Servers foot touches the end line with any part of foot = foot fault. Explain the hand/flag signals.
- d) Look for touches (explain if necessary). Explain the hand/flag signals.
- e) Ball must cross the net between the antennas; any part of ball touches the antenna the ball is out of bounds. Explain the hand/flag signals.
- f) During time outs the line judge on the side that has the serve is to hold the volleyball.
- g) Remind them (if they are parents or other players) they are NOT to talk to people in the stands – they are NOT to cheer for anyone. They are part of your officiating team.
- h) They do NOT shag balls.

It is not a bad idea to learn the basics of keeping the Book. It may come in handy.

TAKE TO EVERY GAME!!!!

- _____ whistle
- _____ serve rotation/score cards
- _____ pencil x 2
- _____ coin
- _____ watch (new for 2016, if a malfunction of clock you can keep timeouts and between game times)
- _____ yellow/red cards
- _____ net setter (height of girls net – 7' 4 1/8 " at center)
- _____ ball pump/gage

When you arrive at the Gym... 30 minutes early.

1. Introduce yourself to the Game Manager.
2. Become familiar with the gym
 - a) Color of VB lines
 - b) Obstacles i.e. low ceiling, backboards
 - c) Check game ball, should be 0.30 – 0.32 p.s.i.
If no gage – hold ball chest level, "drop" it. It should bounce approx. waist high.
 - d) Check net height 7' 4- 1/8" at center.
 - e) Check antenna's – even with outside of side lines.

(When your partner shows up, (You always arrive 1st!) let him/her know what you have done, and discuss 2. b.)

3. Introduce yourself to the 'Book' and 'Clock' worker.
4. Approx 14 – 12 minutes before the game start the 4 – 4 – 2.
4-4-2 = visiting team works at net for 4 minutes
home team works at net for 4 minutes
both teams serve for 2 minutes
Ask the clock to place 4 minutes/ 4minutes/ 2 minutes on the clock.
Inform each coach that the 4-4-2 will begin.
5. During the 4-4-2, referee #1 should begin the pre-game with the team captains. Do this by holding the coin in the air and give two quick blasts from your whistle, do this while making a 'C' with your hands.

PRE-GAME (with captains)
Introduce yourself/co-worker
Have Captains introduce themselves
Coin toss (see below)

Always Review the following:

What line is the VB court; say the color.
Describe what area's are out of play.
(ie: backboards, walls, typically the basketball court perimeter is out of play ect.)
No metal – jewelry, hair clips ect.
Medical alert – must be taped down!
Any questions?
Have captains shake hands!

Coin toss

Visitor calls Heads/Tails before the first game. If there is a third/fifth game the Home team calls.

Tell the Visitor captain to “say Heads or Tails out loud” and tell the Home captain to “please repeat what she (the other captain) says”.

- a) The team who wins the coin toss gets to choose between serve or side of court.
If the winner chooses serve, the looser chooses which side of the net they want to start on.
- b) If winning team chooses side, the looser gets to choose serve or receive.

6. Each team SHOULD have their line-ups at the scorer's table **before** 1 minute before game starts. (this was added in 2016) The line-up will stay at the scorer's table until each game is over.

7. One of the referee's should make sure that both of the line judges understand their duties. (See pg. 1)