



# 2020-21 NFHS VOLLEYBALL RULES POWERPOINT

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Rules Changes

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# PROTECTIVE FACE MASK

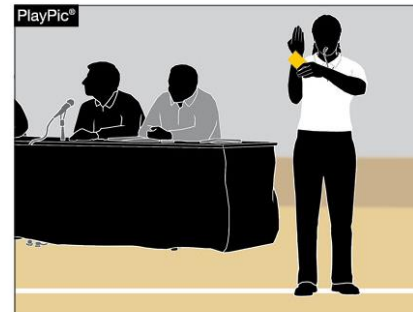
## 4-1-4 (NEW)



- Players may protect facial injuries by wearing a protective face mask.
- The mask must be made of a hard material free of protrusions and molded to the face.

# ROSTER SUBMISSIONS

7-1-1; 7-1-1 PENALTIES; 7-1-1 PENALTIES 2 (NEW); 9-9-1a (NEW); 10-3-7b



- The penalty is no longer a loss of rally/point.
- It is now an unnecessary delay (administrative yellow card) assessed at the start of the set.

- When a team roster is not ready for submission during the prematch conference, but is provided before 10 minutes remain on the clock...

# CORRECTING A SUBMITTED LINEUP

## 7-1-4a(1) & 7-1-4a(2) NEW

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**TEAM B**

LIBERO **1**

Serving Order	Player #
I	20
II	6
III	5
IV	7C
V	9
VI	10

**SERVING TEAM**

7C	5	6
9	10	20

**SERVING TEAM**

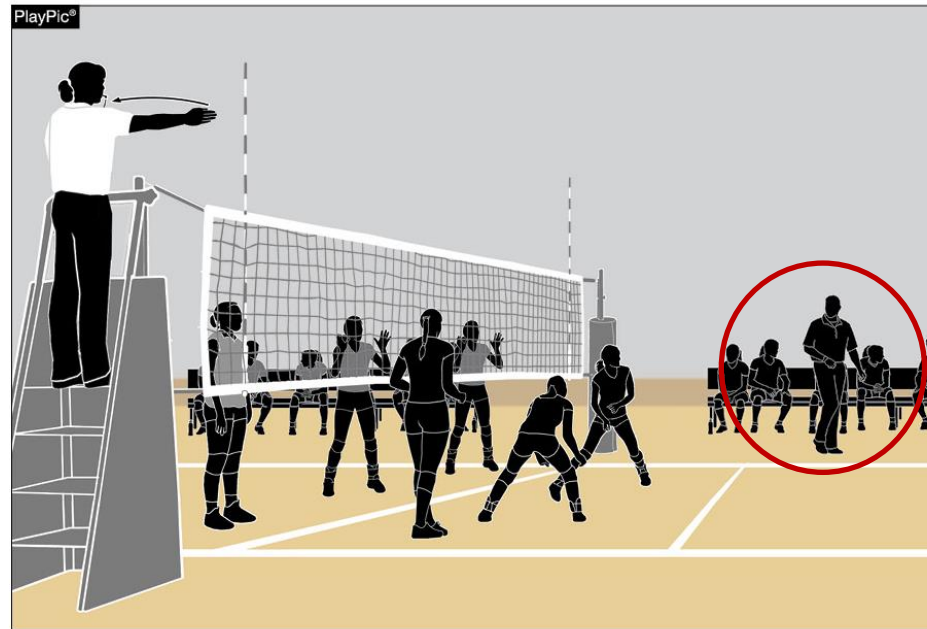


- If a clerical error is made on the lineup by listing a libero number that no team member is wearing, the error shall be corrected without penalty.



# UNSPORTING YELLOW CARD PENALTY

12-2-6



- When a yellow card is issued for unsporting conduct to the head coach, assistant coach(es) or team bench the head coach will no longer be required to remain seated.
- If a red unsporting conduct card is issued to the head coach, assistant coach(es) or team bench, the head coach will be required to remain seated for the duration of the match.

# NEW SUBSTITUTION SIGNAL FOR REFEREE

## SIGNAL #15



- When a team requests a substitution, the official will administer two short whistles.
- The official will rotate his/her forearms around each other with closed hands at shoulder height two times to signal the substitution.

# RULES REMINDER: LEGAL UNIFORM

4-2-4c

Illegal (2023)



Legal



Legal



Beginning with the 2023 season, the body of the uniform number must clearly contrast from the body of the uniform regardless of trim.





Editorial Changes

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# UNIFORMS

## 4-2-1e

- Language referencing the size restrictions of mascots and/or school names placed on the uniform sleeve as part of the uniform requirements was removed.
- School references are permitted on the sleeve(s) of the uniform top **without size restrictions.**



Compliant



# EXCEPTIONAL SUBSTITUTION

## 10-3-6b, 10-3-6c, 10-3-6 NOTE (NEW)

- Reorganizes and clarifies the order of priority for an exceptional substitution for an injured/ill player aligning the language with Rule 10-4-3b.

### Order of Priority:

1. By a teammate who has never played in the set or a player who has played in that position earlier in the set;
2. By any legal teammate on the bench (excluding the libero or libero replacement), regardless of previous position played;
3. By a libero if no other possible substitute exists.
  - When no longer playing as a libero, that player must wear the same uniform as his/her teammates.
  - The team will continue to play with no libero.





## EDITORIAL CHANGES

- **5-4-3c(22)** – Whistle and signal “end-of-set,” whistle and direct...
- **5-4-4b, c** – *Deleted repetitive information and combined items b. and c.*
  - New b. Following non deciding sets, after the first referee has confirmed the score of the set, he/she whistles and signals the teams to change courts. The team members proceed immediately to their new team benches. The players proceed counter clockwise along the sideline outside the standards, then directly to their new team benches. The timer begins timing the three-minute interval between sets with the first referee’s second whistle directing teams to their team benches.
  - *Re-letter remaining articles*





## EDITORIAL CHANGES

- **5-5-3b(20)** – ...(five minutes when intermission is used)
- **7-1-2** – *New formatting to align with 7-1-1 Roster:*
  - **ART. 2 . . .** Lineup:
    - a. No later than...
    - b. Thereafter, the written lineup...
- **9-7 PENALTIES 3** – For a multiple fault, only one penalty is assessed (loss of rally/point ~~or a charged time-out~~).
- **9-9-1m** – A libero or libero replacement...



## EDITORIAL CHANGES

- **12-2 Procedure for Unsporting Conduct Violations 1a, 2** (pgs. 50-51) –
  - 1a. Whistle and hold the card(s) in the hand(s)...
  - 2. ...It is the responsibility of the first referee to immediately...whistle and administer any card(s)...
- **Card Procedures for Unsporting Conduct Violations** (pg. 68) –
  - First referee whistles and holds card in hand...
  - First referee whistles and holds a card (head high)...
- **Unnecessary Delay Chart (NEW)** (pg. 69) – *New Chart illustrating the delay penalty progression.*



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## BENCH BEHAVIOR/SPORTSMANSHIP

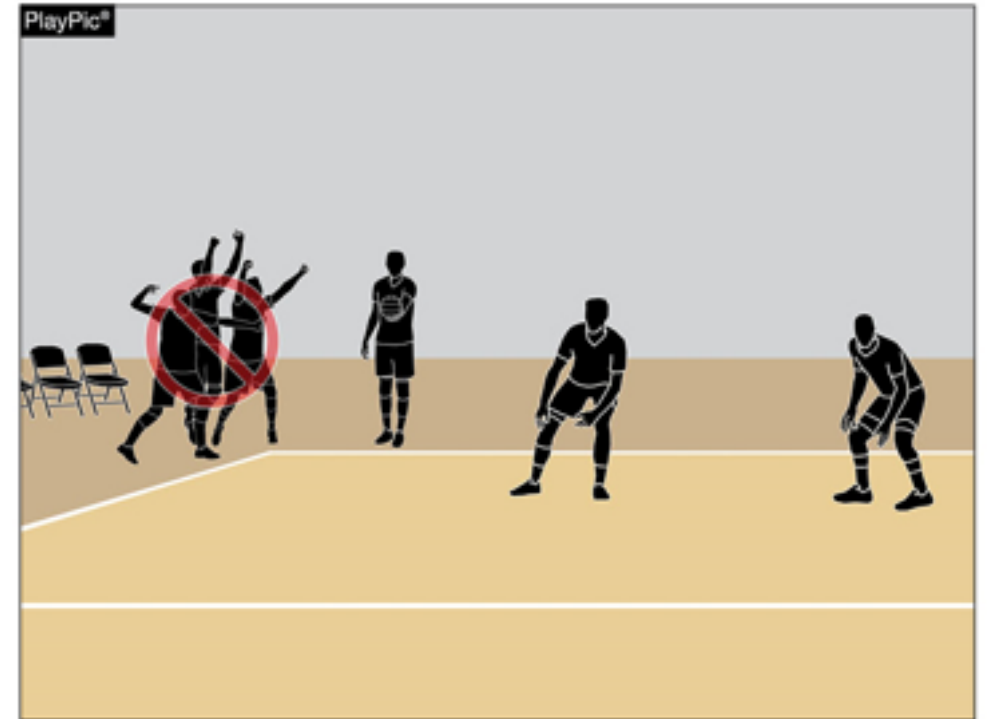
- Rule 12-2-7a allows bench personnel to, “Spontaneously react to an outstanding play by members of their own team.”
- Team celebrations must be done in an appropriate, sporting manner.
- The location and duration of these celebrations should not impede with the normal flow of the match.





## BENCH BEHAVIOR/SPORTSMANSHIP

- Celebrations that continue after teams are ready for play and/or move outside of the bench area may be deemed excessive.
- Excessive and disruptive reactions may result in an unsporting conduct penalty as described in Rule 12-2 PENALTIES.



## MANAGEMENT OF NON-TEAM PERSONNEL



- It is the responsibility of coaches to educate school administration and the school community as to the sportsmanship nuances of the game of volleyball. This should include:
  - Appropriate times cheerleaders may or may not cheer and proper location to cheer,
  - Appropriate comments, timing of announcements and good sportsmanship by PA announcers;
  - Appropriate time for music and sound effects (1-8);
  - Appropriate location and behavior of fans and mascots, etc.

## OFFICIALS' COMMUNICATION



- The first and second referees along with both line judges should participate in a pre-match conference to discuss the responsibilities of each crew member.
- Crew members should be prepared to ask questions and the first referee prepared to answer them.
- Topics of discussion should include:
  - Clarifying the responsibilities and mechanics during penalty administration; and
  - The review of informal signals.

## UNIFORM BOTTOM COMPLIANCE



- It is the responsibility of the head coach to ensure that his/her players are properly equipped, which includes items purchased by the individual athlete.
- Manufacturers are producing spandex marketed for volleyball with multiple large logos along the waistband. These bottoms, worn with uniform tops tucked or untucked, violate rule 4-2-1f.
- Officials should enforce these uniform violations when they occur with the appropriate penalty (4-2 PENALTIES).



# THANK YOU

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