

## 2007-08 NFHS VOLLEYBALL RULES CHANGES

- 1-8 New** This rule clarifies when music and sound effects may be used and prohibits the use of artificial noisemakers at all times.
- 4-1-6 New Penalty** The wearing of jewelry is prohibited in warm-ups and competition. A player observed wearing jewelry in warm-ups is directed by the official to remove the jewelry with no further penalty unless refusing to remove the item.
- 4-2-1d New** Bare midriff tops are prohibited and the uniform top shall be tucked in or hang below the waistband of the uniform bottom.
- 4-2-4c** The rule will now permit more than one color to be used in the trim surrounding the uniform number. Either the color of trim or the body of the number shall be in sharp contrast to the uniform top to make the number clearly visible.
- 5-1-2** Broadens the existing restrictions for officials on the use of electronic devices related to making decisions on the game.
- 5-2-1 Note 2 New** Beginning with the 2009-2010 school year the state association adoption note to modify officials' uniforms shall be deleted from the body of the rules.
- 5-2-1 Note 3 New** The individual state association may make a temporary adjustment in the official's uniform and permit the wearing of black shorts to address heat related issues.
- 6-3 Penalty 2 New** Penalty for an illegal libero replacement found in the game is a loss of rally/point and considered illegal alignment.
- 6-3-2e New** Allows the libero to serve in one position in the serving order.
- 5-6-3c, 9-6-5d,** Accompanying rules related to replacement, responsibilities of the assistant scorer and
- 10-4-1a and c New** libero player action are changed to reflect the eligibility for the libero to serve.
- 7-1-2** The requirement for the method of submitting the lineup is changed to a listing of the uniform number of the starting players in proper serving order and no longer uses a player floor position method.

- 8-1-5** A libero replacement shall not take place during a re-serve.
- 9-5-4** A back-row player is treated the same no matter what circumstances. It is now illegal anytime a back-row player on or in front of the attack line contacts the ball completely above the height of the net and completes an attack or the ball is legally touched by an opponent.
- 10-2-1** Deleted listing the conditions for when the head coach may stand from under the procedure for substitution as all conditions for the coach standing are listed in Rules 12-2-5 and 6.
- 10-4-1f, 10-4-2c** The libero replacement shall be completed prior to the whistle and signal for serve.
- 10-4-3** A libero replacement can take place once a time-out is completed and all players have returned to the court.
- 10-4-Penalty 1** Clarifies the penalties for an illegal libero replacement entering the game as an unnecessary delay and being found in the game after the whistle/signal for serve as illegal alignment (loss of rally/point).
- 12-2-6** Specifies the head coach shall be seated once the referee extends his/her arm in preparation to whistle/signal for serve.
- Official's Mechanics** The mechanics and point signal are changed to indicate point and team to have next
- Signal #17-Point** serve to extending the arm in the direction of the team that will serve, palm perpendicular to the floor. (Whistle, signal violation, point)

### **Major Editorial Changes**

3-1-Pen 1, 4-1-6, 4-2-1a, 4-2-Pen 1, 5-6-3c, 6-3-Pen 2c, 7-1-1b, 7-1-Pen 1, 7-1-Pen 2, 7-1-2a, 8-2-6a1-3, 9-1-1, 9-5-1c Note, 9-5-1c, 9-5-6b, 9-6-4c, 10-1-2a, 10-1-4, 10-2-1a, 12-2-1, 12 Card Procedure, 12-2-6, Unsportsmanlike to "unsporting,"

Libero Player Transition deleted