



**2022-2023  
NIAA  
VOLLEYBALL  
OFFICIALS RULES CLINIC**



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# AGENDA

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- **Welcome New and Returning Officials**
- NFHS New rules and rationale
  - Guidelines for accommodations (ex: Migraine earring)
- Major Editorial Changes
- Points of Emphasis
- Reminders: retro rules and Point of Emphasis
- Sportsmanship and Regulations
- Questions and Comments
- NIAA and NNVOA information





# 2022-23 NFHS VOLLEYBALL RULES POWERPOINT

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**Rules Changes and Points of Emphasis**  
**Retro Rules ~ REMINDERS**  
**NIAA Protocol – Team Benches**  
**Other Rules & Procedures**





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## Rules Changes



# CORRECTIONS

- Rules Book
  - 2022-23 Volleyball Rules Changes: ~~10-2-1a~~, 11-2-1
  - Rule 10-2-1a, pg. 42: Procedure for Substitution – The head coach ~~or playing captain~~ may verbally request ~~or~~ visually signal...
  - COMMENTS ON THE 2022-23 RULES CHANGES, pg. 56 – ~~10-1-1a~~, 11-2-1
- PowerPoint
  - Slide 9 Notes – Rule 3-1-3 PENALTY
  - Slide 17 – Assistantance coaches...





# STATE ASSOCIATION NOTIFICATION

## 3-1-3 PENALTY & 4-2 PENALTY 3

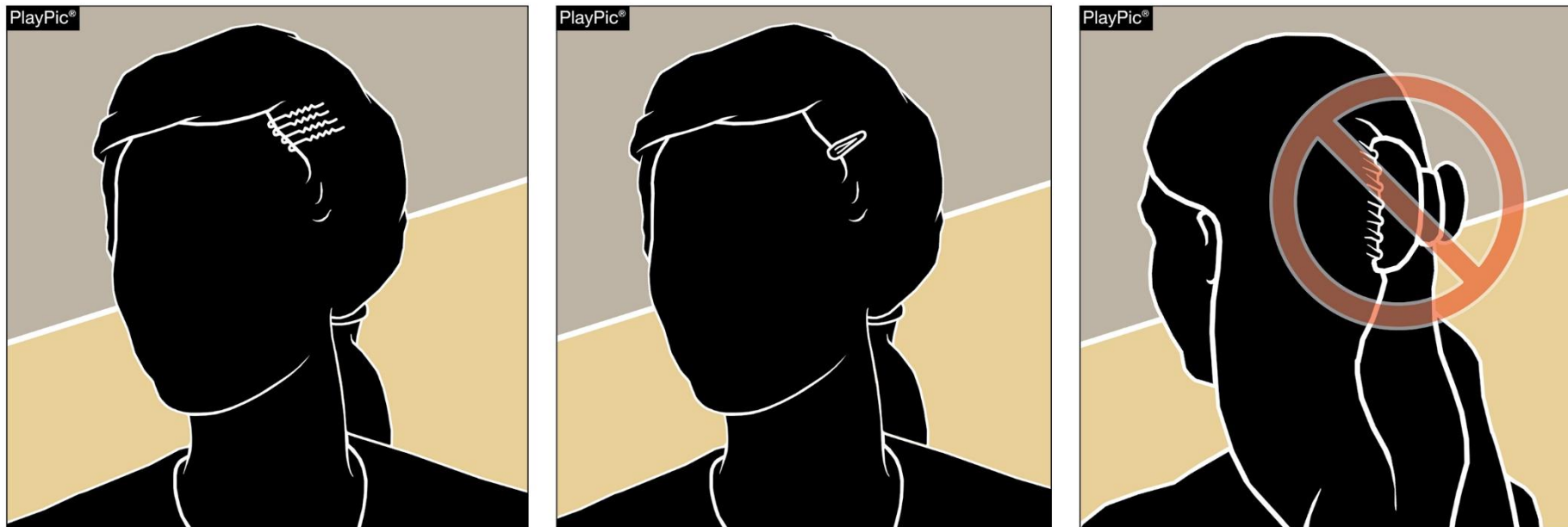
- **Rule 3-1-3 PENALTY** requires officials to notify the state association when the administration of the contest is compromised due to insufficient padding of the standards, floor/wall cables and/or first referee's platform.
- **Rule 4-2 PENALTY** requires officials to notify the state association when a team cannot legally uniform six players for competition.
- Language has been added to clarify that, when notified, state associations may determine the appropriate action/penalty(s), if necessary, to address the issue(s).





# EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES

## 4-1-6a

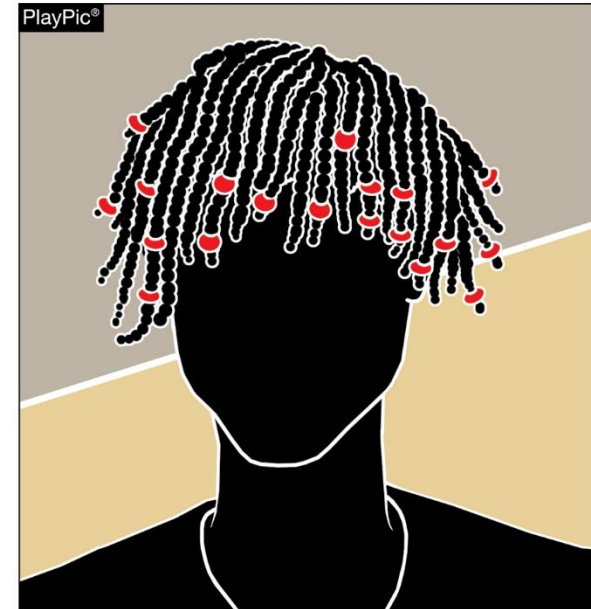
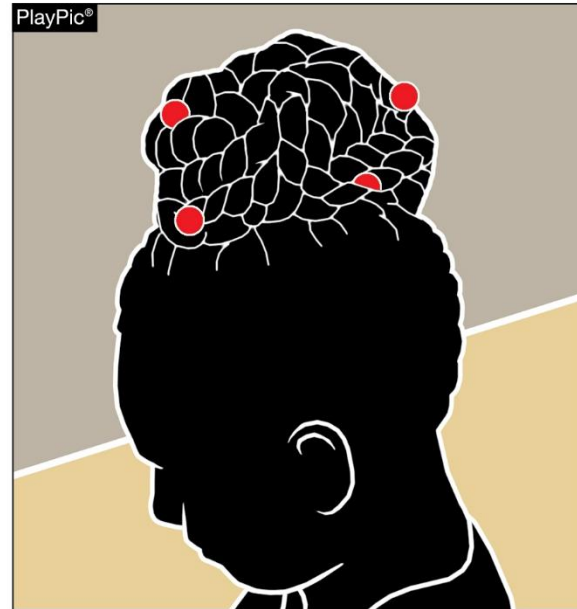
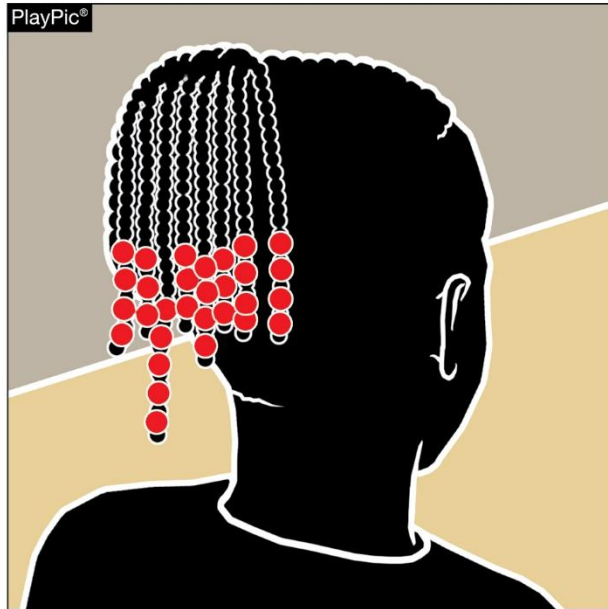


- Hair control devices that are securely fastened and do not increase risk to the athlete, teammates and opponents are permitted.
- Hair clips that are hard, protrude from the head and/or are easily dislodged do not comply and are not legal.



# EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES

## 4-1-6a



- Hair adornments that are securely fastened and do not increase risk to the player, teammates or opponents are permitted.



# EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES

## 4-1-6a



- Hair adornments that are **not** securely fastened or **do** increase the risk to the player, teammates or opponents should be addressed by the official with the coach.
- The player shall have the opportunity to make legal or remove.



# EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES

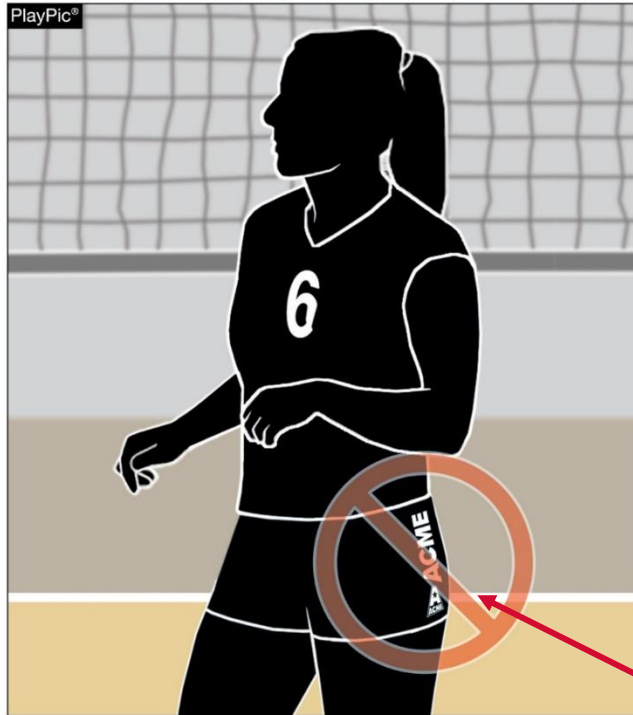
## 4-1-6a



- Hair charms are considered jewelry and per rule 4-1-7 would **not** be permitted.



# LEGAL UNIFORM 4-2-1f



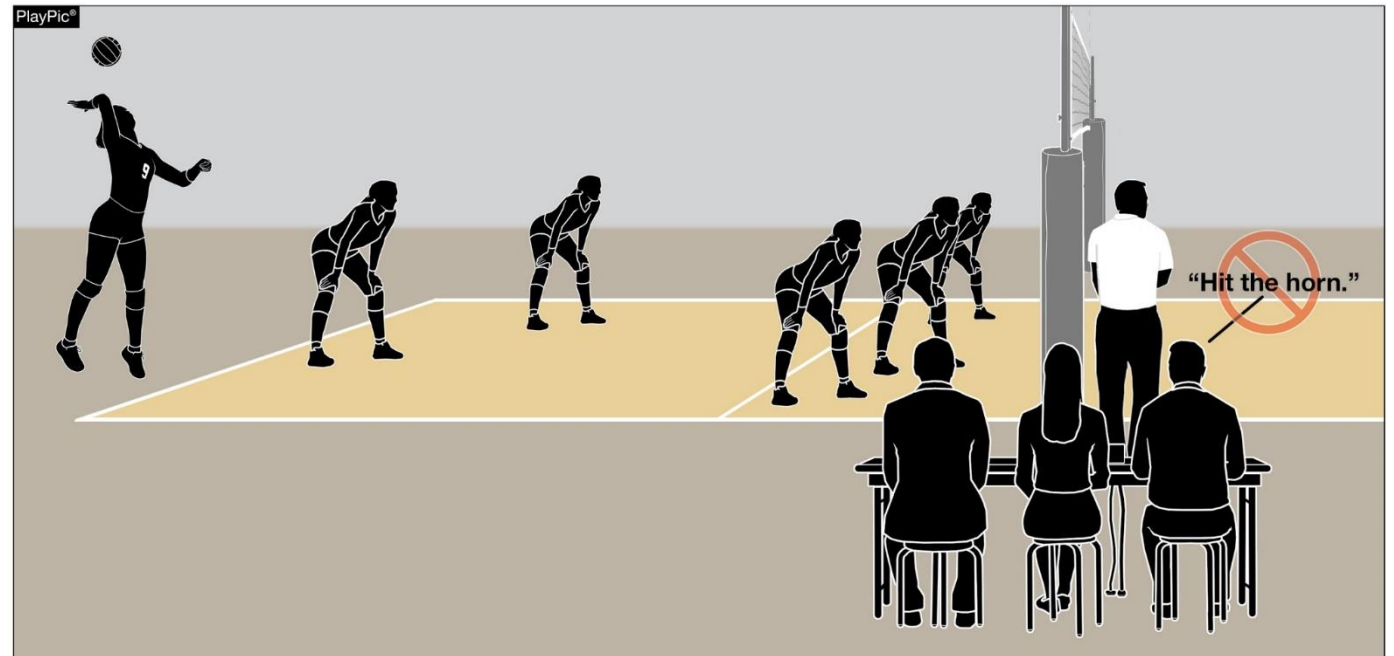
- Uniform bottom **waistbands** may have additional manufacturer's logos/trademarks/references.

- One manufacturer's logo/trademark/reference, no more than 2¼ square inches is permitted on each piece of uniform.

# SCORER AND LIBERO TRACKER RESPONSIBILITIES

## 5-6-3b, e; 5-7-3e

- When an improper server is recognized by the scorer or an illegal libero replacement is recognized by the libero tracker, play shall not be interrupted by sounding the audio device.
- The scorer or libero tracker shall notify the second referee during the first dead ball.





# LINEUP 7-1-2c

Team South Greenville  
Set # 2  
Libero # 9

Serve  Receive

I	2
II	4
III	6
IV	80
V	12
VI	14

The head coach is now required to indicate the playing captain with a “C” next to the player’s number on the lineup aligning language with the NFHS Volleyball Case Book and Officials Manual.



# TIME-OUTS AND INTERMISSION

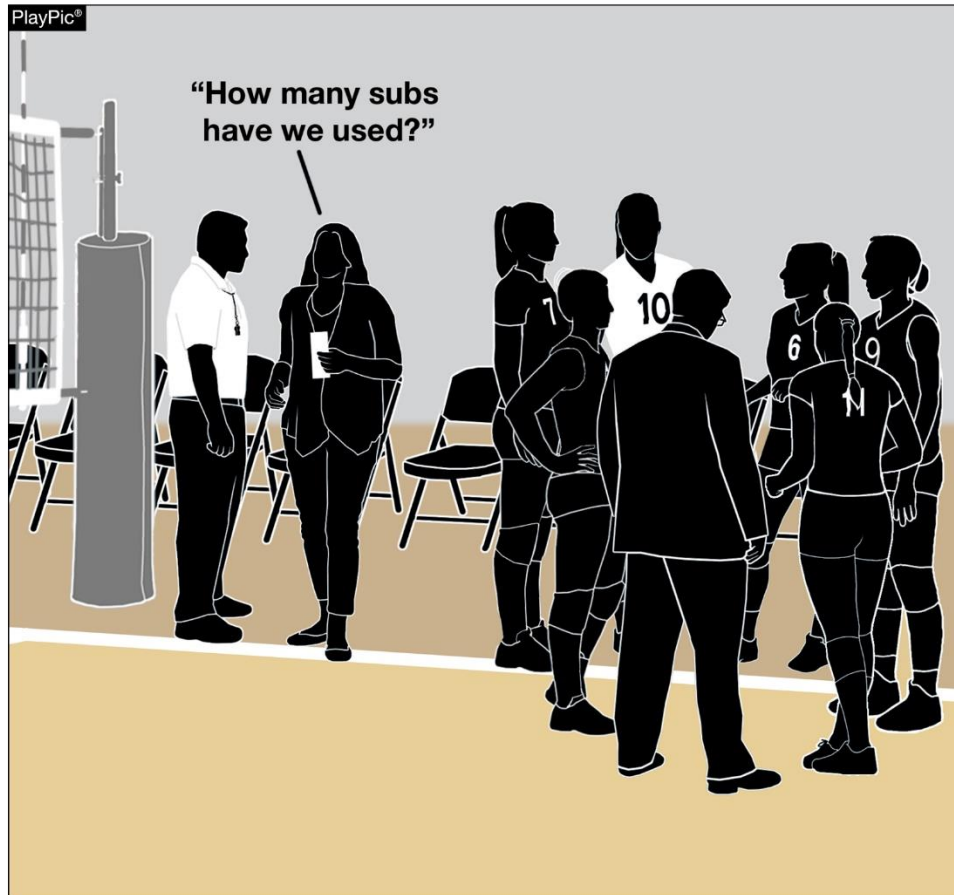
## 11-2-1



- Time-out requests by the head coach or playing captain may be signaled or verbalized.
- This change allows for a verbal signal to be recognized when hand signals are not seen.

# CONDUCT

## 12-2-5a



- Assistant coaches may stand during a dead ball situation and ask the second referee to:
  - Review the accuracy of the score;
  - Verify the number of time-outs used;
  - Verify substitutions used by their team;
  - Request the serving order of their team;
  - Verify the proper server for the opponent.
- This administrative communication aligns with the allowed communication between the assistant coach with the second referee.



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## Points of Emphasis



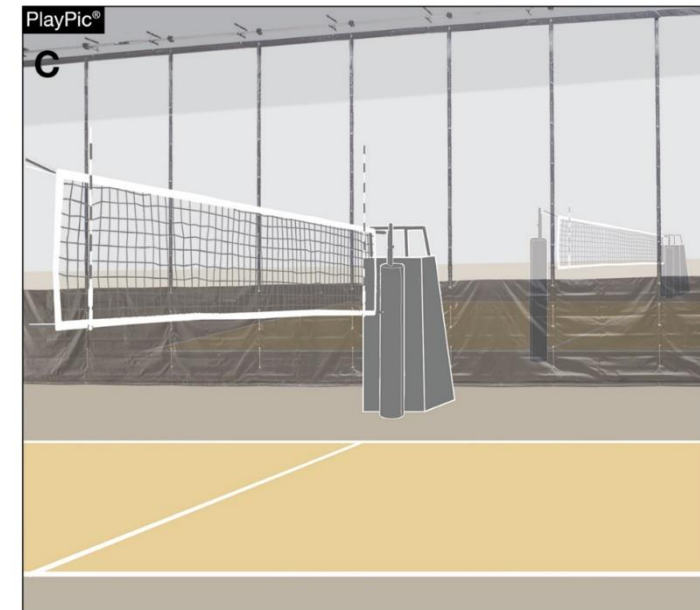
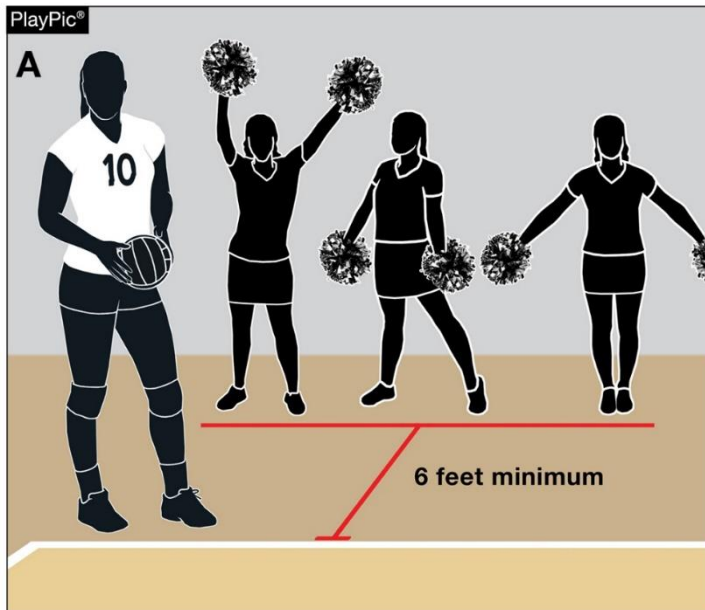


## PLAYABLE/NONPLAYABLE AREAS

- It is the responsibility of the host school to adhere to the requirements of both the court and all game equipment as outlined in Rules 2 and 3.
  - The match shall not be played when padding requirements are not met and the state association shall be notified to determine further action or penalty, as deemed necessary.
  - When game equipment, other than required padding, does not meet rule specifications, the match shall be conducted, and the improper conditions reported to the appropriate authority.
- Officials evaluate each site before their assigned match and determine playable and nonplayable areas, keeping risk minimization and fairness in mind in the application of the rules.
- State or regional assignors may create and provide a compilation of ground rules for each school prior to each season to help mitigate potential confusion.



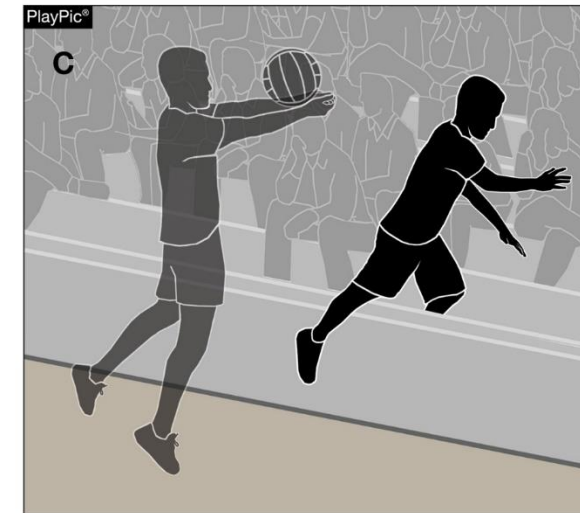
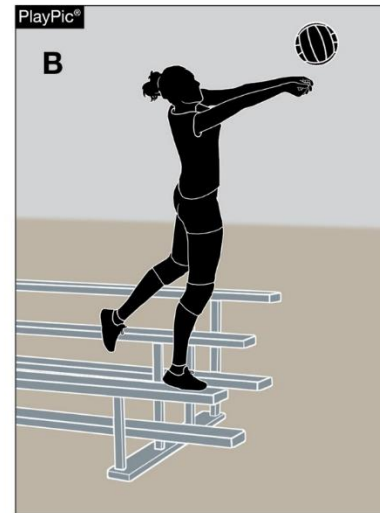
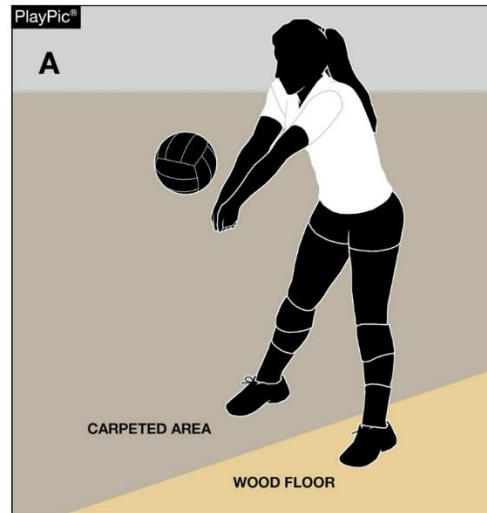
# PLAYABLE/NONPLAYABLE AREAS



Officials may need to communicate ground rules during the pre-match conference addressing the following:

- Extended space needed for serving when the minimum 6 feet (2 meters) is not available (PlayPic A);
- Overhead obstructions (basketball goals, batting cages, wrestling and/or cheer mats, running tracks, ceiling fans, speakers, beams, air ducts, ropes, lighting, banners, flags, scoreboard, etc.) ( PlayPic B);
- Divider nets (PlayPic C).

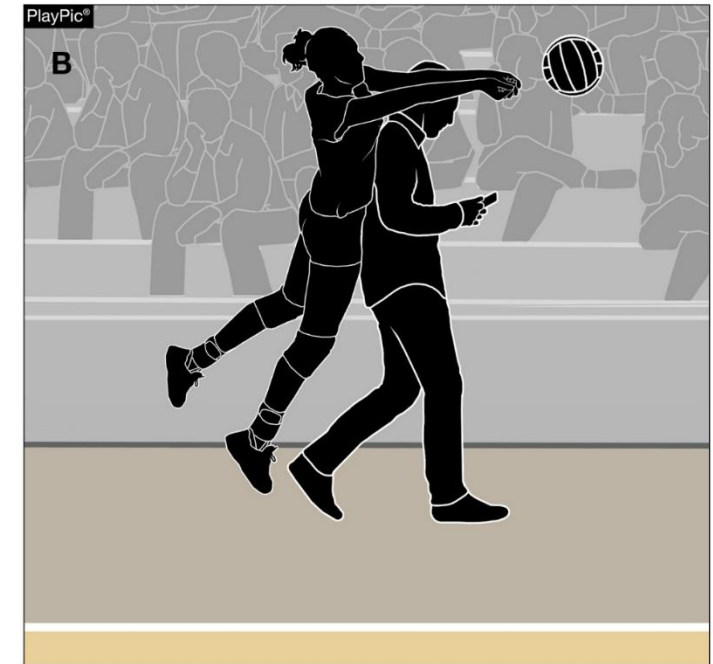
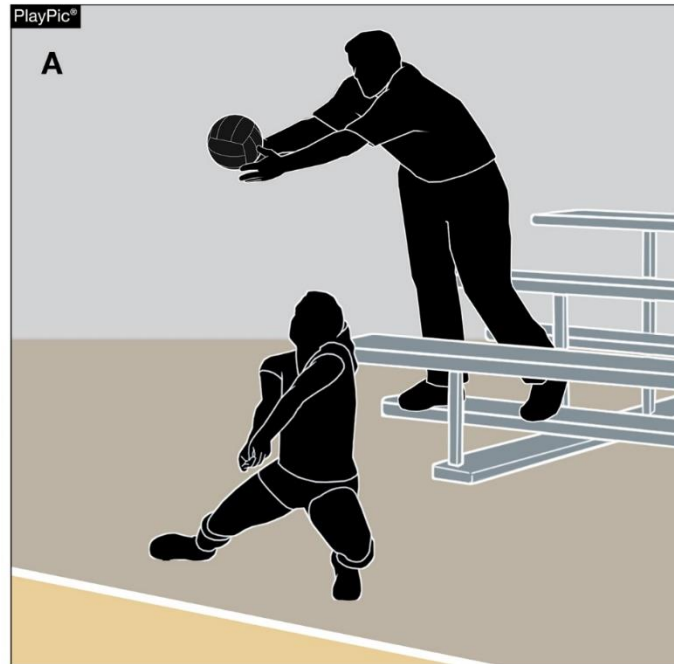
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- Rule 2-4-2 allows a player to retrieve a ball near a nonplayable area, if a body part is in contact with the playable area during the player's contact of the ball – regardless of if a foot or another body part is in the nonplayable area. (PlayPic A)
  - It is not the location of the ball, but the locale of the player.
  - A player can reach into a nonplayable area.
  - A player can also enter the nonplayable area after contact. (PlayPic C)
  - Being in contact with anything to gain an advantage, like bleachers, is illegal. (Play Pic B)

## PLAYABLE/NONPLAYABLE AREAS

- While playing a ball near spectators, a fan might interfere with a player or the ball, even without contacting the ball or player.
- Referees must determine if the player had a legitimate effort to make a play.



- There are times when both referees need to convene to decide if there was interference and the play should be replayed or if the ball is ruled dead.

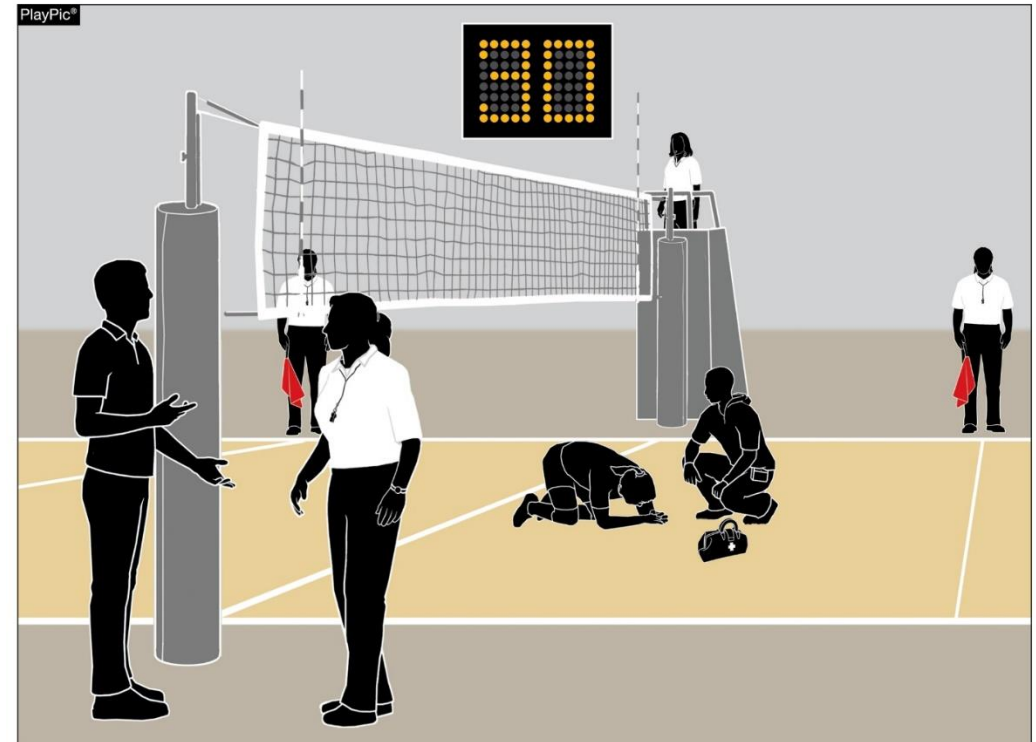
# INJURY PROCEDURE



- Risk minimization is the officials' primary responsibility.
- If an injury occurs during play, either referee can suspend play by sounding a loud double whistle and holding up both hands.
- Both officials should signal a referee's time-out.

# INJURY PROCEDURE

- The first referee remains on the stand, while the second referee allows the injured players' coach or medical staff to attend to the injured player.
- Line Judges should take their time-out position near the first referee.
- All officials should refrain from taking a position near the injured player.
- Rule 11-4-1 allows the coach 30 seconds to decide:
  1. The player can continue to play,
  2. To substitute/replace the injured player, or
  3. Take a time-out (if the team still has one remaining).
- The second referee needs to communicate with one of the injured team's coaches regarding their options and then explain that they have 30 seconds to choose an option before starting the watch.





# INJURY PROCEDURE

- A player does not have to be moved within the 30-second period. Only team personnel or medical staff decides on the appropriateness of moving an injured player, regardless of how long it may take.
- If the coach opts to substitute, the injured player does not follow normal substitution protocol.
- Once the injured player is removed from the playing surface safely, the second referee follows the substitution protocol – signal/whistle – ensure that the substitute is recognized and recorded by the scorer.
- If play was interrupted, the referees will administer a replay and continue play.
- The injured player who is legally replaced, may return to the set.

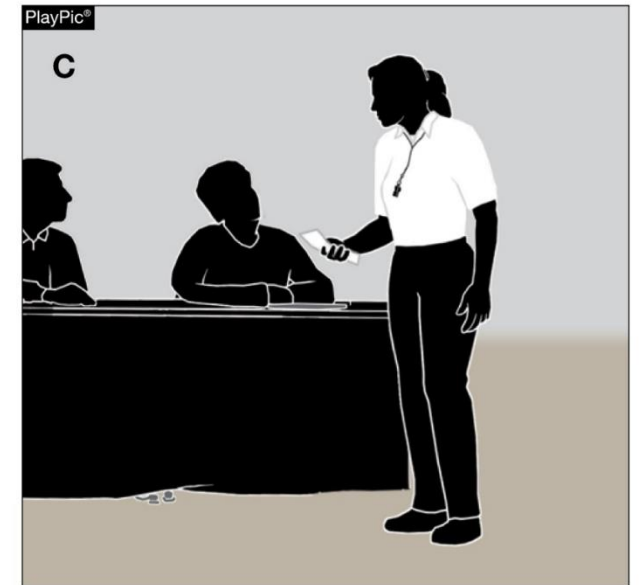
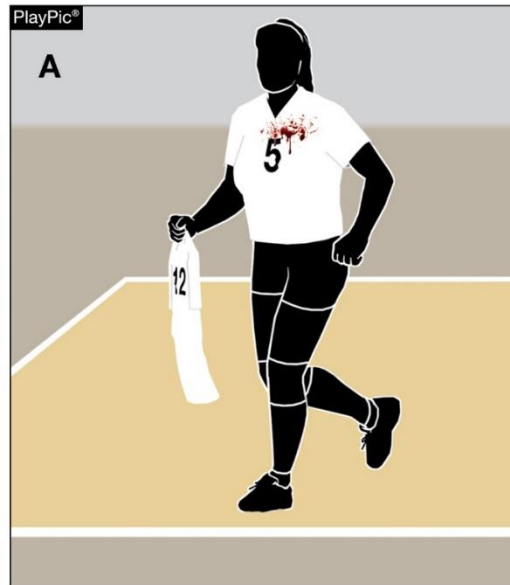


# INJURY PROCEDURE

## Blood Situations:

As soon as an official recognizes blood on a player, uniform, equipment or playing surface, play shall be suspended.

- Team personnel can aid a player.
- If there is blood on a jersey or player equipment, it must be appropriately cleaned or removed.
- The referees will allow a player to change jerseys – away from the court area.
- The second referee should scan the court and check the game ball(s) to ensure there is no blood.
- Medical staff can attend to the court and game ball(s) with the appropriate solution to remove any blood.







# INJURY PROCEDURE

## Concussion Protocols:

- Any athlete who exhibits signs, symptoms, or behaviors consistent with a concussion (such as loss of consciousness, headache, dizziness, confusion, or balance problems) shall be immediately removed from the contest and shall not return until cleared by an appropriate health-care professional.
  - It is not the responsibility of an official to assess a potential concussion.
  - It is appropriate for an official to suggest to a coach to attend to a player exhibiting the above signs, refraining from assessing that you think the player has a concussion.





# INJURY PROCEDURE

## Exceptional Substitution:

- If a team has exhausted their allowable 18 substitutions or no legal substitutes are available, and an injury occurs where a replacement is needed, a team may be granted an exceptional substitute in priority order.
  1. By a teammate who has never played in the set or a player who has played in that position.
  2. By any non-libero teammate on the bench who is not currently being replaced by the libero.
  3. By a libero if no other possible substitutes exist. (Must change jerseys.)
- The substitute counts as a team substitution and the injured player cannot re-enter that set if replaced by an exceptional substitute.



# SPORTSMANSHIP



- NFHS playing rules are written to encourage sportsmanship. Participation in these programs should promote *respect*, *integrity* and *sportsmanship*. However, for these ideals to occur, everyone involved in these programs must be doing their part.

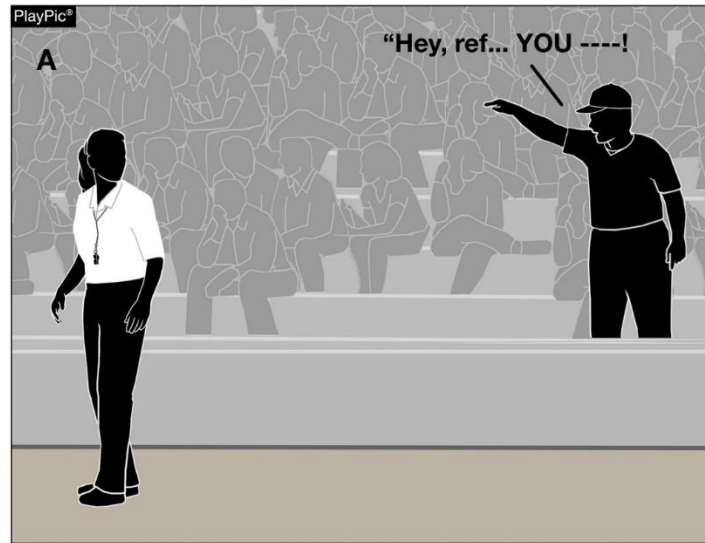


# SPORTSMANSHIP

- There must be a collaborative, working relationship between contest officials and game administration to promote good sportsmanship and safely conduct the contest.
- Everyone has their roles to play in creating a positive, sportsmanlike atmosphere at contests.



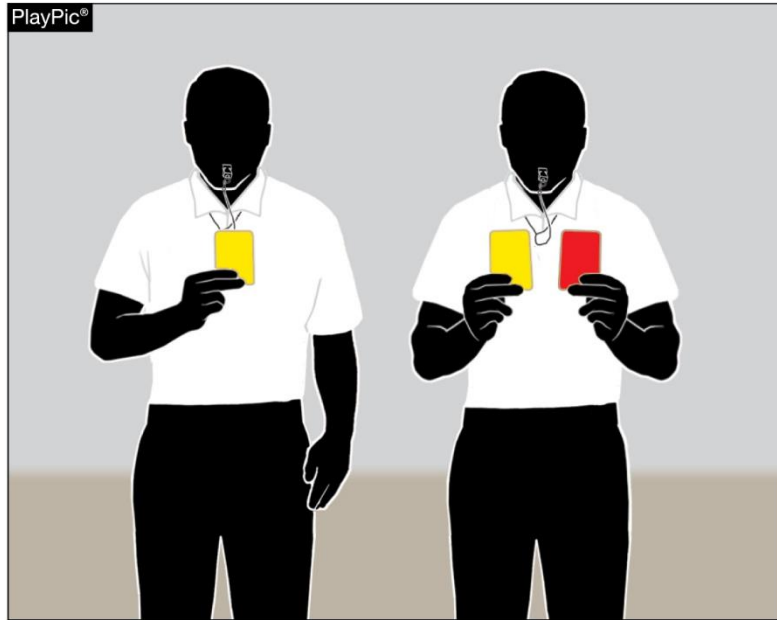
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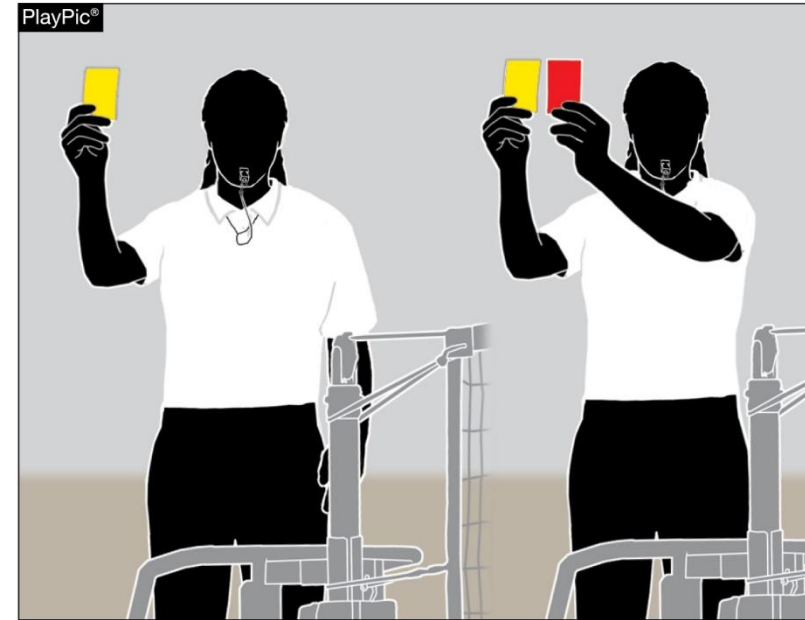
- Contest officials should never engage with spectators who are exhibiting unsporting behavior.
- Once the contest begins, school administration is responsible for dealing with unruly spectators.
- If spectators are using demeaning or profane language at officials – or at others in the stands – those individuals should be removed from the contest by school administration.



# SPORTSMANSHIP



Second Referee Communicating with First Referee

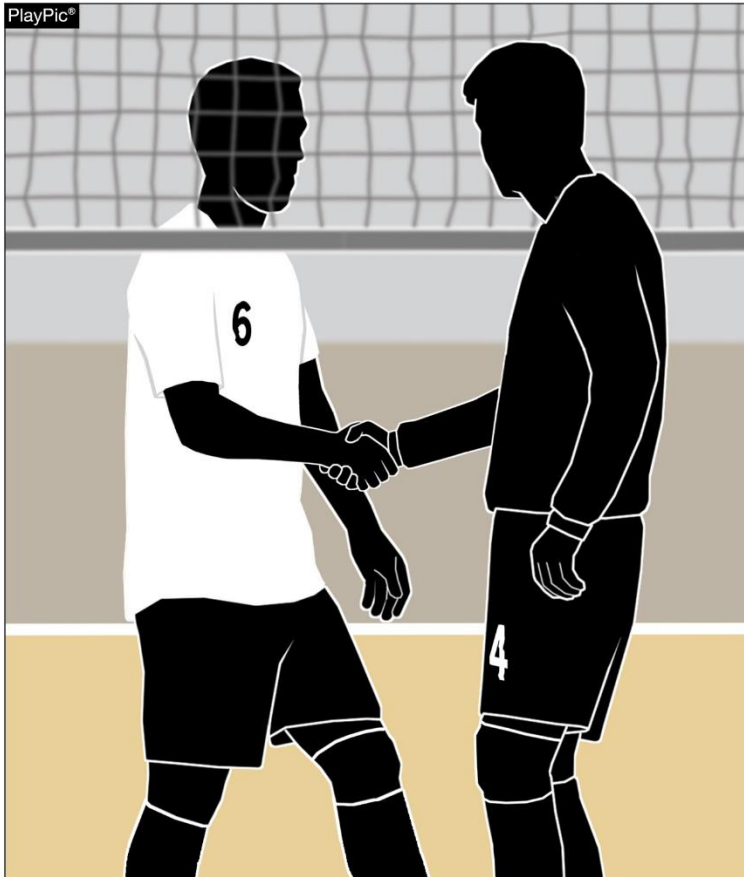


First Referee Administering Cards

When warranted, referees should administer cards in order to control unsporting conduct violations by coaches, players and/or team benches.



# SPORTSMANSHIP



- Good sports win with *humility*, lose with *grace* and do both with *dignity*.
- It takes the efforts of everyone every day to ensure that sportsmanship remains one of the top priorities in education-based activity programs.

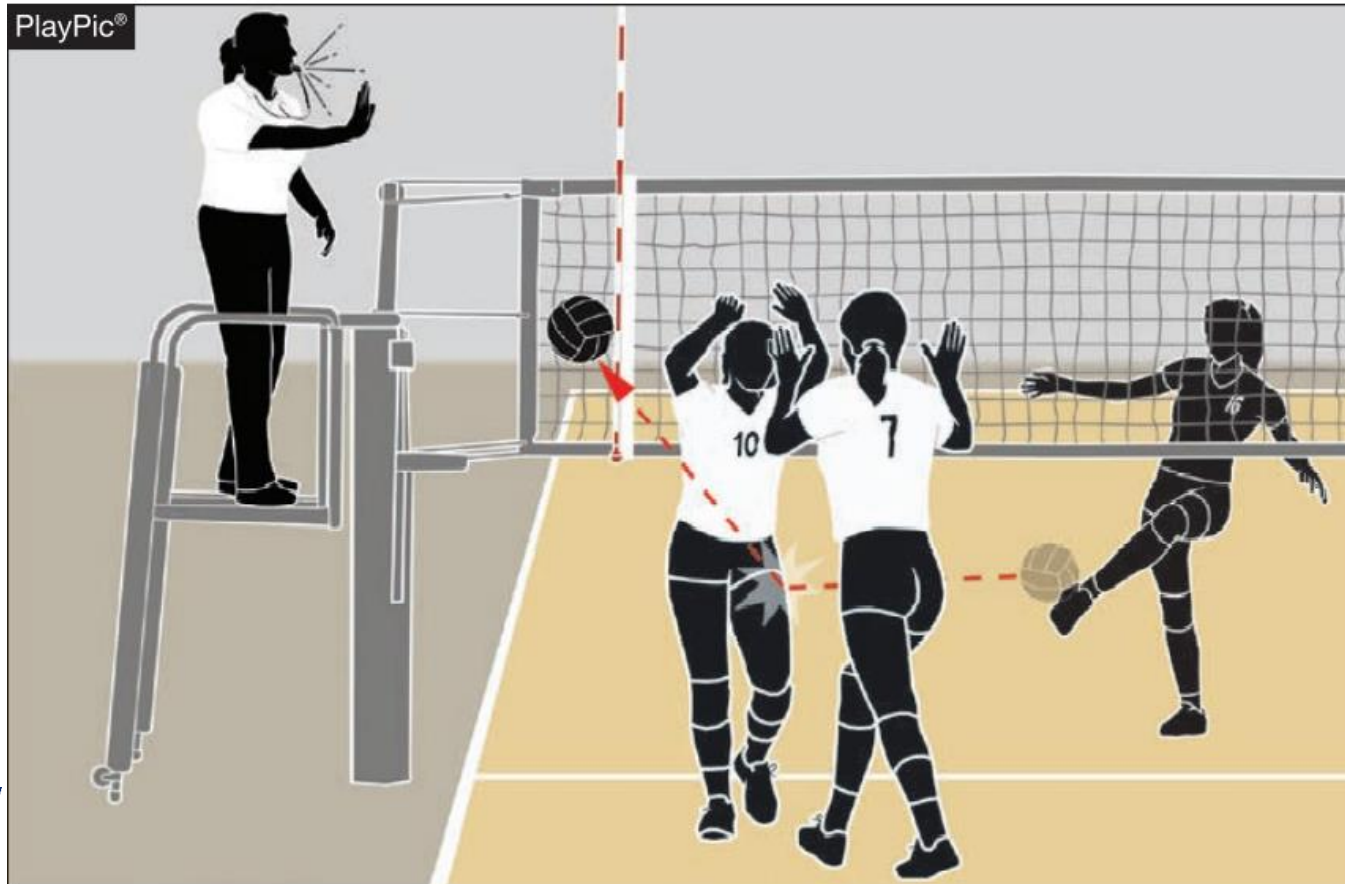
## BENCH BEHAVIOR/SPORTSMANSHIP - REMINDER

- 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.





# BEHAVIOR/SPORTSMANSHIP - REMINDER



- Playing a ball AFTER the referee has sounded the whistle to stop play can create a dangerous situation for other players and officials.
- Depending on the severity of the infraction, the first referee can penalize a team/player with anything from an oral warning to a match disqualification.

# NIAA Ejection Procedures for Players & Coaches

(PER SPORTSMANSHIP COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS)  
(Effective August 2019)

## PLAYERS

- When a PLAYER is ejected, player remains on bench. If she causes further problems, she will be asked to leave **but must be supervised.**
- With the ejection, PLAYER is suspended for the next scheduled contest. **PLAYER must complete NFHSLearn “Sportsmanship” Course before she becomes eligible to participate in any future contest.**
- By NIAA rules, player is allowed to be on the bench at the next scheduled contest, not in uniform and not allowed to participate in warmups or to be introduced with the team.





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## COACHES (Defined in NAC 385B.822)

- COACH ejected, must leave the “premises” ...in a timely manner.
- COACH suspended for next scheduled contest.
- **COACH must complete NFHSLearn “Teaching and Modeling Behavior” Course before becoming eligible to coach in any future contest.**
- By NIAA rules, coach not allowed to be on “premises” at next scheduled contest. NOT allowed to show up at the next scheduled match for warm-ups etc. - and then leave when the match begins.
- Coach, ejected from contest, NOT allowed to make their way back onto court when match has concluded; if they do then they are subjected to being ejected again if behavior is unsportsmanlike.





# 2022-2023 RETRO RULES, REMINDERS, PROTOCOLS & OTHER GUIDELINES

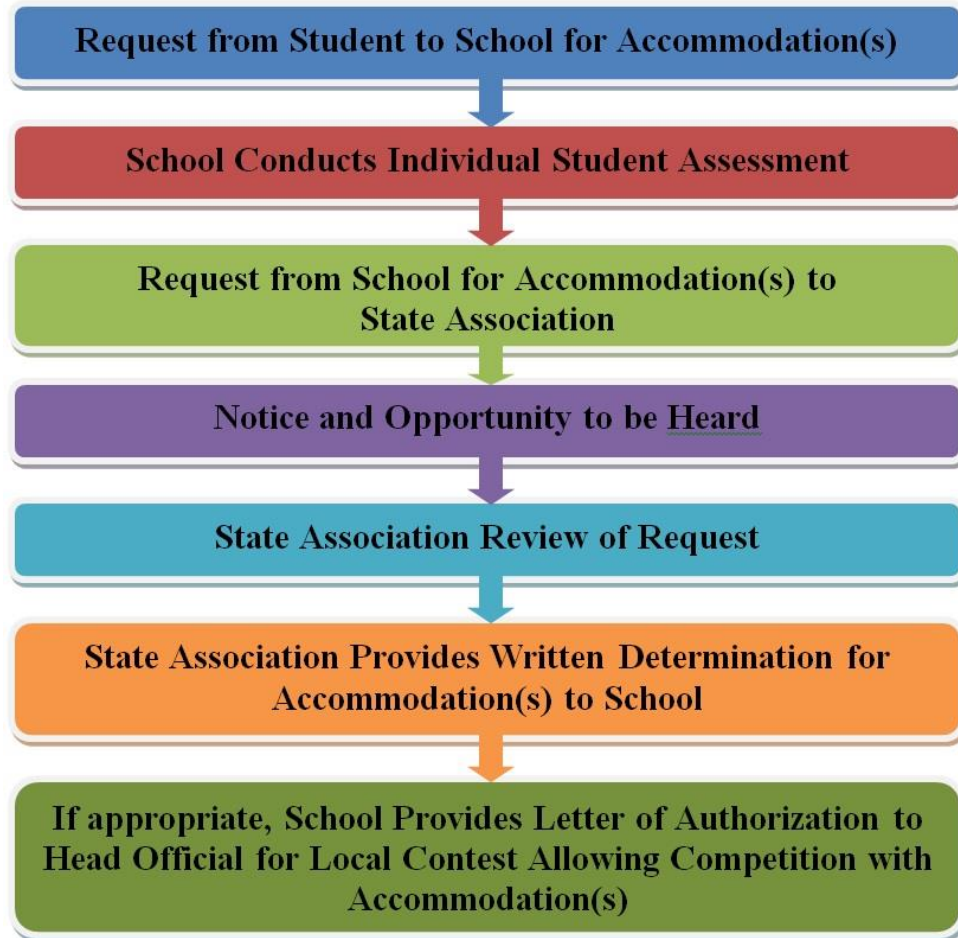
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**NIAA Protocols**  
**Retro rules & POE – reminders**  
**Other Rules and Guidelines**

# GUIDELINES FOR SCHOOLS AND STATE ASSOCIATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION OF ACCOMMODATIONS



Examples:  
Migraine earring,  
Insulin pump, head  
covering, etc.

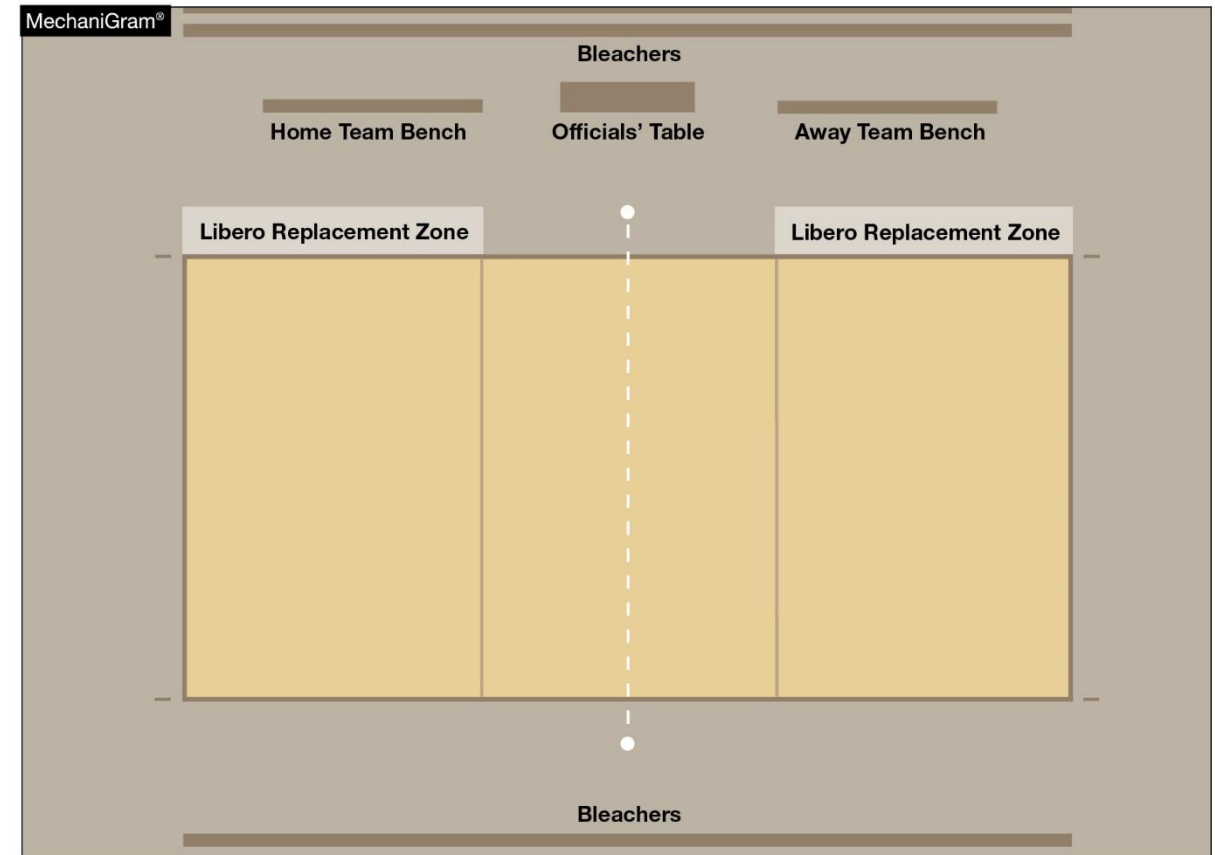
- Any special accommodation for an individual player
- Any other special circumstances not covered by the rules
- **Secure authorization prior to season competition**
- Provide appropriate support material



# STATE ASSOCIATION ADOPTIONS — TEAM BENCHES

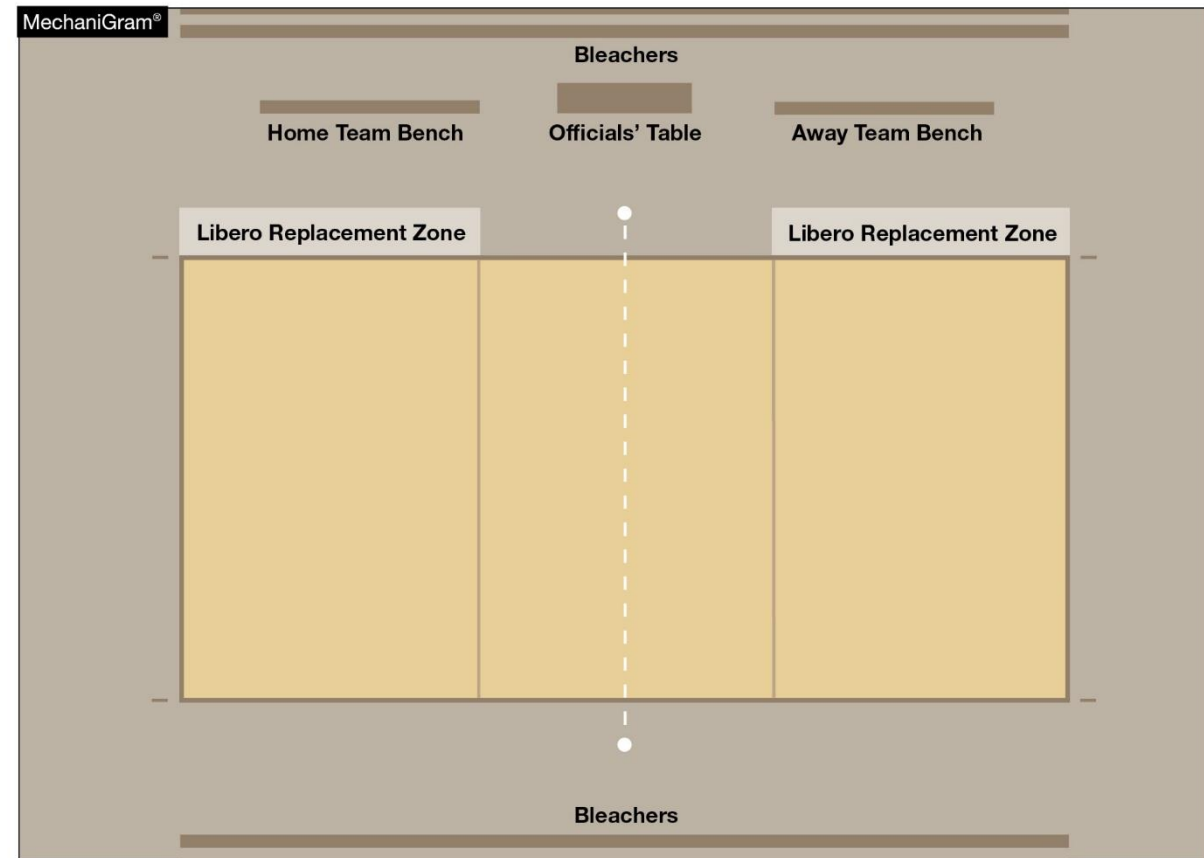


- The NFHS Volleyball Rules Book includes specific rule modifications that are allowed by state level adoption. Rules include:
  - Match format;
  - Forfeit protocol;
  - Uniform and equipment accommodations;
  - Line judge flags;
  - Electronic devices; and
  - **Bench rotation.**
- State Associations may in compliance with the rules allow teams to remain on one designated side of the court occupying the same team bench throughout the match.



## TEAM BENCHES & TEAMS – NO SWITCHING

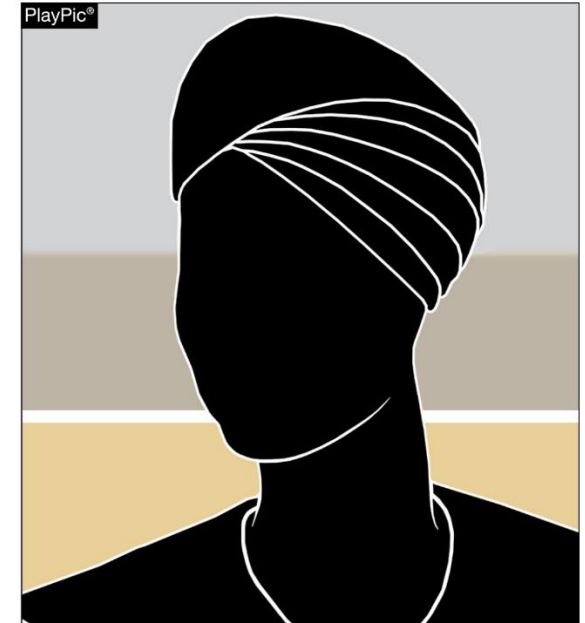
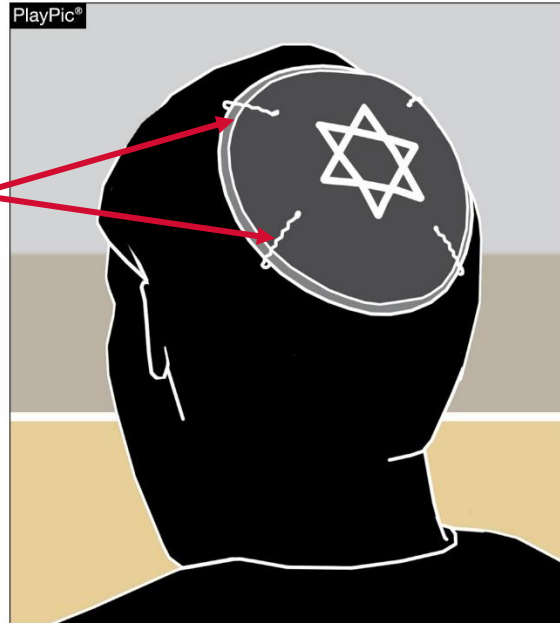
- Teams and benches will remain on the same side of the court throughout the match.
- **NO SWITCHING SIDES**
- **EXCEPTION: R1 & R2** determine a team has a distinct advantage/disadvantage
- Hear the appeal from the coach prior to the start of the match and decide.





## RULE 4-1-6a, b (REMINDER)

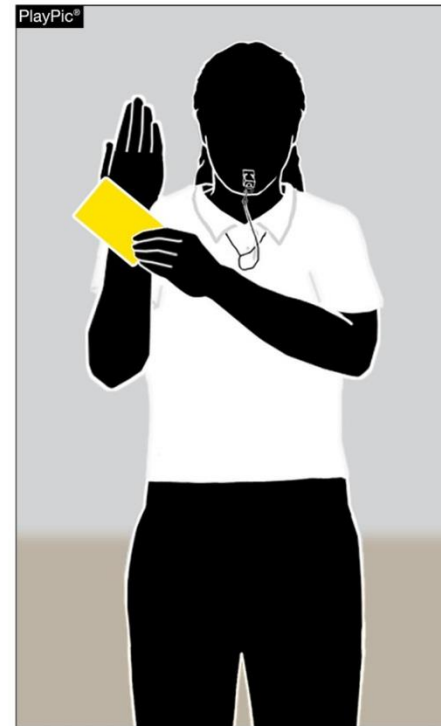
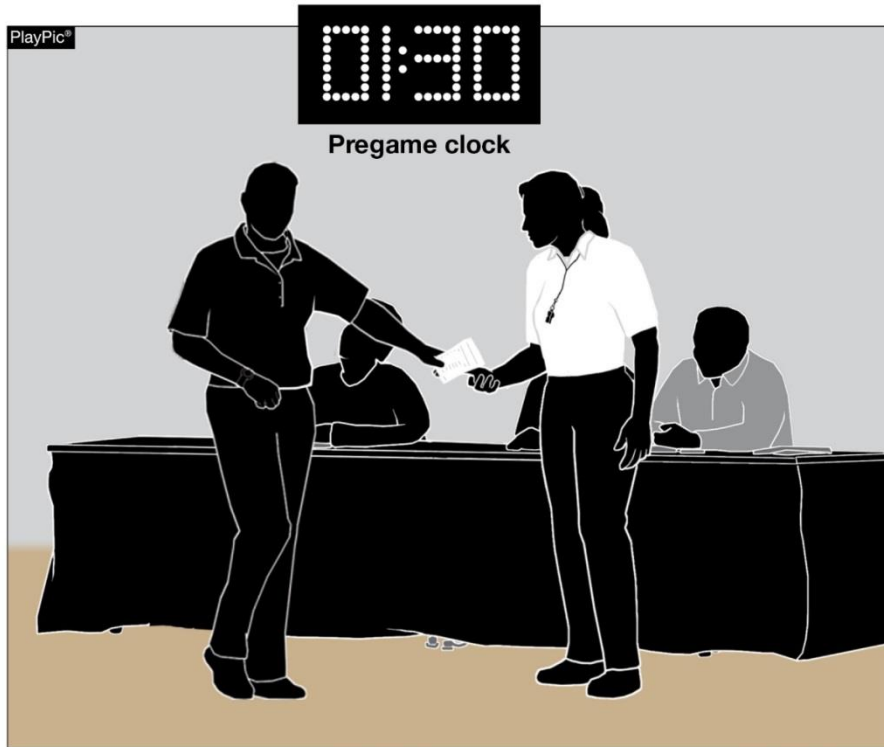
Legal hair devices such as bobby pins and flat clips, no longer than two inches, may be used to secure head coverings. (4-1-6)



- Players may wear head coverings for religious reasons.
- The headwear must fit securely and be made of non-abrasive or soft materials.
- **Head coverings worn for medical reasons must still receive state association approval.**



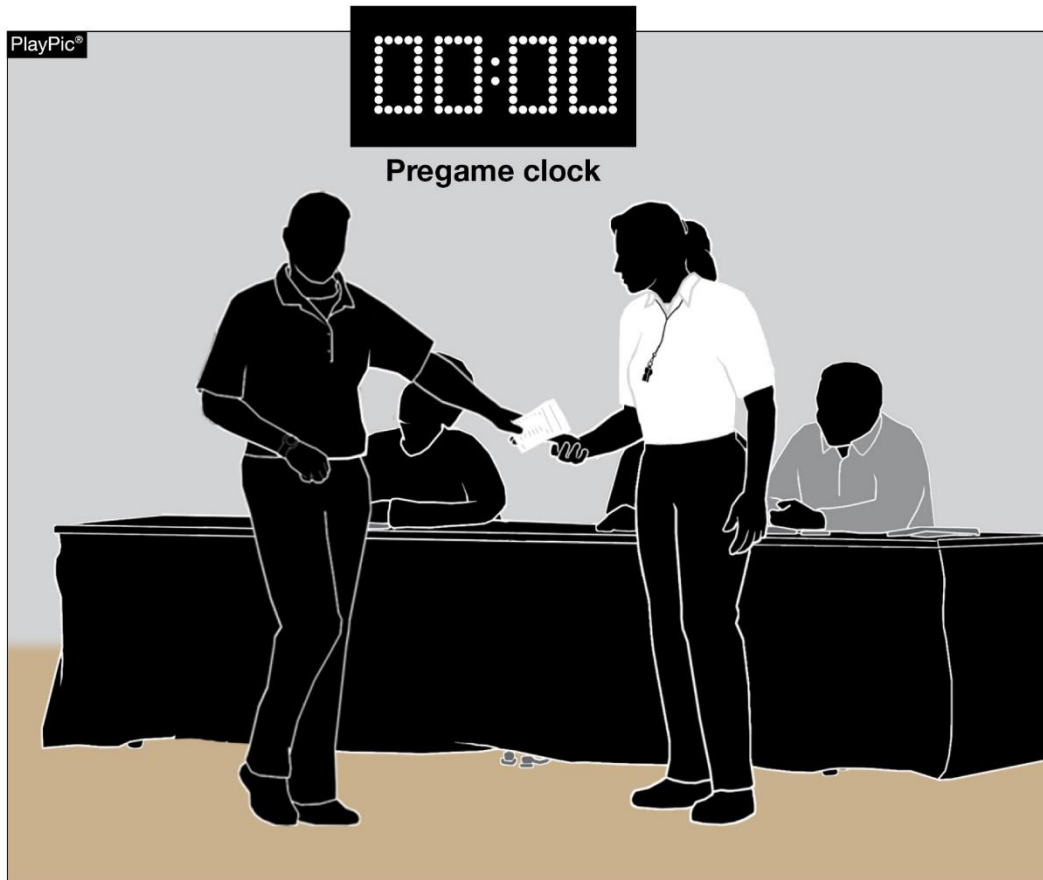
## RULES 7-1-4 PENALTIES(1), 9-9-1b (REMINDER



- When a head coach submits a lineup after two minutes remain on the prematch clock, an unnecessary delay (administrative yellow card) is assessed at the start of set No. 1.

- Lineups are due to the second referee no later than two minutes prior to the end of the timed prematch warmup (7-1-2a).

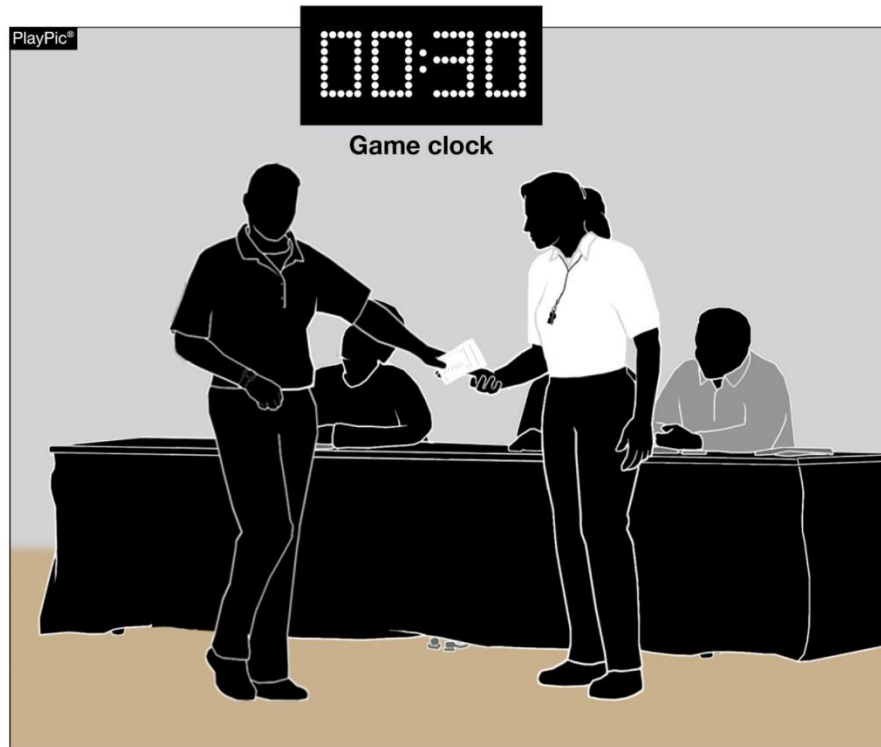
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- If the head coach has not submitted the lineup by the end of the prematch warmup, a subsequent unnecessary delay (administrative red card) is assessed at the start of set No.1, which results in a loss of rally/point awarded to the opponent.

## RULES 7-1-4 PENALTIES(2), 9-9-1b (REMINDER)

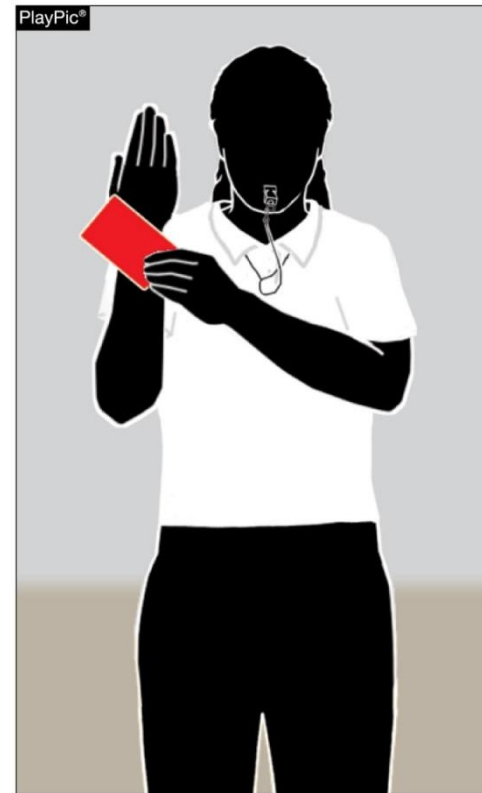
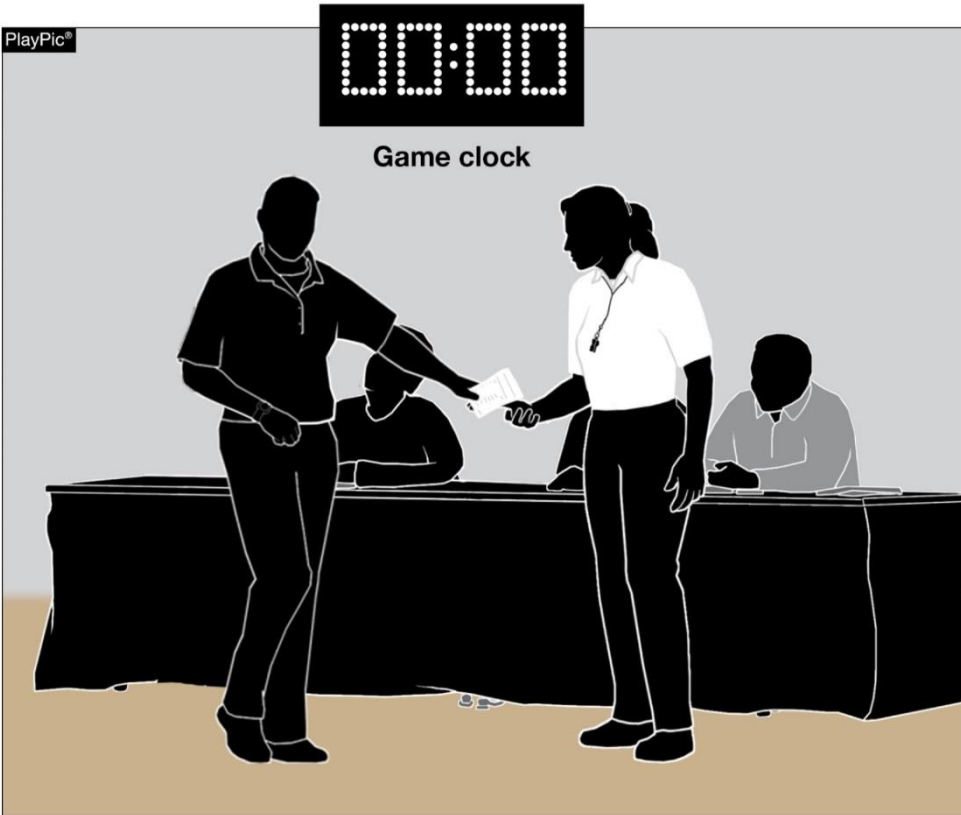
- Lineups are due to the second referee no later than one minute prior to the end of the timed interval/ intermission between sets (7-1-2b).



- When a head coach submits a lineup after one minute remains on the clock, an unnecessary delay (administrative yellow card) is assessed at the start of the next set.



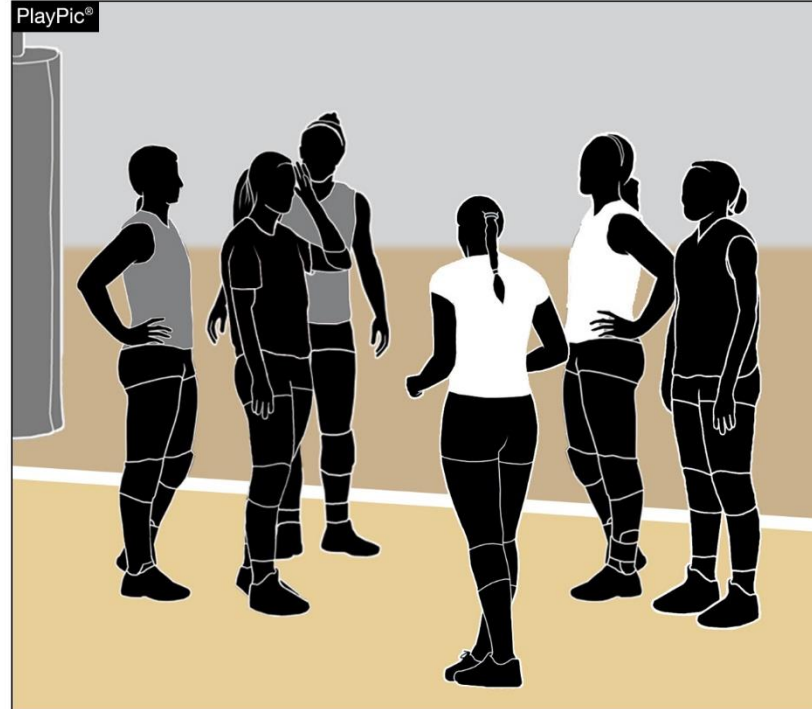
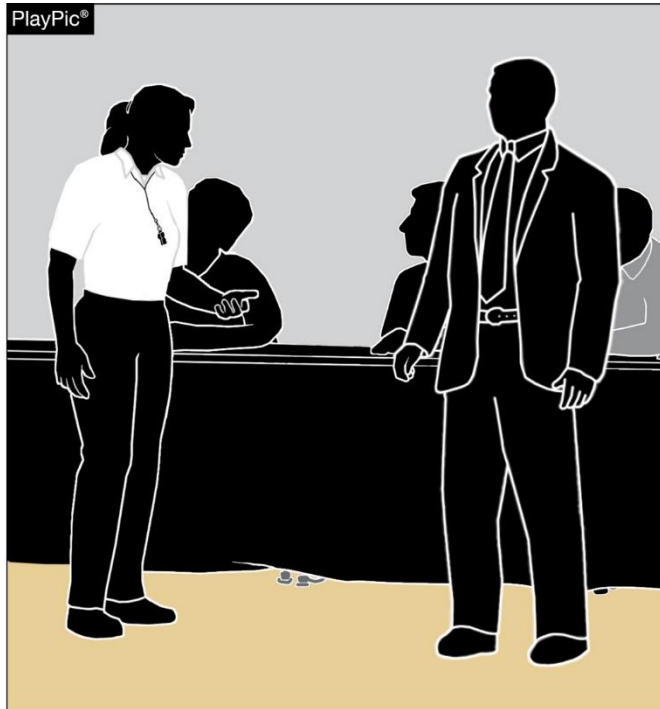
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- If the head coach has not submitted the lineup by the end of the timed interval/ intermission between sets, a subsequent unnecessary delay (administrative red card) is assessed at the start of the next set, which results in a loss of rally/point awarded to the opponent.



# ADDRESSING UNIFORM CONCERNS



**Process of Notification:** The official shall first notify the coach about the illegal uniform(s). If the coach cannot fix the problem for the match and therefore does not have six players wearing legal uniforms, a loss of rally/point shall be awarded to the opponent at the beginning of the match and the state association shall be notified.



## ADDRESSING UNIFORM CONCERNS



- **Numbers:**
  - When ordering new uniforms, refer to Rule 4-2-4 for number size and location requirements.
  - **Beginning in the 2023 season (July 1, 2023), the body of the number must clearly contrast from the body of the uniform regardless of trim.**

# LEGAL UNIFORM – REMINDER

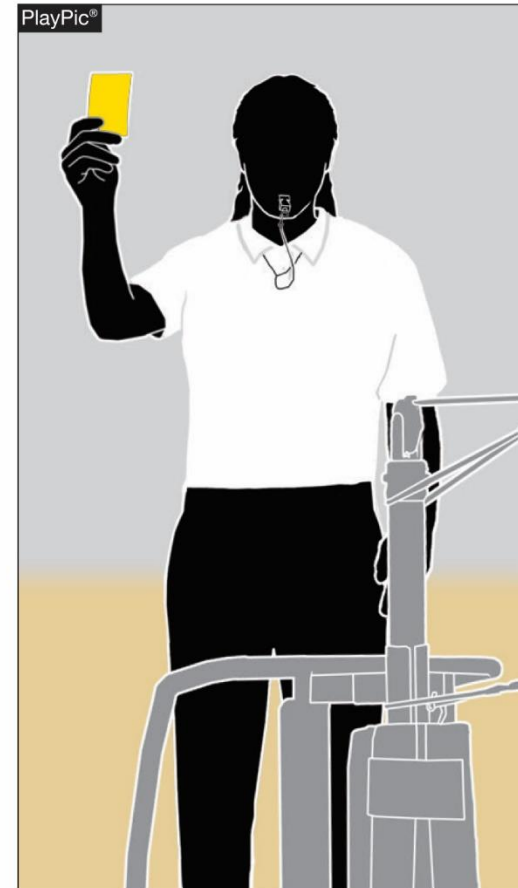
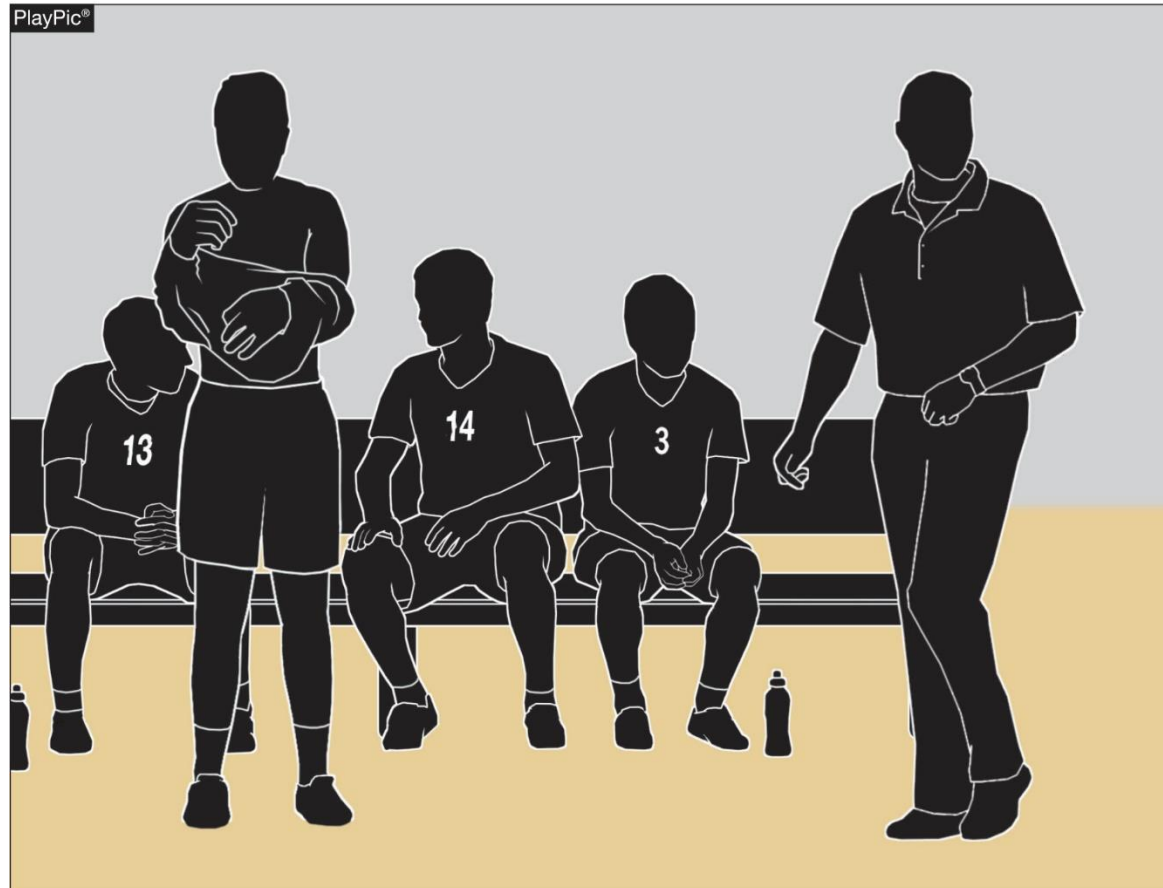
RULE 4-2-4b.....This changed in 2019-2020



- Eliminates the use of double zero (00) as a uniform number option.
- The number shall not be more than two digits (0-99).
- **There is NO exception – no waiver from the NIAA.**



# LEGAL UNIFORM: 4-2-7 REMINDER



- The penalty for the removal of any part of the uniform top or bottom is a yellow card charged to the coach for unsporting conduct.





# MANAGEMENT OF NON-TEAM PERSONNEL - REMINDER

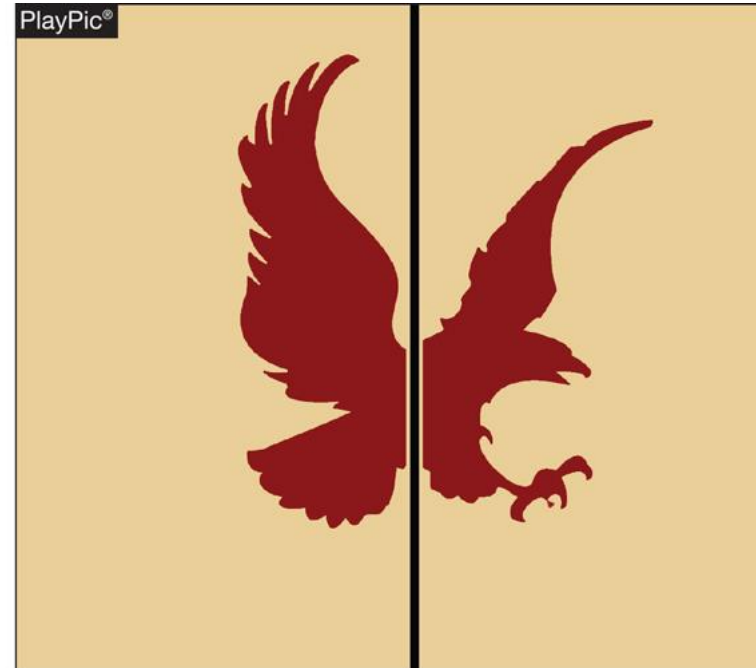


- It is the responsibility of coaches to educate school administration and the school community as to the sportsmanship nuances of the game of volleyball. This should include:
  - Appropriate times cheerleaders may or may not cheer and proper location to cheer,
  - Appropriate comments, timing of announcements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

# COURT MARKINGS - ATTACK LINE - RULE 2-1-5

## REMINDER

- The attack line **shall be solid and of one clearly visible color** regardless of whether or not there is a logo on the court. This ensures visibility to determine legal player action. **Put tape down so court is in compliance.**



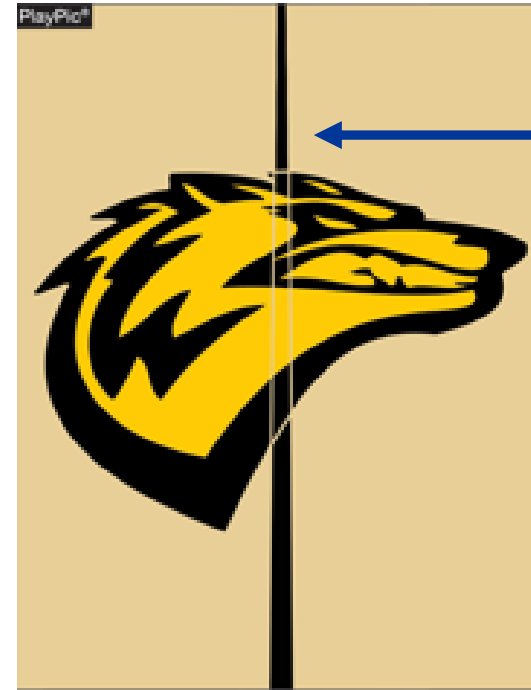
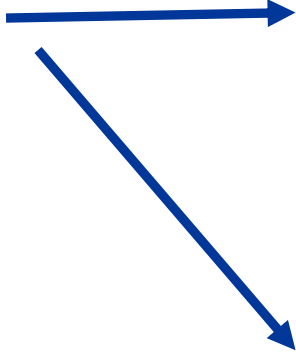


# COURTS AND MARKINGS RULE 2-1-2

## REMINDER

The boundary lines of the court are strongly recommended to be one clearly visible color contrasting to the color of the floor. A shadow-bordered line may be used for only the center line.

Boundary Lines



Center line





## JEWELRY – RULE 4-1-7 REMINDER

- Jewelry cannot be worn by players during warm-ups and/or competition.
  - No tape or band aides to cover earrings, nose earrings, etc.
  - Assume tape is covering earrings/jewelry
  - Headbands attempting to cover earrings
  - Piercings – **coaches need to educate players and take the lead**
- **Penalty**
  - During warm-up, directed to remove (official to coach).
  - Refusal = unsporting conduct.
  - Attempting to enter set with jewelry on = YUD/RUD and substitution can be denied
  - Found in set = YUD/RUD; requires a sub unless immediately made legal



# JEWELRY – PROPOSAL TO NFHS FOR 2023-24 SEASON

Proposal Will NOT look like USAV jewelry rule – voted down by NFHS Volleyball Rules Committee in January 2022.

**Proposal will be similar to NCAA rule in effect this college season:**

- “All jewelry must be removed, except small secured articles like post or stud piercings. Articles of jewelry below the chin are not permitted.
- Rationale: This change is not intended to encourage players to wear jewelry. It simply recognizes that some jewelry may be worn without a safety concern. This would align NCAA rules with USA Volleyball rules, which should reduce confusion for student-athletes, coaches and officials.





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# NIAA, NNVOA & OTHER GUIDELINES



- NIAA/NFHS Certifications - Concussion Education
- Coach/Player Removal -- Ejection Process
- Assistant Coaches Responsibilities
- TOOLS:
  - ✓ Rule Book Review (1-12)
  - ✓ Casebook and the Simplified & Illustrated book
  - ✓ Preseason Guide
  - ✓ Fall Summary Guide





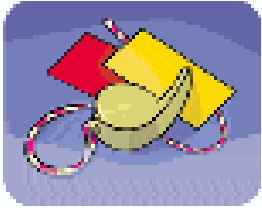
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- Arbiter
  - Availability, scheduling, contact info
  - Announcements
- NNVOA Board
- Professionalism
- Business/Paperwork
- Uniform
- Regional and State Tournaments (North=5A, 2A) (South=4A, 3A, 1A)



# Ejections



## **EJECTION**

- The coach must leave the facility **IMMEDIATELY**
- A player can remain but sits in stands.
- Contact Ellen immediately after the match with **PHONE CALL** and then fill out the form

## **EJECTION FORM**

- Submit the form **ASAP** via fax or email. Explain the situation but leave out assumptions/opinions.
- See packet for the form
- On-line at Arbiter under “Lists” tab



# Conduct and Privileges of Assistant Coaches

- Assistant coach has fewer privileges than the head coach
- Stand during dead ball and ask second referee:
  - Number of time-outs used
  - *Number of Substitutions remaining\**
  - Request serving order of his/her team
  - Request to verify proper server for opponent
- May stand at bench
  - To greet a replaced player
  - Confer with players during time-outs
  - Spontaneously react to an outstanding play by his/her own team
  - Attend to injured player with permission of referee



# Conduct and Privileges of Assistant Coaches

- Assistant coach shall not stand in bench area during play
- Inappropriate to try to engage second referee in discussions regarding a ruling
- Assistant coach who lingers by continuing to stand once play has resumed may result in card
- Assistant coach does NOT attend the pre-match conference/coin toss UNLESS the head coach is late to the contest



# Conduct and Privileges of Assistant Coaches

- Second referee sets the boundaries for assistant coach(es) based on the rules from onset of beginning of the match
- Preventative officiating allows the second referee to professionally address assistant coach
  - Guides assistant coach to follow the spirit of the rules
  - Avoids rushing to a penalty and maintains order in match
- Assistant coach exceeding the boundaries of these rules places himself/herself in a position of possible penalty and detracts from the players and contest itself



# The Books - Preseason Guide – Fall Summary

- Rules 1-4
- Rule 5 and Officials Manual (pages 59-99)
- Rules 6-8
- Rule 9 and Page 71 Unnecessary Delay Chart
- Rules 10-12
- How to use the Casebook with the Rule Book and S&I
- Simplified & Illustrated Book
- **Pre-season Guide**
- **Fall Summary Guide**



# VOLLEYBALL

## 2022-23 PRESEASON GUIDE

### User Friendly

#### NFHS Adopts New Rules to Assist in Game Administration

The NFHS Volleyball Rules Committee met in January in Indianapolis and recommended seven rule changes for the 2022 season, which were subsequently approved by the NFHS Board of Directors. The rule changes are mostly administrative and will not significantly alter game play, but should help officials in game management areas.

The rule changes specifically address hair adornments, logos on waistbands and allowing assistant coaches more responsibility during dead-ball situations, among others.

#### Equipment and Accessories 4-1-6a

In order to be more inclusive, the committee voted to amend the rules regarding hair adornments. Items such as beads are now legal, provided they are securely fastened and do not increase risk to the player, teammates or opponents as shown in PlayPic A. The committee also eliminated language

PlayPic<sup>®</sup>

A



Previously, the uniform of the player hitting the ball would be illegal due to the amount of manufacturer logos on the waistband. A rule change for 2022 allows players to have multiple logos on the waistbands, making these uniform bottoms legal. Maria O'Hara, Oxnard, Calif.

pertaining to size restrictions of two inches or less that was previously included in rule 4-1-6 for bobby pins, flat clips and flat barrettes. These hair control devices may be legally worn in the hair, as long as they do not present an increased risk of injury to the player, teammates or opponents.

Play 1: During team warmups, the officials notice a team A player is wearing beads at the end of long braids. The hair is (a) pulled back into a bun, keeping the hair and beads close to the head, or (b) free flowing, allowing the hair to sway back and forth. Ruling 1: In (a), the beads are legal as they are securely fastened to the hair and there is no danger to other players. In (b), the beads are illegal as they are not tightly

secured and could cause injury to other players as the hair moves around.

#### Legal Uniform 4-2-1f

Due to the fact student athletes are often required to supply their own uniform bottom, the committee adopted a change to rule 4-2-1f. This change allows student-athletes the opportunity to wear uniform bottoms featuring multiple manufacturer logos, trademarks or references that exceed 2-1/4 inches on waistbands, as shown in PlayPic B. The size and number of manufacturer logos on the waistband of uniform bottoms is no longer an issue in regard to the legality of the uniform. All size and number restrictions still apply to the rest of the uniform bottom. The committee

## NNVOA Volleyball Guidelines – Fall 2022

### 1. Pre-Match and Match Guidelines:

- Most matches are officiated by a two-person crew: R1 (on stand) and R2 (on floor). Some matches (Frosh and JV) and most tournaments are officiated by a single official. Occasionally a single Varsity referee is used.
- **Format:** Rally 3 out of 5 all Varsity and Rally 2 out of 3 all JV and Frosh. All 1A schools may play double-headers with either a Varsity-JV-Varsity format or a JV-Varsity-Varsity format. Officials should collaborate with the coaches and event management to determine the format in use prior to the start of the match. Go with the flow-be flexible. (1A DH's Varsity are 3/5) **There may be some JV 3 out of 5's.**
- First matches during the week start at 3:45/4:00 at most schools (3A and 5A); some will start at 3:00 (2A and 1A). We travel as far as Hawthorne, Coleville and other locations requiring 2-2.5 hours of travel time (one way). Being available by 11:00/12:00 is a benefit. The bulk of matches are T/W/Th/F/Sat. There are matches on Monday.
- NNVOA officials do not rule on the eligibility of players to compete in a match. This is the responsibility of the coach(s), their school administration, AND the NIAA. **The NIAA established a new rule allowing players to play on multiple teams in each day (i.e., JV & Varsity).** Please make sure that the rosters are accurate for all teams.
- Officials need to check the net height, antennas placement, padding and so forth prior to each match, not just at the beginning of the day. The net and antennas can take a pounding during sets and warm-ups. i.e., Varsity officials coming in, please check net height, antennas, and playable areas after JV match.
- NFHS rules do not require any specific brand and model of ball for use by teams, so long as the ball meets the requirements of the rule regarding size, weight, inflation, markings, **NFHS seal and color.** **The colored-panel ball is the norm.** The NIAA uses Molten balls for Regional/State playoffs.
- Warm-up times are 8-8 for all levels (visitor-home-no shared serving = VHS). When unusual circumstances happen, like a late bus, the warm-up schedule may be altered by the R1, in conjunction with the coaches. Teams cannot be denied their warmup time.
- To be considered for post season matches: Officials must score a 92% or higher and have attended the NIAA Rules Clinic to be eligible for Regional and State contests. Officials may retake the test through mid-to-late October if necessary.

### 2. Team (School) Uniforms

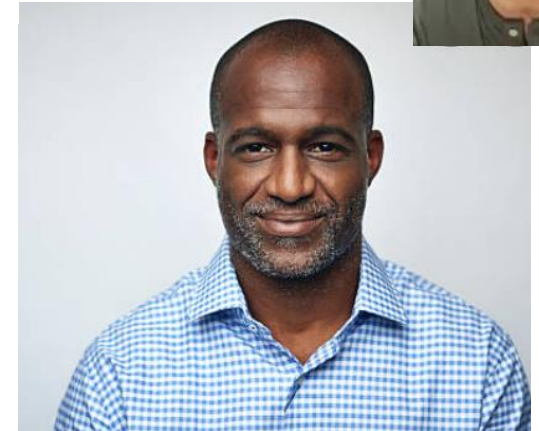
- According to the rule book, teams are to dress in "like-colored" uniforms, not identical uniforms. Uniform rules need to be enforced but please use commonsense in the Frosh and JV matches as many teams use "hand-me-down" uniforms and may have a few styles that do not match or have colors that are slightly off. **DO NOT** penalize this situation unless there are duplicate numbers. Numbers on uniforms must conform to size and be properly located on the uniform per the rule book. **The libero uniform must clearly contrast with that of the team uniform.**
- Contact the Commissioner should an entire team have illegal uniforms. However, these are often discovered at the beginning of the season and approval from the NIAA can be obtained by the school to wear the illegal uniforms. **Officials will be notified at NNVOA meetings or via email when approval for illegal uniforms has been obtained. Coaches are required to bring the NIAA approval letter with them to show officials.**
  - **There is NO LIBERO UNIFORM EXCEPTION. Each player must have a unique number - no "sharing" of numbers. Exception: Injury to libero and the team only has one uniform for a libero.**
- Uniforms shall be worn as intended by manufacturers; no folding of shorts down to reveal the mid-section or tying the shirt in a knot behind the back. Use good judgment and have the coach address the player.
- Players are not to remove any part of the team uniform or warm-up T-shirts while in the competitive area (gym) from the time officials arrive on site until the completion of the match. Players must go to the locker room or rest room to



# Arbiter

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- Logging on
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- **Profile - Photo UPDATE**
- **Blocking Dates**
- Accepting Assignments
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# Arbiter

MAIN SCHEDULE EVALUATIONS PAYMENTS **BLOCKS** [Need Help? ?](#)

Dates Travel Limits Summary

**Groups**

- 1099
- NNVOA
- NIAA
- NCAA-VB
- NAIA 360 Hub
- NAIA VB
- SNOA

**Action**

**Calendar**  
Action - "View Schedule"

**Time Range**

From 8:00 AM

To 5:00 PM

**Date Range**

From [ ] To [ ]

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Month Jul 2021

- View Schedule
- Block All Day
- Block Part Day
- Clear Blocks
- Add Notes

**You can block out days or times when you will not be available to officiate for a game - block any new group as well.**



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Action - " View Schedule"

Month **May** ▾

**Legend**

- Assigned Game
- Attached Game
- Pending Game
- Full Day Block
- Part Day Block
- Open Day

February		March 2021					April
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
28	1	2	3	4	5	6	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	
28	29	30	31	1	2	3	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

4/9/2021 - Games and Blocks

Delete Note

	Group	Games/Blocks	Status	From	To	Site/Created	Firm
	NNVOA	24809		6:00 PM	7:00 PM	Churchill County High School, Churchill Co Main Gym	<input type="checkbox"/>
	NNVOA	24810		5:00 PM	5:50 PM	Churchill County High School, Churchill Co Main Gym	<input type="checkbox"/>



# Arbiter

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- **Accepting Assignments**
  - **4 days to accept**
- Other



# Arbiter

The screenshot displays the Arbitrator software interface. At the top, a navigation bar includes 'MAIN', 'SCHEDULE', 'EVALUATIONS', 'PAYMENTS', 'BLOCKS', 'LISTS', 'REPORTS', and 'PROFILE'. Below this, a secondary bar shows 'Calendar', 'Self Assign', and 'Master Schedule'. On the left, there are sections for 'Reports' (Schedule, Outlook Export, Declined Games), 'Display' (List View, View By Day, View By Week, View By Month), and 'Legend' (Normal, Game Conflict). The main area is titled 'Schedule' and contains a table of assignments. The table has columns for Game, Notes, Position, Date & Time, Sport & Level, Site, Home, Away, Fees, and Accept/Decline. A filter dropdown is open, showing options like 'Past', 'Last Week', 'Last Month', 'Last 7 Days', 'Last 30 Days', 'This Week', 'This Month', 'Next 30 Days', 'Future', and 'Show All'. The 'Future' option is selected. The table shows three rows of assignments, with the first row highlighted in orange. The 'Site' column for the first row is circled in blue, and the 'Game' number '24840' is circled in purple. The 'Accept' and 'Decline' buttons for the first row are circled in yellow. The 'Submit' and 'Exit' buttons at the bottom right are circled in red. A red arrow points to the 'Submit' button. A red arrow also points to the 'Future' filter option. A red arrow points to the 'Need Help?' link at the top right. A red arrow points to the 'Apply Filter' button. A red arrow points to the 'Include' dropdown menu.

Game	Notes	Position	Date & Time	Sport & Level	Site	Home	Away	Fees	Accept	Decline
24840		R1	7/23/2021 Fri 5:00 PM	Volleyball, Summer League	Silver State Athletic Center, Silver State CC Ct. 1	TBA	TBA	\$0.00		
			7/27/2021 Tue 5:30 PM	Officials Rules Clinic - July 27 (Tuesday)	Scheels			\$35.00	Accept	Decline
			8/8/2021 Sun 11:00 AM	Officials Rules Clinic - August 8 (Sunday)	Scheels			\$35.00	Accept	Decline


Click to accept or decline assignments then hit “submit”




Note: [Clicking on the site](#) will display the site’s contact information and permit display of a map of the site location. Clicking on the [game #](#) will display partner information. [Under Reports click “Schedule” to print your schedule](#)

# Arbiter

## Print Schedule

**Date Range**  to  

**Export Format**  

**\* Print Schedule**



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c/o Heather Ramsey  
1364 Coachman Drive  
Sparks, NV. 89434

### Official's Game Schedule

Game	Date & Time	Sport & Level	Site	Home	Away
<b>24214</b>	<b>3/4/2021 (Thu) 6:00 PM</b>	<b>Volleyball Varsity</b>	<b>Carson High School, Carson Gym</b>	<b>Carson HS</b>	<b>Galena HS</b>
R1	<b>Ellen Townsend</b>	30 D			<b>\$110.50</b>
R2	Kira Brown	0	C: 775-267-7156		Accepted
Line Judge	Brian Kelley	0			Accepted
Line Judge	Peggy Nelson-Aguilar	0	C: 775-815-2257		Accepted
<b>24474</b>	<b>3/5/2021 (Fri) 4:00 PM</b>	<b>Volleyball Frosh</b>	<b>Sparks High School, Sparks Main Gym</b>	<b>Sparks HS</b>	<b>South Tahoe HS</b>
R1	<b>Ron Malcolm</b>	0	C: 775-722-8714		Accepted
R2	Ellen Townsend	0			<b>\$49.00</b>
<b>24475</b>	<b>3/5/2021 (Fri) 5:00 PM</b>	<b>Volleyball JV</b>	<b>Sparks High School, Sparks Main Gym</b>	<b>Sparks HS</b>	<b>South Tahoe HS</b>
R1	<b>Ron Malcolm</b>	0	C: 775-722-8714		Accepted
R2	Ellen Townsend	0			<b>\$49.00</b>
<b>24476</b>	<b>3/5/2021 (Fri) 6:00 PM</b>	<b>Volleyball Varsity</b>	<b>Sparks High School, Sparks Main Gym</b>	<b>Sparks HS</b>	<b>South Tahoe HS</b>
R1	<b>Ellen Townsend</b>	0			<b>\$76.00</b>
R2	Ron Malcolm	0	C: 775-722-8714		Accepted

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  - **Lists tab**
  - **Payroll tab**



# Arbiter

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Main Schedule Payments Blocks Lists Reports Profile

Accounts

Paysheets

Invoices

1099's

Accounts



Account #1

\$0.00



Wells Fargo Bank

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Account #1

Available Balance

\$0.00

2022/06/21

→ 2022/07/21



Transaction ID	Status	Date	Description	Amount	Available Balance
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# Arbiter

ArbiterSports

MAIN SCHEDULE **PAYMENTS** BLOCKS LISTS REPORTS PROFILE

Dashboard Paysheets Invoices 1099

Pay Official (NNVOA)

Accounts

Clicking pay will only process the first 50 selected paysheets.

Unpaid  
Paid  
All

Official Check # Date

Calculate

Print Selected Paysheets

Paid

**Paysheets**

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Townsend, Ellen	ArbiterPay	3/8/2022	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Townsend, Ellen	ArbiterPay	3/15/2022	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Townsend, Ellen	ArbiterPay	3/19/2022	

To check your  
paysheet GO  
TO PRINT  
Selected Pay  
sheets  
\*View

Print Selected Paysheets

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- Level  Date
- Game Detail
- Add & Deduct Detail
- Mail Format
- Home  Site





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**Paysheet**  
7/21/2022

c/o Heather Ramsey  
1364 Coachman Drive

**Ellen Townsend**  
**4230 Snowshoe Lane**  
**Reno, NV 89502**

**Check #:**

Game	Date & Time	Sport & Level	Position	Home	Game Fee	Travel	Total
26021	1/11/2022 3:00 PM	Volleyball, Tah-Neva/Sageb	R1	Carson MS	74.00	33.60	107.60
26104	1/24/2022 4:00 PM	Volleyball, Grade7	R1	Pershing Co. Mid	38.00	103.04	141.04
26103	1/24/2022 5:00 PM	Volleyball, Grade8	R1	Pershing Co. Mid	38.00	0.00	38.00
26061	1/25/2022 4:00 PM	Volleyball, Tah-Neva/Sageb	R1	Doral Academy	74.00	11.20	85.20
25935	1/27/2022 2:45 PM	Volleyball, Grade 7A and 7E	R1	Traner	78.00	0.00	78.00
26003	1/31/2022 2:45 PM	Volleyball, Grade 8A and 8E	R1	Shaw MS	78.00	11.20	89.20





# NNVOA Business

- **Board of Directors**
  - Gigi Abi-Habib, Chairman
  - Paul Lenae, Chairman-Elect
  - Heather Ramsey, Past President/Chairman
  - Danny McLaughlin, Vice Chairman (Training Director)
  - Megan Svare, Finance Director
  - Brian Kelly, Communications
  - Kira Brown, Member at Large-Recruitment
  - Jencie Fagan, Member at Large-Activities
- **Professionalism and Ethics**
- **Dues, Contract, NIAA Registration, W9, other**
- **How you get paid - Invoicing**
  - Match Fees and Travel Reimbursements



# Professionalism and Ethics

## OFFICIALS

- “...shall uphold the honor and dignity of the profession in **all interaction** with student-athletes, coaches....and the public.”
- “...shall exercise authority in an **impartial**, firm and controlled manner.”
- “...shall maintain an **ethical approach** while participating in forums, chat rooms, and **all forms of social media**”

## COACHES

- “...shall uphold the honor and dignity of the profession. In all **personal contact with** students, **officials**....shall strive to set an example of the highest ethical and moral conduct.”
- “...shall **not scout opponents** by any means other than those adopted by the league...”



# Professionalism and Ethics

## NNVOA OFFICIALS CODE OF ETHICAL AND PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

Northern Nevada Volleyball  
Officials Association



Adopted by the NNVOA Board of Directors, July 2018  
The NNVOA is a Sanctioned Association of the  
Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association (NIAA).



## NORTHERN NEVADA VOLLEYBALL OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION, LLC

### NNVOA Conditions of Membership

All NNVOA members are required to provide information regarding any adult criminal conviction record as described in #6 below. Before an individual is accepted as a NNVOA member, any reported convictions are reviewed by the NIAA to determine if the recency or severity or direct relatedness to officiating responsibilities and the potential of interaction with youth are pertinent. Based on that review, membership may not be permitted. As part of the membership process, upon the payment of annual dues, any reported sanctions or convictions may be reviewed anonymously by the NNVOA Board of Directors to determine if the direct relatedness of officiating responsibilities is pertinent. However, a criminal conviction does not necessarily disqualify an individual from being accepted for membership.

1. Membership in NNVOA does not guarantee match assignments.
2. I am responsible for maintaining my contact information on the NNVOA *Arbiter* website database.
3. If I am assigned to matches through the NNVOA or NIAA, I am acting as an independent contractor and not an employee of the NNVOA, Schools or NIAA.
4. I have reviewed and will comply with the *NNVOA Code of Ethical and Professional Conduct*. The original Code was published July 2016. A copy of the current Code may be obtained from the NNVOA or on the NNVOA web page ([www.nnvoa.weebly.com](http://www.nnvoa.weebly.com)). I understand that failure to abide by the Code might be grounds for sanction, up to loss or denial of membership.
5. Except as listed on an attached sheet or as previously disclosed and ruled on by the NNVOA Ethics Committee or NIAA, I certify that I have not been sanctioned by an officiating- or sport-related organization for an offense related to professional conduct resulting in a suspension or membership termination in the past 7 years.
6. Except as listed on an attached sheet or as previously disclosed and ruled on by the NIAA, I certify that I have not been found guilty, pled guilty, or pled *nolo contendere*, nor have I been arrested on a pending state or federal charge, or received deferred adjudication or other deferred sentencing for:
  - a. A felony offense regardless of the time limit.
  - b. A misdemeanor offense in the past 7 years, except for minor traffic offenses and offenses punishable by fine only.
  - c. Any crime against minor children under the age of 18.

**NOTE:** Disclosures of an offense described in a, b, or c above should be mailed to the NIAA Executive Director, 549 Court Street, Reno, NV 89501, and include a Certificate of Disposition or similar documentation from the court. Disclosures may also include a personal statement of the facts and circumstances surrounding the conviction. Before distribution to the NNVO Board of Directors, the NIAA will neutralize names and locations for anonymity.

### WORKING AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, dated \_\_\_\_\_, 2021 is by and between the  
"NNVOA " Northern Nevada Volleyball Officials Association, LLC  
3590 Grove Springs Dr.  
Sparks, NV 89436

And  
"Official" \_\_\_\_\_  
"Address" \_\_\_\_\_

**WHEREAS**, it is recognized that the purposes of the NNVOA are to promote and maintain officiating ethics; to progressively improve and elevate officiating standards; to unite all qualified officials; and to render a more efficient service to the school districts, schools, coaches, and officials; and

**WHEREAS**, the NNVOA agrees to provide contest officials and auxiliary personnel holding national, state, and local certification as required by the Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association (NIAA) and NNVOA to officiate at regularly scheduled athletic contests in connection with the school districts/schools athletic programs conducted at the various facilities in accordance with the time, date, and place negotiated by the member schools and NNVOA; and

**WHEREAS**, it is deemed that the services of Official herein specified are both necessary and in the best interest of the NNVOA, the NIAA, the school districts, the member schools and the student-athletes;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual promises, covenants, and conditions contained herein, it is understood and agreed as follows:

**1.0 PROVIDING CONTESTS:** The NNVOA agrees that all matches involving NIAA member schools will be officiated by officials of the Northern Nevada Volleyball Officials Association, LLC.

**2.0 OFFICIAL'S ACTIONS or DECISIONS:** The NNVOA and Official agree that in providing the opportunity described above, the NNVOA thereby retains no authority or right to direct or control Official's actions or decisions while in the performance of his or her duties as referee or auxiliary official.

**3.0 OFFICIAL AGREES:** Official agrees, until termination hereof, to work diligently and use his or her best efforts to provide officiating in keeping with established principles set by national associations named by the Board of Directors in the Bylaws of the NNVOA each year. Referees assigned by the NNVOA must also be a member in good standing.

Official agrees to read and keep informed of all relevant aspects in the art of officiating volleyball, keep current with respect to all rule changes, attend the current season's rules clinic, pass the current season's rules test, and complete required training and educational requirements as prescribed by the NIAA and NNVOA Board of Directors ~~pp. 24, 25~~ to perform his or her duties in accordance with all accepted standards. Referees must obtain a minimum score of 76% on the exam.

Official agrees to obtain and maintain at all times during this Agreement, personal liability, vehicle liability, and other insurance as required by state law for any and all vehicles used by Official in performing services under this agreement. Official hereby indemnifies the NNVOA from, and holds the NNVOA harmless for, any liability claims from any party arising out of any vehicle accident or injury associated with services provided by Official under this Agreement.

Official agrees to communicate electronically or digitally and within established time frames with respect to accepting assignments, complying with other NNVOA business, and submitting reports as required by the NNVOA or the NIAA.

Official agrees that the signing of this Agreement does not guarantee being assigned contests.

# NNVOA Business

## OFFICIAL Fees & Paperwork

- Association Dues \$65
  - Arbiter License, Room Rental for Meetings, Banquet, Training equipment/Supplies
- Match Fees (see contract)
  - Tourney fees vary
- Contract / Working Agreement
- Code of Professional Ethics
- Conditions of Membership
- 1099 issued by Arbiter to Official in Feb 2023

## How to get paid

- Paysheet created by Finance Director that you verify
- Email Invoice to Finance Director
- Payment schedule
  - 2Xs + end of season tournament = 3
  - 1X (2<sup>nd</sup> paysheet) + end of season = 2
  - 1X end of full season = 1
- ArbiterPay Account
  - Set up your account ASAP
  - Invoice funded
  - **YOU** transfer to your bank account



# NIAA Regulations (NAC) & NNVOA

## Officials' Uniform:

- Certified polo shirt
- Cyan (Blue), White or Gray polo shirt
  - Pink (NNVOA logo) only during October
- Black slacks
- Black shoes and socks
- Black Shorts for pre-season tourneys only
- **Whistle color = White, Black, Blue (no other colors)**
- **Lanyard color = White, Black, Cyan, Gray**
  - **Pink Whistle/Lanyard ONLY during October)**



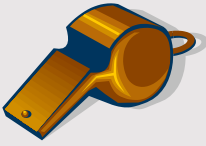
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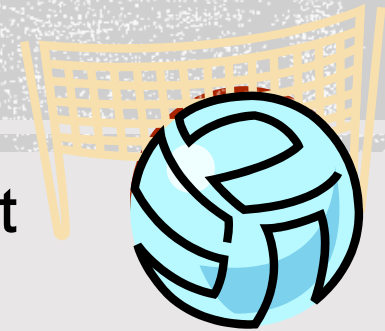
- **By state association adoption** — may be gray and/or bright blue (cyan) in addition to the traditional white polo-style shirts.
- May be short or long-sleeved.
- Must be like-colored among officials in a match.



# WRAP UP – ADDED SLIDE

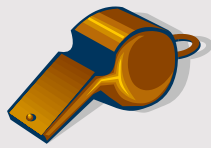


- **Exam I:** In Arbiter, must take & pass with 70% before getting assignments
- **Scrimmages: Check Arbiter....**Aug 8 –Aug 18 Arbiter will invite you to ALL scrimmages.
- **DO NOT DECLINE any scrimmage. Once you decline you cannot go back and accept it.**
- ACCEPT only those you can work
- A scrimmage will close once slots are filled. Contact Ellen if the only scrimmage you can make is full.
- NNVOA Training/Meetings – Aug 7 & Aug 28 Arbiter will invite you to all meetings. Please respond to the invite.





# WRAP UP



- **Tournaments: Check Arbiter**

- Aug 19-20: Lovelock (Var) and Smith Valley (JV)
- Aug 20: Truckee (Fr/JV) and Hug (Varsity)
- Aug 26-27: Yerington
- Sep 2-3: High Sierra (Manogue/Galena/??)
- Nov 1-5 Regional Playoffs
- Nov 11-12 State Tournaments (North=5A, 2A) (South=4A, 3A, 1A)



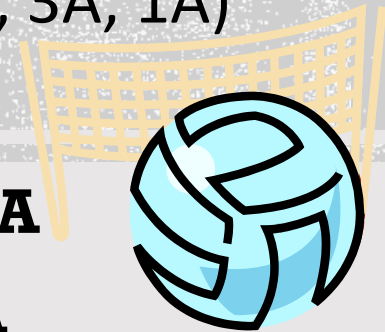
- **Next two meetings: Aug 7 and Aug 28**

- **Aug 7 in-person meeting 10am-12pm in Reno – Site TBA**

- **Aug 28 in-person meeting 4pm-6pm in Reno – Site TBA**

- Check Announcement page and READ future emails

- **Exam II to be delivered on Arbiter. Deadline Sep 11, 11:59PM**





**QUESTIONS??**



**Good Luck Everyone  
Stay safe**

**See you on the court on!**

