

# **NEW YORK STATE RULE MODIFICATIONS – 2009/2010**

## **MODIFICATIONS FOR BOY'S AND GIRL'S VOLLEYBALL** **(NEW FOR 2009/2010)**

1- **DELETE THE FOLLOWING MODIFICATION:**

The signal for a "point" (winner of a rally) will be to extend the index finger on the side of the team that will serve next.

**NEW FOR 2009/2010:** Page 186 – Signal 1

Extend the arm in the direction of the team that will serve next (palm perpendicular to the floor).

2- Page 54, Rule 11.1.3.3

"By agreement of both coaches, the length of all timeouts in a non-broadcast match may be extended from the 60-second default length to the length of a media timeout (75 seconds to 90 seconds). If both coaches do not agree to an extended length, the default of sixty seconds will be used."

**NEW FOR 2009/2010**

The length of all timeouts for high school volleyball will be sixty seconds.

3- Pages 122-124, The Libero Tracking Sheets

Note: NCAA now has new libero tracking sheet.

**NEW FOR 2009/2010**

The assistant scorekeeper will use only the NYSCVOA libero tracking sheet for tracking substitutions, replacements, and assisting the scorekeeper as necessary.

**NEW YORK STATE VOLLEYBALL MODIFICATIONS PRIOR TO**  
**2009**

- 1- Officials should arrive 30 minutes before the start of a match for regular season play. It is understood that officials will do their best to arrive as soon as possible for matches that have an early start. Officials should arrive 40 minutes before the start of a match for post-season play.
- 2- Attack line extensions are not required.
- 3- The visiting team may have their scorekeeper and libero tracker sit at the scorekeeper's table with their team's scorebook and Libero tracking sheet.
- 4- All sets of a match are 25 point sets.
- 5- Teams will switch sides at 13 points in a deciding set.
- 6- The number of team substitutions will be 18. (The head coach should be notified at the 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, and 18<sup>th</sup> substitution.)
- 7- If uniform specifications are not compliant, these procedures will be followed:
  - a. Notify the head coach of the team at fault of the violation. the team should attempt to legalize the uniform(s) of the team member(s) in question;
  - b. If the uniform(s) at fault can not be legalized, meet with the opposing coach to determine whether a protest will be filed;
  - c. If no protest is filed at that time, no future protest will be accepted on this issue during the match;
  - d. If a protest is filed, follow protest procedures and play the match.(The Libero uniform is exempt from this modification.)
- 8- An individual may have a different number when changing from a team uniform to a Libero shirt. A Libero shirt may not be passed among teammates. There should be no duplicate numbers.

- 9- NO high school students (or younger children) should be on the volleyball court participating in any type of warm-up activities or participating as a line judge unless they are wearing sneakers. These individuals should also not be wearing any jewelry.
- 10- Jewelry is NOT permitted at any time including the warm-up period. This includes "non-visible" jewelry (i.e. tongue studs). Hair ties worn on the wrist and string bracelets are considered to be jewelry.
- 11- The only type of barrette that is legal is a "flexible" barrette.
- 12- The sportsmanship card will be read at the captain's meeting the first time either referee officiates for that team and at any sectional or regional contest.
- 13- The pre-match protocol will start with the captain's meeting and be followed by shared court time. The length of the shared court time will be determined by sectional policy. There is no shared hitting or serving during any warm-up period including tournament play. The clock for the warm-up period will start at the conclusion of the captain's meeting. The clock should not be stopped unless there is an unusual situation (injury, equipment failure, safety issues).
- 14- At the conclusion of the shared court time, the visiting team will have six minutes of entire court time to be followed by six minutes for the home team.
- 15- The team that does not have the six minute period of entire court time will be allowed to warm up in their team area as long as they remain at least 2 meters from the court boundaries and do not interfere with the team that has use of the entire court.
- 16- A referee will not remove any expelled or disqualified team member from the team or spectator areas. Sanctions will be given to the head coach for any further disruptions caused by an expelled or disqualified player.

## 2009 NCAA RULE CHANGES

### **Page 15, Rule 1.3.4 – Warm-Up Area**

The location of the warm-up area will be changed to 1.75 meters (70 inches) from the court and service area.

**RATIONALE:** The previous language required the warm-up area to be 2 meters from the court and service area. The extension of the attack line ends 1.75 meters from the court, providing a standard visible mark that substitutes and referees can use to determine the limit of the warm-up area. The same measure is used to designate the area where coaches may stand during play, giving a consistent limit to non-playing team members.

### **Page 27, Rule 5.2.4.4 – Coaches & Page 56, Rule 11.2.3.2**

Coaches may make requests for substitutions, timeouts, or lineup checks from anywhere in the bench area, including the warm-up area. It remains the coach's responsibility to communicate the request clearly to the second referee, regardless of the coach's location at the time of the request.

**RATIONALE:** The previous rule language required the coach to be near the substitution zone to make requests. Coaches are frequently communicating with players or other coaches on the bench or in the warm-up area when a request is made. As long as the coach's request is clearly communicated to the referees, it should be honored.

### **Page 54, Rule 11.1.3.3 – Timeout**

By agreement of both coaches, the length of all timeouts in a non-broadcast match may be extended from the 60-second default length to the length of a media timeout (75 to 90 seconds). If both coaches do not agree to an extended length, the default of 60 seconds will be used.

**RATIONALE:** Teams may opt for consistency in timeout length for all matches, both broadcast and non-broadcast.

**NEW YORK STATE MODIFICATION – 60 SECOND TIMEOUTS!**

**Pages 80-81, Rule 17.2.2.5 and Rule 17.2.3.1 – Protest Procedure**

Additional resources may be used if needed by the referees or tournament protest committee in the case of a score discrepancy that results in a protest. In addition to a review of the scoresheet for errors and consultation with all assigned referees and scorekeepers (including the alternate official if one has been assigned), the referees or protest committee may also review information available from an official statistician if an electronic play-by-play system is in use. If that resource is not available, the referees may use information from the teams' bench statisticians or scorekeepers, provided both are in agreement as to the score and/or sequence of events.

**RATIONALE:** The previous rule language stated that only information available to the referees in resolving a score discrepancy was the scoresheet itself and first-hand knowledge of the officials. In many cases, current technology provides quick access to accurate information that may assist the officials get the correct score recorded without significant delay.

**Page 121, Scorekeeping Instructions – Tracking the Libero**

The assistant scorekeeper's (libero tracker's) duties will be expanded to include tracking the number of substitutions and the player positions.

**NEW YORK STATE MODIFICATION – USE NYSCVOA TRACKING SHEET**