

## EQUIPMENT CHECKLIST for Beach Volleyball SITE MANAGERS

**COURT:** (see USA-Volleyball Beach Rulebook for exact specifics)

**Net:** 8 or 8.5m length, 1m height,  
Top cable coated steel, lower cable coated steel or nylon

**Posts** Preferably without guy wires or sharp edges  
Post height should allow clear lines of sight for the referee  
Padded to 5' height, and with mechanism to adjust net height and tension

**Antennas:** (two per net) Plastic clamp-on style, with adjustable length, preferred.

**Court Lines:** 2" wide strap court-lines with bungeed anchors (no metal fasteners)  
→ should have a length-adjustment buckle in each of the four sides  
→ Adjustable Bungee-cords to keep the lines tight and flexible (safety)

**SAND RAKES:** (aka Landscaping Rake, aluminum, smooth top, toothed lower edge, 3' wide)

**Net-Height-Check ROD :** construct from light wood or PVC pipe, with markings at :  
WOMEN: 7'4 $\frac{1}{8}$ " (2.24m) measured at center from flattened sand  
Men: 7'11 $\frac{5}{8}$ " (2.43m) measured at center from flattened sand  
*Note that the net may be  $\frac{3}{4}$ " higher at each antenna*

**REFEREE STANDS** Mandatory equipment for all counted contests:

Points to consider:

- \* Stands that affix to the net standards (poles) are generally the most stable
- \* Adjustable platform height is preferred. (often via 8" "step-up boxes" placed onto the platform)
- \* Choose materials that are resistant to water (rust) and sand (jamming of parts)
- \* Rated Load of 250 pounds or greater is suggested
- \* Clear field of view (over the post) for the referee is an important consideration

That said, "podium ladders" (available at hardware stores) make decent low-budget referee stands.

They are :

- \* lightweight, portable, and durable, while OSHA-approved in terms of stability and strength
- \* less expensive than many other options
- \* readily available from "big-box" hardware stores (usually in stock)
- \* Platform Height of 4' off sand is appropriate (some companies call these "6-foot" work-ladders)
- \* **Homeowner stepstools are NOT acceptable!**

**NEAR COURT:**

2 portable chairs and one umbrella for each player box  
Water coolers (on court near player boxes for use during timeouts)  
"Banners" or divider nets, as possible, to contain errant balls

**GAME EQUIPMENT:**

League-Approved Beach Volleyballs  
Ball-bags or ball-carts  
Plastic bags to keep balls dry during rain  
Possibly a hair drier to dry off balls that do get wet during competition  
Visible score-boards for each court (flip style, electronic, or both)  
ball pump and ball gauge  
maintenance kit (net-crank, wrench, screwdriver, black duct tape, spare rope, etc.)

**SCORING MATERIALS:**

Storage Box (suggest plastic "hanging file" type with waterproof lid)  
Plastic Clipboards  
Pencils, pens and MECHANICAL (not paper-wrapped) grease pencils for scoring  
Forms: *(from NCAA landing page)*  
    Official NCAA Beach Volleyball Line-Up Sheets  
        Also a few Line-up Challenge Sheets in case of that eventuality  
    College Score-sheets  
        1 per match, printed both sides, plus extras just in case  
        LAMINATED scoresheets for use during rain (2 per court)  
    Statistical and results-reporting sheets as per current NCAA regulations

**ADMINISTRATIVE:**

Shade/Rain Tents for your teams.  
Also tents for a) trainers, b) referees, and c) local staff.  
"SID" Tent with electricity for computers, printers, internet hotspot  
"DJ booth" providing music and announcer supplies, with speakers on cables to spectator areas  
Ropes, weights etc. to anchor tents during wind and rain  
Folding tables and chairs for each tent

**TRAINERS**

water coolers and ice chests  
therapy tables and equipment  
first aid supplies  
radio and cell phone for emergencies  
emergency contact numbers (local urgent care, paramedics, etc.)

Electronic system ("smart" cell phone or other) for checking weather and lightning risk