OFFICIAL SITTING VOLLEYBALL RULES

2017 - 2020

To be applied in all World, International, National and League Competitions beginning after 1st June 2017

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Technical Sub-Committee
SECTION III -

DIAGRAMS
DIAGRAM 2: THE PLAYING COURT

Relevant Rules: 1.1, 1.3, 1.3.3, 1.3.4, 1.4.1, 5.2.3.4
Diagram 3: Design of the Net

Relevant Rules: 2.1.6, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5.1, 11.3.1, 11.3.2, 27.2.1.6
DIAGRAM 4: POSITION OF PLAYERS

Relevant Rules:  7.4, 7.4.3, 7.5, 23.3.2.3a, 24.3.2.2

Example A:

Determination of the positions between a front-row player and the corresponding back-row player

Example B:

Determination of the positions between players of the same row

C = centre player     R = right player     L = left player
DIAGRAM 5a: BALL CROSSING THE VERTICAL PLANE OF THE NET TO THE OPPONENT COURT

Relevant Rules: 2.4, 8.4.3, 8.4.4, 8.4.5, 10.1.1, 10.1.3, 24.3.2.7, 27.2.1.3, 27.2.1.7

= Fault
= Correct crossing
DIAGRAM 5b: BALL CROSSING THE VERTICAL PLANE OF THE NET TO THE OPPONENT FREE ZONE

Relevant Rules: 10.1.2, 10.1.2.2, 24.3.2.7

- = Fault
○ = Correct
 DIAGRAM 6: COLLECTIVE SCREEN

Relevant Rules: 12.5, 12.5.2, 23.3.2.3a

 DIAGRAM 7: COMPLETED BLOCK

Relevant Rule: 14.1.3

Ball above the net  Ball lower than the top of the net  Ball touches the net  Ball bounces off the net
DIAGRAM 8: BACK ROW PLAYER’S ATTACK

Relevant Rules: 13.2.2, 13.2.3, 23.3.2.3d, 24.3.2.4

A = Correct
B, C = Fault

Height of the ball at the moment of the attack-hit

A = Correct
B = Fault
## DIAGRAM 9: SANCTION SCALES

**Relevant Rules: 16.2, 21.3, 21.4.2**

### MISCONDUCT SANCTION SCALE

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>CATEGORIES</th>
<th>OCCURRENCE</th>
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<th>SANCTION</th>
<th>CARDS</th>
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<tr>
<td>RUDE CONDUCT</td>
<td>First</td>
<td>Any member</td>
<td>Penalty</td>
<td>Hand signal No. 6b – Red card</td>
<td>A point and service to the opponent</td>
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<td>Second</td>
<td>Same member</td>
<td>Expulsion</td>
<td>Hand signal No. 7 – Red+Yellow cards jointly</td>
<td>Player leaves playing area and stays in the penalty area for the remainder of the set</td>
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<td>Third</td>
<td>Same member</td>
<td>Disqualification</td>
<td>Hand signal No. 8 - Red+Yellow cards separately</td>
<td>Player leaves the Competition Control Area for the remainder of the match</td>
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<td>OFFENSIVE CONDUCT</td>
<td>First</td>
<td>Any member</td>
<td>Expulsion</td>
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<td>Any member</td>
<td>Disqualification</td>
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### DELAY SANCTION SCALE

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<td>DELAY</td>
<td>First</td>
<td>Any member of the team</td>
<td>Delay Warning</td>
<td>Hand signal No. 25 with Yellow card</td>
<td>Prevention – no penalty</td>
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<td>Second and subsequent</td>
<td>Any member of the team</td>
<td>Delay Penalty</td>
<td>Hand signal No. 25 with Red card</td>
<td>A point and service to the opponent</td>
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DIAGRAM 10: LOCATION OF REFEREEING CORPS AND THEIR ASSISTANTS

Relevant Rules: 3.3, 23.1, 24.1, 25.1, 26.1, 27.1

- R1 = First Referee
- R2 = Second Referee
- S/AS = Scorer/Assistant Scorer
- 1-4 = Lines Judges (numbers 1-4 or 1-2)
- 4 = Ball Retrievers (numbers 1-6)
- — = Floor Moppers
1  AUTHORISATION TO SERVE

Relevant Rules: 12.3, 22.2.1.1

Move the hand to indicate direction of service

2  TEAM TO SERVE

Relevant Rules: 22.2.3.1, 22.2.3.2, 22.2.3.4

Extend the arm to the side of team that will serve

3  CHANGE OF COURTS

Relevant Rule: 18.2

Raise the forearms front and back and twist them around the body

4  TIME-OUT

Relevant Rule: 15.4.1

Place the palm of one hand over the fingers of the other, held vertically (forming a T) and then indicate the requesting team
5  SUBSTITUTION

Relevant Rules: 15.5.1, 15.5.2, 15.8
Circular motion of the forearms around each other

6a  MISCONDUCT WARNING

Relevant Rules: 21.1, 21.6
Show a yellow card for warning

6b  MISCONDUCT PENALTY

Relevant Rules: 21.3.1, 21.6, 23.3.2.2
Show a red card for penalty

7  EXPulsion

Relevant Rules: 21.3.2, 21.6, 23.3.2.2
Show both cards jointly for expulsion
8 DISQUALIFICATION

Relevant Rules: 21.3.3, 21.6, 23.3.2.2

Show red and yellow cards separately for disqualification

9 END OF SET (OR MATCH)

Relevant Rules: 6.2, 6.3

Cross the forearms in front of the chest, hands open

10 BALL NOT TOSSED OR RELEASED AT THE SERVICE HIT

Relevant Rule: 12.4.1

Lift the extended arm, the palm of the hand facing upwards

11 DELAY IN SERVICE

Relevant Rule: 12.4.4

Raise eight fingers, spread open
12 BLOCKING FAULT OR SCREENING

Relevant Rules: 12.5, 12.6.2.3, 14.6.3, 19.3.1.3, 23.3.2.3a, g, 24.3.2.4

Raise both arms vertically, palms forward

13 POSITIONAL OR ROTATIONAL FAULT

Relevant Rules: 7.5, 7.7, 23.3.2.3a, 24.3.2.2

Make a circular motion with the forefinger

14 BALL “IN”

Relevant Rule: 8.3

Point the arm and fingers toward the floor

15 BALL “OUT”

Relevant Rules: 8.4.1, 8.4.2, 8.4.3, 8.4.4, 24.3.2.5, 24.3.2.7

Raise the forearms vertically, hands open, palms towards the body
16 CATCH

Relevant Rules: 9.2.2, 9.3.3, 23.3.2.3b
Slowly lift the forearm, palm of the hand facing upwards

17 DOUBLE CONTACT

Relevant Rules: 9.3.4, 23.3.2.3b
Raise two fingers, spread open

18 FOUR HITS

Relevant Rules: 9.3.1, 23.3.2.3b
Raise four fingers, spread open

19 NET TOUCHED BY PLAYER or SERVED BALL FAILS TO PASS TO THE OPPONENT THROUGH CROSSING SPACE

Relevant Rules: 11.4.4, 12.6.2.1
Indicate the relevant side of the net with the corresponding hand
20 REACHING BEYOND THE NET
Relevant Rules: 11.4.1, 13.3.1, 14.3, 14.6.1, 23.3.2.3c
Place a hand above the net, palm facing downwards

21 ATTACK HIT FAULT
Relevant Rules:
- by a back-row player or by a libero:
  13.3.3, 13.3.4, 13.3.5, 23.3.2.3d, e, 24.3.2.4
- on an overhand finger pass by the libero in his/her front zone or its extension:
  13.3.6
Make a downward motion with the forearm, hand open

22 PENETRATION INTO THE OPPONENT COURT or BALL CROSSING THE LOWER SPACE or THE SERVER TOUCHES THE COURT (END LINE) WITH HIS/HER BUTTOCKS or THE PLAYER SITS OUTSIDE HIS/HER COURT AT THE MOMENT OF THE SERVICE HIT
Relevant Rules: 8.4.5, 11.2.2, 12.4.3, 23.3.2.3a, f, 24.3.2.1
Point to the centre line or to the relevant line
23 DOUBLE FAULT AND REPLAY

Relevant Rules: 6.1.2.2, 17.2, 22.2.3.4

Raise both thumbs vertically

24 BALL TOUCHED

Relevant Rules: 23.3.2.3b, 24.2.2

Brush with the palm of one hand the fingers of the other, held vertically

25 DELAY WARNING / DELAY PENALTY

Relevant Rules: 15.11.3, 16.2.2, 23.3.2.2

Cover the wrist with a yellow card (warning) and with a red card (penalty)

26 LIFTING

Relevant Rules: 9.3.5, 9.4.1, 9.4.2, 24.3.2.8

Hold the hands horizontally, palms together and raise the upper palm from the lower palm
DIAGRAM 12: LINE JUDGES’ OFFICIAL FLAG SIGNALS

1 BALL “IN”

Relevant Rules: 8.3, 27.2.1.1

Point down with flag

2 BALL “OUT”

Relevant Rules: 8.4.1, 27.2.1.1

Raise flag vertically

3 BALL TOUCHED

Relevant Rule: 27.2.1.2

Raise flag and touch the top with the palm of the free hand

4 CROSSING SPACE FAULTS, BALL TOUCHED AN OUTSIDE OBJECT, OR BUTTOCKS FAULT BY ANY PLAYER DURING SERVICE

Relevant Rules: 8.4.2, 8.4.3, 8.4.4, 12.4.3, 27.2.1.3, 27.2.1.4, 27.2.1.6, 27.2.1.7

Wave flag over the head and point to the antenna or the respective line
5 JUDGEMENT IMPOSSIBLE

Raise and cross both arms and hands in front of the chest