



# Rules Governing Play

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The most current USAV Domestic Competition Rules (DCR) will be used to govern the rules of play. FIVB/ CVA rules and guidelines may be used in tournaments outside the United States.

## **THE ORGANIZATION OBSERVES THE FOLLOWING ALTERATIONS TO THE USAV DCR**

1. Players' jerseys must be marked with numbers not less than four (4) inches in height on the front and eight (8) inches in height on the back. Numbers shall be located in such a position that they are clearly visible and shall be a color contrasting to that of the jersey. Liberos shall also wear a clearly contrasting color to that of the color of their teammates that makes them easily distinguishable from the rest of their team.
2. Pursuit is not permitted. Any ball that crosses the plane of the net outside the antenna shall be a side-out.
3. If the playing surface at a facility utilizes distinct colors to differentiate the (in) playing court and the (out) free space, an edge line around the perimeter of the court is not necessary. (An attack line and a center line shall always be required.)
4. Teams must have six (6) players on the court in order to compete. If a Team becomes incomplete through disqualification or expulsion of a player the Team loses that game by default, keeping the points earned. If a Team becomes incomplete due to injury or illness that team may acquire a replacement player (who has met eligibility requirements) at, or below the division in which the team is playing in. The replacement player shall be taken from an available player from the host city with the approval of the host city's tournament director or, if none available, from a team that has already been eliminated from the tournament.
5. The Tournament Director or League Manager will decide the playing rules regarding the height of the ceiling and any overhanging objects, if there are any questions as to the ground rules prior to the start of competition. The Referees will then be instructed on what playing rules to call when the ball touches the ceiling or any overhanging object.
6. Captains must sign the scoresheet at the conclusion of the match.