

**City of Seymour Parks & Recreation Department
Women's Volleyball Rules**

**Sponsor/
Players Fee**

A fee of \$185 per team is due by the registration deadline. No partial payments will be accepted. \$95 of this fee is the actual entry fee. \$90 is players' fees for the first six players on each roster. All players' fees are now \$15, regardless of address. **NO MONEY WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE PARKS OR GYM!** No refunds after the schedules are done.

**Roster/
Waiver**

All teams must have their roster and players' fees recorded at the Parks Office before the first scheduled game. The waiver must be on record before the second scheduled game or the team will forfeit. No player is allowed to sign on more than team in the women's volleyball divisions. Additions to the roster must be paid before they take the court.

**Player
Eligibility**

Summer Season – Player must be at least 18 years of age and a high school graduate, or their class has graduated.

Winter Season – 18 year old mid-term graduates are eligible upon graduation.

Rules

IHSAA Rules are in effect unless otherwise stated.

Ball may legally “come off” any part of the body above the waist. Players can now set a serve.

Players may be under the net as long as they do not interfere with play on opposite side of the net. Players may not play a ball on the other court.

Official judgment is final on backboard, tree, wire, other court and ceiling rule.

Double hits are allowed on the first ball over the net or on a “hard hit”.

Team captain is the only person to discuss the call by official.

If blood is found on a player, blood must be covered and the bleeding stopped. Official judgment is final on time to control bleeding. The player may be removed from the game.

Players may not attack a serve. This means players may not “spike” a serve or have any swinging motion of one arm to receive a serve. A player may, however, have both hands/arms together to receive a serve.

Officials & Director will have complete authority of the match!

Points All games will be played to 21 points with a cap of 25 points. The third game will be played to 15 points with a cap of 17 points. To obtain a victory, a team must win by 2 points or score a cap point. Games are played the best two out of three. Rally scoring will be used according to IHSAA rules; which means a point is scored on each service and a “net serve” is playable”.

One time-out will be permitted per game per team.

**Player
Line Up**

Teams will consist of 3-6 players on the court. Teams must have 3 eligible players to start/continue the game. Late players may be added during the game after their team receives their serve. They will rotate in on the back row in the middle position.

Forfeit Fee **NO GRACE PERIOD!** A \$20 forfeit fee must be paid at the Parks Office before the next scheduled game. If a pre-arranged forfeit is requested, there isn't a fee if the League Director, Parks Office and opposing team are notified within 2 working days before the scheduled game. The team must still take the loss. If a team forfeits 3 times, the team is out of the league and tourney.

If a player is found guilty of ineligible play, ALL games in which the ineligible player was involved will be forfeited. There isn't a fee to inquire about player eligibility.

**Tournament
Eligibility**

Line-ups will be filled out before each match, league and tourney, for eligibility records. Only those players that are present are to be written on the line-up. New players can be added to the team's roster up until the last four (4) scheduled games of the league. No additions will be permitted after that date, even in the event of “canceled” matches due to weather or other conditions.

**Player
Rotation**

Rotation to start game, team receiving serve, after a side-out, must rotate before they make their first serve. Player may serve anywhere along the back line. Players have 5 seconds to serve after referee sounds the whistle.

Misconduct Before, during and after matches, player(s) threatening or continuously complaining or fighting of any kind, the player(s) will be removed from the league and/or tourney, or receive suspension time.

Officials and/or League Director will penalize teams with points, side-outs, removal of player(s) or forfeit match for any of the following: derogatory language, continuous complaining and/or arguing, mouthing, any kind of delay of game, slapping, throwing, or punching ball, or any kind of negative action during the game, on dead ball situations or after

the game. "Fans" can also cause team penalties for any of the above reasons and may be required to leave the facility.

Officials and/or League Director's decision is final! Player(s) will receive a 2 game suspension, not including the game in which the player(s) were removed. Anyone inflicting physical contact or causing physical abuse (other than incidental contact) against an official will be banned permanently from all leagues and tourneys operated by Seymour Parks and Recreation. The game in progress will be finished and a forfeit win goes to the opposing team at the point of incident.

Protests A protest must be made known to an official at the time the incident takes place. A written protest, accompanied by a \$50 fee, must be filed within 72 hours at the Parks Office.

Awards If there is a 2-way tie for first place, head-to-head season game will determine the champ. If three or more teams tie, points allowed will determine the champ. The same procedure with second place.

If a team with three of the same players finishes in 1st or 2nd place in two seasons for league only, the team **MUST** move up to the next high division. The two winning seasons do not have to be consecutive. The team must compete at that level for the next two seasons.

Parks and Rec and League Director will have the final say as to where they feel a team should be player (upper or lower) according to their previous season(s).

Payout for Winners: In each division with 5 or more teams, the tournament winner and tournament runner-up will receive their sponsor fee waived for their next season. Wavier must be redeemed within 12 months.

ABSOLUTELY NO CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 16 PERMITTED IN THE GYM! (WINTER LEAGUE ONLY)

Please inform all your players! It is embarrassing to both the League Director and the violator when they are asked to leave the gym. This is a rule set forth by the School Administration. Gym privileges will be lost if the rule is not followed. The captain will be told to have the responsible party leave with the child. Failure to do so will result in forfeiture of the game to the opposing team.

