

Online Rules Meetings
THE COMPLIMENTARY
ONLINE VOLLEYBALL
RULES MEETING HAS
CLOSED.

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Online Resources

NFHS Learning Center:

<http://nfhslearn.com/>

OHSAA General Sports' Regulations:

<http://www.ohsaa.org/sports/rglts/GeneralSportsRegulations.pdf>

OHSAA Volleyball

Regulations:

<http://www.ohsaa.org/sports/rglts/VB.pdf>

Volleyball Manual:

<http://ohsaa.org/sports/vb/girls/vbmanual.pdf>

NFHS Volleyball Correction Slides:

<http://www.nfhs.org/mygroup/groupview/Download?file=Files/Volleyball/Information of Interest/2015 Volleyball Correction Slides.pptx&fileName=2015 Volleyball Correction Slides.pptx>

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THIS WEEK IN VOLLEYBALL



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REMINDER OF OHSAA MODIFICATION RE. LIBERO TRACKER

An individual other than the official scorer must be provided to track the entries of the libero player. By rule, this individual should be supplied by the host school. However, in Ohio, if the host school does not use the libero player (which we suspect is not common but possible), then the libero tracker shall be supplied by the visiting school in order for the libero to be used in a match.

Although not responsible for "finding" a willing libero tracker, officials are encouraged to facilitate the process by offering instructions rather than a team being unable to play a libero because a "trained" libero tracker is not available. If in doubt, the visiting team coach is advised to check with the host school regarding this issue and then to supply someone who can track when visiting that school if a tracker is not provided.

MIDDLE SCHOOL – GRADES 7-8 VOLLEYBALL

Please be advised that it is not permissible to play a third set if one team wins the match by winning sets one and two. It has come to our attention that some leagues are authorizing this practice to permit more play. Schools should consider adding a second team, i.e., a 7th grade team or a "blue" team with a separate schedule in order to facilitate more opportunity for players at this developmental level.

ISSUING A RE-SERVE

The OHSAA continues to receive questions about issuance of a re-serve. Rule 8-1-5 notes each player may have only one re-serve during a team's term of service. 8-1-6 says a re-serve shall be called when a server releases the ball for service, then catches it or drops it to the floor. The R1 cancels the serve, shows the replay signal and directs a second/last attempt with 5 seconds for the re-serve.

Since a re-serve is considered a part of a single attempt to serve, after the R1's signal for service, no requests (e.g., time-out, service order, lineup, substitution, libero replacement, etc.) may be recognized until after the ball has been served.

The R1 shows "two thumbs up, and then directs the scorer to record the re-serve since a second re-serve in the same term of service is penalized as an illegal serve. When a re-serve occurs, the referees must deny either team's request for substitution or time-out, lineup check or identification of correct server and not allow a libero replacement.

Case Book 8.1.6 Situation B covers service actions where a server releases the ball, which may or may not result in a re-serve. After the R1's signal for serve, the server (a) swings and misses the tossed ball; (b) swings, misses and the ball contacts her shoulder; (c) lets the tossed ball drop to the floor; (d) catches a bad toss; (e) tosses the ball, then lets it drop without swinging at it, but it touches the server's knee as it drops to the floor. Ruling: (a), (c), (d) and (e), re-serve; (b) illegal serve, point/loss of rally. Comment: In (b), if the ball had not touched the server, but dropped to the floor, it would have been a re-serve; (e) no attempt was made to serve the ball.

Understanding this guidance will help referees properly handle re-serve situations. While there is no additional guidance regarding how quickly the R1 should authorize the re-serve, by practice, this typically occurs as soon as the server has ball in hand in the service zone. If a player goes back to serve, then realizes she is not the correct server or needs to buy time, she may simply toss the ball and let it drop, be issued a reserve, and a teammate who is on the court may move to the service zone, secure the ball and serve within 5 seconds. During a re-serve, given that substitutions and libero replacements are not permitted, the same six players must remain on the court during the re-serve. No one may enter or exit the court until the rally is concluded.