Draw Meeting

OCTOBER 11, 2015.

The stateside seeding and draw meeting for volleyball is scheduled for Sunday, October 11 at 2:00 PM. Please be sure to follow all instructions from vour sectional manager/District Athletic Board regarding seeding and attendance at the meeting. Failure to seed as instructed and/or attend the meeting shall cause your school to be fined \$150.

Online Resources

NFHS Learning Center: http://nfhslearn.com/ **OHSAA General Sports'** Regulations:

http://www.ohsaa.org/sports/rg Its/GeneralSportsRegulations.p df

OHSAA Volleyball Regulations: http://www.ohsaa.org/sports/rglt s/VB.pdf

Volleyball Manual:

http://ohsaa.org/sports/vb/girls/v bmanual.pdf

NFHS Volleyball Correction Slides:

http://www.nfhs.org/mygroup/gr oupview/Download?file=Files/V ollevball/Information of Interest/2015 Volleyball Correction

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THIS WEEK IN VOLLEYBALL

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COACHES BEWARE

The OHSAA has had a strong relationship with the Ohio Valley Region of USA Volleyball for many years. A check of the OVR website at www.ovr.org reveals that many of the personnel involved with this national governing body have been involved in the interscholastic volleyball program in Ohio. Therefore, those individuals, such as Bob Price, Commissioner and President of OVR and a former high school coach, are quite familiar with and supportive of the mission of education-based athletics. They, along with our staff, have a vested interest in maintaining this strong relationship AND, even more important, protecting student eligibility. To that end, USAVB clubs in the Ohio Valley Region do not begin their tryouts, practices, training for the club season until after the interscholastic season has concluded. This practice helps our interscholastic participants to avoid situations that create an eligibility problem.

The interscholastic rules prohibit a volleyball player, while she is participating for her school in the sport of volleyball, from participating in any volleyball contest, a tryout or any type of team or group training (advanced repetitive sessions??) or practices with a non-school team. We have received reports that some non-school programs and clubs, in order to get a "jump on the competition," are conducting these training sessions or tryouts or groups instruction before our interscholastic season has concluded. Please reinforce AGAIN with your students and their parents that volleyball athletes must wait to participate in these non-school programs until after they have played in their final contest for your school!

CHECK YOUR SCHEDULE

It is my strong desire to eliminate the necessity of removing a high school volleyball team from the OHSAA tournaments for exceeding the contest limitations. Coaches, please check now, before the end of the season to ensure that you have scheduled and will play NO MORE THAN 22 matches. If there are any questions on this limitation, please see your athletic administrator or give me a call at the office.

WHEN IN ROME?

A contest official suggested to me that perhaps we should permit schools to abide by the rules of another state association when playing outside the state of Ohio a' la "when in Rome...." I advised the official that schools that are members of the OHSAA are bound to abide by all eligibility bylaws, sports regulations and contest limitations no matter where they are playing a contest. This concept is applicable in spite of the notion that a school or an official might feel that our schools are disadvantaged by playing a school(s) that does not follow the same rules. And that might be true. However, the solution to that problem is simply not to schedule schools that do not follow the same rules that Ohio schools do. There is no relief from the Board-adopted rules just because the OHSAA member school is competing outside the state of Ohio.

PLAY SITUATION

The coach of Team R, which has used all time-outs, approaches the R2 and wants to call a time-out. (a) The coach makes the move toward the R2 and the R2 quickly waves the coach back with no interruption in the progress of the set as the coach immediately returns to the team bench. (b) The coach moves toward the R2 and requests a time-out. The R2 knows there are no time-outs, does not whistle and comments to the coach about the certainty of his/her request and the coach returns to the bench. The R2 has an unnecessary delay for the brief slowdown in the progress of play. (c) The coach requests a time-out, which is granted, and the teams report to their bench and the scorer then tells the R2 this is a third time-out. The R2 whistles to end the interruption of the progress of the set and immediately sends the teams to the court. It is an unnecessary delay but is an immediate administrative red card (loss of rally/point) as play was significantly delayed. RULING: Correct procedures. **COMMENT:** There are a number of situations that result in an unnecessary delay; requesting a third time-out is but one. If there is no delay, or a brief delay Rule 9-9-1 applies and the first offense is an administrative yellow card. However, if the coach requests and is initially granted a third or subsequent time-out, this is a direct loss of rally/point with an administrative red card as all progress of the set is halted. This is a direct action of the coach of which he/she has full control. The coach has been informed by the referees of the team's time-out status as well as having this responsibility for his/her team. (Rules 9-9-1 and 11-2 Penalty No. 2)

