

## Online Rules Meeting

### **THE ONLINE VOLLEYBALL RULES MEETING HAS CLOSED.**

If your school has not attended, your team shall not be able to play in the OHSAA tournament.

Officials who have not participated shall be suspended in 2016.

# THIS WEEK IN VOLLEYBALL



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## LEGAL UNIFORMS

The volleyball rules are quite specific as to what can appear on the uniform, which is considered the jersey and the shorts or whatever bottom the student is wearing. Please remember that this sport permits players to wear shorts, a skirt, long pants, tights, etc. as long as all teammates are wearing like-colored bottoms. The style can be different for different players, which allows accommodation for persons who cannot wear shorts or bottoms comprised of spandex without seeking a waiver.

NFHS rules in all sports, volleyball included, restrict the size of any manufacturer's logo, trademark, reference to no more than 2 ¼ " square with no dimension greater than 2 ¼ " Only one of these logos or name is permitted on each piece of the uniform. Students wearing shorts that bear the manufacturer's name on the waistband which is visible are wearing an illegal uniform. The penalty for an illegal uniform is the player cannot participate until the uniform is made legal. If the whole team is wearing illegal uniforms, the match may be played beginning with a point to the opponent to begin, and the R1 shall notify this office of the problem. Coaches, please do not attire your students in illegal uniforms. Officials, please enforce all playing rules all the time so we have no problems as we proceed to the tournaments.

## CLARIFICATION FROM NFHS VOLLEYBALL WEBINAR – SEPTEMBER 14, 2015

On September 14, 2015 Director of Development for Volleyball Officiating, Diane Plas, Volleyball Official Rick Brown and Sport Administrator, Deborah Moore participated in a nationwide volleyball webinar sponsored by the NFHS. The following are some guidance regarding the rules.

1. Clarified the penalty sequence for a player found to be wearing illegal equipment in the set or attempting to enter the set: the team is assessed unnecessary delay, and the player must come out of the set via a legal substitution if found while on the court – The player cannot enter/re-enter the set until the equipment is removed or made legal. The team can use a timeout to "buy" a player's entry provided the equipment can be made legal within that time frame. The first illegal equipment delay is an administrative YUD. Subsequent equipment violations by the same team during the same set will be an administrative RUD.
2. Penalty for inaccurate roster (correcting a roster) – Penalty point awarded to opponent who will serve first to start the match (therefore, no change from past years' rules).
3. Extended intermissions – Ohio will not permit this unless there is a special recognition or promotion as the reason for the intermission.
4. Spirit wordings such as "We Are" (on one sleeve) "The Vikings" (on the other sleeve) does not comply with OHSAA uniform rules and are therefore not permissible. Only the mascot name or logo or the school name are permitted.

## BOUNDARY LINES

Rule 2-1-2 recommends that all boundary lines be of ONE clearly visible color contrasting to the color of the floor and other lines on the floor. This rule recommendation refers to the use of ONE color and is not a recommendation regarding the visibility of the lines. Thus, if a line passes through a part of the floor that may be a different color, the school may use a different color for that part of the line.

In addition, it is expected that all other court marking adhere to the rules which stipulate CONTINUOUS and also mandate how wide those lines shall be. Twenty years ago when schools balked at placing a continuous line through the center court due to concern about defacing a school mascot, the rules in volleyball and basketball changed to allow for a "shadow border" and different colors but still requiring a continuous line. If schools cannot provide these lines on the court permanently, the school shall put down temporary markings which can be removed once the match is complete. This court tape should not do any damage to the floor, but it is inconvenient to take it up and put it back down continuously during the season.

Just as with all other sports requiring boundary lines, volleyball must adhere to the rules as written.

## NEW VIDEO MODULE AVAILABLE

Libero Replacement Video:

<https://www.hightail.com/download/bXBhTG0wNkdkMnM5WThUQw>

Password is GAVOA3

## 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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