



City of Kentwood Parks and Recreation Department

2024 Adult Beach Volleyball League Rules and Regulations

Under extenuating circumstances, the Kentwood Parks and Recreation Department reserves the right to amend all rules for the best interest and safety of the entire recreational atmosphere of the league.

General League Information

1. Team rosters are to be submitted and all fees are to be paid before the first date of each league season. Failure to do so will result in the forfeiture of all games until submission of both items is completed.
2. No portion of a player's fee or entry fee will be refunded after a player/team is placed in a league.

League Format

1. All players must be 18 years of age or older to participate in the Adult Soccer Leagues. Please bring identification to all games.
2. There is no roster limit for teams; this roster must be turned in prior to the start of the first game. All other roster additions must be sent to barnums@kentwood.us by 1:00pm on the day of the scheduled game.
3. Each team will play an (8) week schedule, (2) weeks of forfeits will result in league dismissal.
 - a. 5 minutes late, your team will forfeit the match. 10 minutes late, your team will forfeit the game.
 - b. All forfeit winners will be logged with (3) match scores of 18-0.
4. League schedules will be e-mailed to team managers at the beginning of the season; the schedule and standings will be available online throughout the season at Kentwood.us/schedules.
5. Leagues are self-officiated by players; any disagreements on a call will be an automatic replay.
 - a. Calls are made on the honor system; we appreciate your good sportsmanship.

Roster Substitutes

1. Substitutes should be of equal or lesser playing level than the person they are subbing for.
2. Players should only play on one team per league unless otherwise agreed upon prior to starting play by both team managers.
3. New substitutes are not permitted during playoffs or tournaments unless pre-approved by the Kentwood Parks and Recreation sports coordinator.

Equipment

1. Kentwood Parks and Recreation Department will supply game balls; teams are welcome to bring game balls as well. Both team captains should agree upon the game ball before the start of the game.

Match Play

1. All rules will follow current USA Volleyball rules unless otherwise noted.
2. Teams listed on the schedule first will serve first for games 1 and 3; the other team will serve first in game 2.



3. Best two out of three games determine the match winner, however the third game is still played for overall standings. Games 1, 2, and 3 are played to 18 points with rally scoring system. Team must win by two points; cap of 20.
4. Time Outs - Teams are allowed one 30-second time out per game. No extended breaks are to be taken during or in-between games.
5. Tournament Scoring – Best two out of three games determine match winner. Game 3 is only played to 15 with a cap of 17.
6. Verifying Scores – It is the team captain’s responsibility to report their scores to the site supervisor and to initial next to the scores to ensure they are correct. Failure to verify your scores will forfeit any right to dispute the score at any future time.
7. Teams will switch sides after each game.
8. In / Out – If the ball touches the tape, it is considered in.
9. Contact with Net – No part of the body may touch the net at any time unless a ball or person driven into the net causes the contact. Contact with hair or part of the player’s clothing will not be considered a fault.
 - a. If opponents contact the net simultaneously, it will constitute a double fault and the point will be replayed.
10. Attacking the ball over the Opponent’s Court – A player is not allowed to attack the ball on the opposite side of the net.
 - a. If the ball is hit above the spiker’s side of the net and then the follow-through causes the spiker’s hand and arm to cross the net without contacting the net, the action does not constitute a fault.
11. Blocking – Blocking does not constitute as a team touch; the team that performed the block will have 3 touches after the blocking contact.
12. Serving – Net serves are legal and should be played as if it didn’t touch the net.
 - a. There is no attacking the serve.
 - b. Any contact with the line during the serve is considered a foot fault.
13. Setting and Tipping – There is not setting the serve, setting over the net, or open hand tipping over the net.
14. Ball Touches
 - a. The ball may be played with any part of the body. The ball must be touched or contacted cleanly and not held, thrown, pushed, lifted, or carried.
 - b. Lifts, double hits, and carries are illegal.
15. Co-Ed Rules
 - a. Teams may not have more than 2 males on the court at the same time.
 - b. When a ball is played more than once by a team, one of the contacts must be made by a female player.

Player Conduct

1. Team managers are responsible for any misconduct among their players and spectators.
2. Players and/or team managers may be put on probation, suspended, carded or game may be forfeited if conduct is considered undesirable to the welfare of other players, site supervisors, or spectators.



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3. Physical violence of any kind will not be tolerated.
 - a. Fighting is not tolerated in any adult sports league. Individuals involved in a fight will be immediately ejected from the game. Additionally, the game will be considered a forfeit to both teams.
4. Kentwood Parks and Recreation staff reserve the right to now allow a team or player to participate in any game or league for any reason.
5. Pets must be always on a 6-foot leash and cannot be left unaccompanied during the game at any point.
6. No smoking of marijuana will be allowed on any city property. If caught smoking on the stated property, the player(s) will be ejected. This applies to team spectators as well.

Any player or team who fails to follow the player conduct rules listed above, will be disciplined accordingly, and may be ejected from the game and asked to leave the premises or game may be forfeited.

Referees and Site Supervisors

1. Kentwood Parks and Recreation will supply one site supervisor at each field location.
2. The site supervisor is officially in charge of the courts and are empowered to discipline and/or eject players, team managers, and spectators from the game or premises for violation of any of the above rules and regulations.

Weather

1. In case of weather-related issues or cancellations, emails will be sent to team managers by 4:45pm of each game day. Cancellations will also be recorded on the weather line at 656-5280.
2. Games will be played in the event of a severe thunderstorm watch.
3. Games will be cancelled in the event of a severe thunderstorm warning, tornado watch, or tornado warning.
4. Site supervisors have the power to postpone or cancel games due to inclement weather after the start of game time.
5. All cancelled games will be rescheduled for the end of the season if there are no conflicts. In the event of a conflict, games will be rescheduled for a night other than the regular league night.