

**2006-2007 DOMESTIC COMPETITION REGULATIONS**  
**SIGNIFICANT RULE CHANGES AND CLARIFICATIONS**

**Rule Changes/Additions/Deletions:**

**USAV Rule 1.1b**

Add USAV 1.1b to state: For nationally sanctioned competition and recommended for all other competitions, 7 m (23') is the minimum free playing space (ceiling height).

**USAV Rule 1.4.4**

Add USAV Rule 1.4.4 to state: The warm-up area is at the end of the bench or bench area, and subs must not interfere with play or the officials' duties.

**USAV Rule 2.1**

The net heights for age group play were changed (Women's 60+ reduced to 2.13 m (7.0') from 2.19 m (7'2 1/8"); Men's 70+ reduced to 2.29 (7'6") from 2.38 m (7'9 5/8").

**USAV Rule 4.3.1**

Change the first sentence to read: "The color and design for the jerseys and shorts must be uniform for the team (except for the Libero).

**USAV Rule 5.2.3.4:**

Deleted.

**USAV Rule 7.5.4.2**

Renumbered to USAV 7.5.4 and added the following underlined wording: "If the positional fault is discovered before the opponent's serve, all points scored subsequent to the fault must be cancelled. In addition, all timeouts taken by the team not at fault, as well as substitutions and team sanctions charged to either team subsequent to the commission of the positional fault, must be cancelled. Individual misconduct sanctions assessed to either team, and timeouts taken by the team at fault, are not cancelled. If the points scored while the player was out of position cannot be determined or the opponents have served, then a loss of rally is the only penalty charged. The opponents retain any points scored.

### **USAV Rule 7.7.2**

Add the wording that is underlined and delete the last sentence: If the rotational fault is discovered before the opponent's serve, all points scored subsequent to the fault must be cancelled. In addition, all timeouts taken by the team not at fault, as well as substitutions and team sanctions charged to either team subsequent to the commission of the rotational fault must be cancelled. Individual misconduct sanctions assessed to either team and timeouts taken by the team at fault are not cancelled. If the points scored while the player was out of rotation order cannot be determined or the opponents have served, then a loss of rally is the only penalty charged. The opponents retain any points scored.

### **USAV Rule 9.2.3.2:**

Deleted.

### **USAV Rule 11.1.2:**

Deleted.

### **USAV 12.3**

Add rule that states, "Authorization for service shall occur when the server is on the playing area."

### **USAV 12.4.3**

Add rule that states, "The entire service action must take place within the playing area."

### **USAV Rule 17.1.1**

Add USAV Rule 17.1.1 to state, "If the injured player cannot continue playing within 30 seconds, the player must be replaced by substitution, or the team must take a legal timeout if the player is to remain in the game."

### **USAV Rule 19.1.2**

Delete the second sentence, which states, "The Libero's number must be indicated on the line-up sheet for each set."

### **Editorial Clarifications:**

1. For Rule 1.3.4, the wording is changed to state: For FIVB World and Official Competitions, the attack line is extended by the addition of broken lines from

the sidelines, with five 15 cm (6") short lines 5 cm (2") wide, drawn 20 cm (8") from each other to a total length of 1.75 m (70").

2. For USAV Rule 1.3.4, the wording is changed to state: For nationally sanctioned competitions, the extensions of the attack lines outside the court are required as described above. These markings are optional for all other events.
3. For USAV Rule 2.2, the wording is changed to state: At its top horizontal band, 5 to 7 cm (2" to 2 3/4") wide, made of two-fold white canvas, is sewn along its full length.
4. For Rule 3.1, the wording is changed to: Its circumference is 65-67 cm (25.6" to 26.4") and its weight is 260-280 g (9 to 10 oz.).
5. For Rule 4.1.1, the wording is changed to reflect the FIVB wording: A maximum of 12 players and four coach/staff personnel are allowed.
6. For USAV Rule 4.1.1a, the wording is changed to: Players are the team members on the team court. Substitutes are team members in uniform who are not in the starting line-up of a game. The second paragraph is deleted.
7. For USAV Rule 4.5.1, the statement is changed to "A flat band ring worn on the finger..."
8. For USAV 9, the wording is changed to: The ball may be retrieved from beyond the free zone when the surface change is 1.25 cm (1/2") or less, the secondary surface is lower than the free zone and the area is free of obstructions.
9. For USAV Rule 15.1, the wording is changed to correct the rule reference: See USAV 15.6 for limitations of substitutions under USAV Domestic Competition Regulations.
10. For USAV Rule 15.10.4a, the wording is changed to: "If a request is made for multiple substitutions and not all subs are legal, the legal sub(s) is allowed and the other(s) are denied with the appropriate sanction assessed.
11. For USAV Rule 19.3.3.1, wording changed to: "The player thus re-designated as Libero must remain as Libero for the remainder of the match."
12. For USAV Rule 24.3.2, the rule reference is corrected to USAV Rule 24.3.1.
13. In the Guidelines for Conducting Indoor Tournaments/Leagues, the wording was changed to (Section J.2): The officials for each match at major

tournaments include a first referee, second referee, scorer, assistant scorer, time-keeper/visible scoreboard operator and two line judges.

14. In the Instructions for the Use of Official Indoor Volleyball Scoresheets, under Tracking the Libero, the following change was made in the sixth paragraph: In USA Volleyball play, the Libero may not be designated as captain. The balance of the paragraph is then deleted.