CITY OF CLOVIS RECREATION YOUTH VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE RULES AND REGULATIONS

Summer II 2025

Outcomes of the Program:

- To teach skills, build character, and have fun.
- To have fair play and sportsmanship!
- We can have fun by building character through teaching skills. Remember: This is a positive learning experience. SHOUT PRAISE, WHISPER CRITICISM!!!

The City of Clovis Recreation reserves the right to modify these rules at any time. California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) rules for the current year will be used for all games with the following exceptions:

Divisions are designated as such 12 & UNDER

I. GAME TIME

- A. Matches will have a 2 out of 3 set (game) structure.
- B. The number of points needed to win the first two sets of the match will be 25. In the case of a third set, the number of points required to win is also 25. The first to win two sets wins the match. To win each set, a team must win by two points or more. The cap of a set to win is set to 30.
- C. There will be (2) minutes between sets. Score will be measured by the scorekeeper.

II. REQUIRED PLAYING TIME

- A. The required playing time is controlled by the substituting out after rotation.
- B. All players must report to the scorer's table before they are allowed into the game.

III. TIME OUTS

- A. Each time out will be one (1) minute in length. Unused time outs do not carry over to the next set or fifth set (if needed).
- B. Each team will be allowed one (1) time out per set.

IV. FORFEIT OF GAME

A. A team must have at least five (5) eligible players ready to play by five (5) minutes after the scheduled game time. Failure to do so will result in a forfeit of the game. If a team loses a player (injury, disqualification, etc.) and the total number of players on the team that are eligible to play is less than five the game will be called. Teams may utilize the remaining time to scrimmage or practice; however, officials and scorekeeper will not be permitted to work.

V. **GAMEPLAY**

- A. If a serve does not travel over the net and between the out-of-bounds antennas, the server is awarded a second attempt.
- B. The second serve attempt is only awarded on the first serve. If a player is successful on their first serve, this rule no longer applies to their remaining serves.
- C. A server may score a maximum of three points per rotation. Once three points have been scored by the same server, possession of the ball automatically goes to the opposing team.
- D. A backrow player cannot attack the ball from a jump in front of the 10-foot line.

VI. ROTATIONS & DEFENSE

A. A normal rotation is required, (three in the back row, three in the front row). The defensive positions are up to the coach as long as the players are in the correct positions before the serve.

VII. DRESS CODE

- A. Players must wear the uniform provided by the City of Clovis Recreation.
- B. Uniforms should be tucked in, and shorts should be worn properly (on the hips).
- C. If a player wears a T-shirt underneath their jersey, it should be the same/similar color of the main color of the jersey.
- D. Garments worn underneath the volleyball shorts (i.e. boxers, compression shorts, etc.) must not exceed beyond the length of the volleyball shorts and must be same/similar color to the color of the basketball shorts.
- E. If there are two teams wearing like-colored uniforms, the team listed as the visiting team will wear an inverted jersey.
- F. Headgear for medical, cosmetic, or religious reasons may be permitted, provided it is not abrasive, hard, or dangerous, to any other player and which is attached in such a way it will come off during play. The Recreation staff, or official(s) will rule on any headgear.

VIII. **EQUIPMENT**

- A. **Under 12's** An official Tachikara Volley-Lite will be used as the game ball. The height of the net will be set to 7' (seven feet).
- B. The City of Clovis Recreation will supply game balls and other necessary supplies for use during the games.

IX. COACHES CONDUCT

- A. Coaches are very important role models for children in athletics. It is the coaches' responsibility to develop self-esteem, confidence, sportsmanship, and a positive attitude in the children that he/she coaches. A goal of The City of Clovis is to have all the coaches working within our programs setting good examples.
- B. Coaches should always keep their tempers in control and watch their conduct around the children. This includes practices, games, meeting, or any other City of Clovis Recreation activity. The City of Clovis Recreation will take whatever actions necessary to ensure that all coaches display proper conduct.

- C. Any Coach who is ejected from a game will also be suspended during the team's next scheduled game. Also, the right to coach a future team can be denied. (To be determined by The City of Clovis Recreation).
- D. Coaching box is the Length of the Bench if a Coach goes out of this box, he/she may be subject to a technical foul.
- E. If coaches display unsportsmanlike conduct during a game, they will be given a technical foul after the first warning. **Yelling at officials, players, or staff will NOT be tolerated.**

X. SPECTATORS CONDUCT

- A. If parents or spectators from a particular team display unsportsmanlike conduct during a game, their team will be given a technical foul on the bench. It is important that coaches explain this to their parents/spectators. **Yelling at officials, players, or staff will NOT be tolerated**. Coaches need to help keep parents/spectators cheering for the players and not yelling at officials so as not to take away from the child's experience.
- B. Spectators are permitted to sit on designated bleachers along each baseline Spectators are not allowed to sit, stand or pace along other areas of the court including the sideline opposite of team beaches.

XI. **PROTESTS**

Every attempt should be made to handle the situation before filing an official protest with The City of Clovis Recreation.