

CO-ED VOLLEYBALL RULES

The tournament will be double elimination except that the survivor of the winner's bracket will only play one game against the survivor of the loser's bracket.

- I. All players must be GOYA members, listed on the team roster and attending 6th through 12th grades.
- II. Players from high school junior varsity or varsity teams may play if permitted by State Rules and if written permission is granted by the coach of the player's school and signed by the school principal.
- III. Uniforms – Each team member must have matching shirts. Each team member must wear proper athletic shoes. Players will not be allowed to play in running shoes, street shoes or barefoot.
- IV. Each GOYA Chapter must have the Diocese Release Waiver signed by the youth's parent in order for that youth to participate in an athletic event.
- V. Each GOYA Chapter should have one person available to work the scorers' table for games in which their team is playing.

VI. VOLLEYBALL RULES: High School Rules except as noted below:

- A. All volleyball matches will be the best of 2 out of 3 games. The third game will be played under the rally scoring format with a point scored on each serve.
- B. The game scoring will be to 15 points, winning by 2 points; however, there will be a cap of 17 points on all games except for the Championship Match. In the Championship Match, all games must be won by 2 points.
- C. Each team will have 2 time-outs per game. Each time-out is 30 seconds.
- D. Substitution will occur at the middle back row position following the service position. Substitution will be unlimited. Once in the game, a player must rotate through all positions before coming out of the game. All players must be in each game for at least 6 total points or one complete rotation with exceptions for injury and discipline.
The spirit of the competition is that everyone on the team is important and all should participate.
This "must play" rule will be monitored by the scorers' table and could result in forfeiture of the match.
- E. All matches are to begin at the posted times. If a match runs long, 5 minutes will be allowed to the next competing teams for warm-up.
- F. Red Cards – If a player receives 2 red cards throughout the tournament, she will be restricted from further participation at that point. If a coach receives 2 red cards throughout the tournament, the match will be forfeited at that point and there will be no further participation by that team. If the second red card occurs in the Championship Match, that match is forfeited and the team is eliminated from the awards ceremony.
- G. All decisions of the game officials are final.

H. Forfeiture:

1. If a team fails to field at least 5 players within 10 minutes of the official start of the match, that team will forfeit the match.
2. If a team plays any part of a match with a player who is ineligible in any way, that team will forfeit that match.
3. If a team disregards the "must play" rule, that team will forfeit the match.
4. Good Sportsmanship is a primary requirement at the Volleyball Tournament. Cursing, disrespect and other demonstrations of poor sportsmanship will not be tolerated. Game officials will be instructed to issue red cards to the offending players, teams and coaches.