

# Craven County Recreation & Parks Adult Beach Volleyball League Rules

## **Start of Game**

- 1. Game will begin with a coin toss; the winning team will get choice of first serve, receiving or the side of the net to defend in the first game.
- 2. Teams will switch sides and first possession in the second game.
- 3. In the case of a third set another coin toss will occur, teams will switch sides in the third set only, after a team has scored 8 points.

# **Players**

- 1. Teams are to be comprised of four players on the court at once.
- 2. Three players are required to start and continue a match without forfeit.
- 3. In Co-Rec play, team must be comprised of 2 men and 2 women; or any combination of 2/1.
- 4. All players must be 14 years or older

# **Match Length**

- 1. Matches will consist of a best 2 out of 3 game series.
- 2. The first two games in will be played to 21 rally scored with no cap.
- 3. If a third game is required, it will be played to 15 rally scored.
- 4. The match length will not exceed 45 minutes in length.

### **Rules**

- 1. Player Positions
  - a. At the time of service all players must be inside the boundaries of the court.
  - b. Players do not have to play in set positions or rotate.
  - c. Players must maintain the same service order throughout the match.
  - d. If a player is substituted for, he/she must return to the same spot in the service order.

### Service

- a. A legal serve will take place from behind the team's end line anywhere inside the sidelines.
- b. Serving player must remain behind the end line until the ball has been served. If player serves in the air, he/she can land on or inside the line.
- c. A legal serve must cross over the net; a legal serve can touch the net on the way over.
- 3. Play at Net
  - a. Player contact with the net, interfering with the play is prohibited.
  - b. In blocking, a player may touch the ball beyond the net provided that he/she does not interfere with opponent's play.
  - c. A player may cross under the net provided it does not interfere with opponent's play.
  - d. Attacking the serve is prohibited.
- 4. The Line
  - a. The line is IN play.

A complete listing of USA Volleyball Beach Volleyball Rules can also be found at: <a href="https://ncva.com/downloads/Referee%20Rule%20Book%20-%20Outdoor.pdf">https://ncva.com/downloads/Referee%20Rule%20Book%20-%20Outdoor.pdf</a>