

TOURNAMENT RULES

1. **Eligibility:** Teams must comprise students who are enrolled as Year 9 or 10 students at the school on the first day of the Tournament and who are under the age of 15 years as at the 1st of January 2008. Year 11 students of any age are **NOT** eligible to participate.
2. **Uniforms:** Must be worn, in the same colours and design. **Numbers must be worn front and back.** Shorts must be of a uniform colour.
If two or more sets of uniform are used, players will be required to wear the identical numbers for each set of shirts. Shirt numbers must be clearly visible for identification by spectators, selectors and scorers.
3. **Warm-ups:** **Must not** interfere with games in progress, general warm-up must be done outside. Court warm-up time begins ten minutes prior to the time stated in the draw for the commencement of the game or at the conclusion of the proceeding game if this has run over time. It consists of three minutes ball skills (both teams) and three minutes on net each (total nine minutes). Warm-ups on the side of the court are **NOT** to include the use of balls.
4. **Defaults:** A team defaults if six players are not present at the commencement of the game. The First Referee is responsible for ensuring games commence on time.
5. **Scoring: point rally.** All matches are best of three sets to 25 points, with at least a two point winning margin required in each set.
6. **Property:** Do not leave personal property lying around. The Sports Director's Office cannot accept responsibility for any missing property.
7. **Protest:** If any incident occurs which a team manager considers is worthy of protest the game is to be stopped and a verbal protest made to first referee, together with a payment of \$20. This will be refunded if the protest is upheld.
The match will then be stopped and the Chief Referee called to adjudicate.
8. **Certificates:** Will be presented to the first three teams in each competition. A Tournament team and MVP will also be announced at the end of the tournament, with certificates presented. Full results and any uncollected certificates will be sent to schools as soon as possible after the event.
9. **Medical:** Each teams own responsibility. Ice treatment will be available.
10. **Team sheets** are to be completed by team managers and handed to the Tournament Controllers prior to the playing of the first game of the Tournament. Please be careful with spelling as certificates will be produced from these.
11. **Substitutions:** The 12 sub rule will apply.
This means that a player can enter the court only 3 times per set. No Libero allowed
12. **Serving rule:** A player serving may have only one attempt: they have 8 seconds to attempt a serve. This means that if they have tossed or released the ball they must hit it; they cannot let it drop and then have another go. Referees

should ensure that if a player does drop or bounce the ball, it is definitely a service attempt and not merely a part of an unusual service routine.

13. **Venue Cleanliness:** to assist with venue cleanliness every team is expected to provide:

A court towel to be used for spillages

A drink bottle holder, to be used for player drink bottles

Team managers and coaches must ensure the court side is clean and tidy at the completion of the match. Litter should also be removed from other areas of team assembly.

DUTY

*Duty consists of supplying a net referee, two scorers and two lines people. Any failure to complete duty will result in disqualification from the tournament. **All score sheets must be signed and completed before leaving the assigned court. All mobile phones, ipods, MP3 players etc must not be used during time of duty.***

All first referee duties will be appointed by the Chief Referee (Canterbury Volleyball)