BYLAWS: Recreation Volleyball Leagues

INDIVIDUAL FEES:

Entry Fee: An entry fee will be charged to cover the expense of operating the league as outlined in the league fact sheet.

Player's Fee: A $15.00 players fee with a minimum of 8 (eight) players, or $120.00 must be paid to the Recreation Department for each team. Entry fees, players fees, and rosters will be due no later than 5:00 P.M. at the Recreation Office on the due date stated on the fact sheet. If all fees are not paid by the deadline, that team will not be scheduled. NO EXCEPTIONS!

REFUNDS:

In the event that a team wants to withdraw from the league after the deadline date, fees will or will not be refunded as follows:

A. One to five days after the deadline date, a penalty fee will be assessed equal to that teams half of the referees and scorekeepers fees per game times the number of games scheduled.

B. Anything over five days after the deadline date, no fees will be refunded.

ROSTERS:

Name, address, and phone numbers of each team member, coach, and manager shall be turned in to the Recreation Department no later than entry deadline. Changes may be made prior to the first game with no penalty. Any additions after the first game will require a new players fee.
Teams may carry any number of players over the minimum on their roster. Minimum age is 14 (fourteen) years old. Additions may be made by bringing the player's name, address, phone number, and $15.00 players fee by the Recreation Office prior to next scheduled league game. **NO ADDITIONS WILL BE MADE BY PHONE!** No players will be added after a team's sixth game. Rosters will be frozen after this time unless a team is in jeopardy of not being able to fulfill its commitment. Rosters will not be shown except in case of protest. Any player found playing on two teams will be disqualified from further play.

**WAIVER OF LIABILITY FORMS:**

A waiver of liability form must be signed by each team member, coach, and manager for every team. This form must be on file in the Recreation Office before a player is considered to be an eligible player. Players playing without a signed waiver form will result in a team forfeiting each game in which an ineligible player plays.

**OFFICIALS:**

All referees must be members of the Pampa Umpires Association. All game assignments will be made by an association official. The head referee will be in charge of the athletic area fifteen (15) minutes prior to and after each game.

**NO ABUSE OF OFFICIALS WILL BE TOLERATED!** Any abuse of an official by any team member will subject that player to suspension from the league. This includes actions before, during, and after the game.

**ANY PLAYER EJECTED FROM A GAME AFTER NO FEWER THAN 1 (ONE) VERBAL WARNING FROM AN OFFICIAL, WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY SUSPENDED FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE SEASON!!!**

**CONDUCT:**

Each player and manager will be responsible for their team's conduct and actions while playing in the Recreation Department Volleyball Leagues. Any team, player, or manager, if his/her behavior or actions are detrimental to the league, may be suspended from the league at the discretion of the Recreation Coordinator.

Any damage done to the facilities will be grounds for suspension and person or persons causing the damage will be billed for the damages.

The City of Pampa and/or the Pampa Independent School District reserve the right to cancel the league at any time during the season if poor player conduct or property damage becomes excessive. If the league is canceled, each team will be refunded its entry fees **less the amount already exhausted on league expenses and the amount needed to repair any damages.**
**PROTESTS: Ineligible Players:**

The head referee must be notified of a protest on ineligible players during a game. The head referee will have the scorekeeper record in the official score book that the game is being played under protest and will make a notation of the player being protested.

Each ineligible player protest must be filed in writing to the Recreation Coordinator, within 48 hours. A $25.00 player protest fee must accompany the written protest, which will be refunded if the protest is upheld. If the protest is overruled, the fee will be forfeited to the Recreation Department. A decision will be rendered within 72 hours and managers involved will be notified.

**LINEUPS:**

Lineup rosters must be written in the official score book by the team manager, coach, or designated team member prior to the scheduled game time. Lineups must have players first and last names.

**GAME TIMES:**

Games may be played at 6:00, 6:30, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 8:30, 9:00 and 9:30 P.M. on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. All players must be available to play fifteen (15) minutes ahead of game time in case previous match finishes early!

**CANCELLATION OF GAMES:**

If school was canceled or let out early for the day due to bad weather, then volleyball games will not be played that night. If there is any question, call 806-669-1044 or 806-664-3015.

**THE GAME:**

All games will be played under the Official N.C.A.A. Rules except the following:

1. Rally score rules will be used in all matches.
2. Recreation teams will not be allowed to spike.
3. Matches will be best 2 out of 3 formats. Games will be played to twenty (20) points and winning team must win by two points. Third game tie-breaker will be played to fifteen (15) points with team winning by two points.
4. Each team will have 2 – one-minute time-outs per game.
5. Each match will have a 30 minute, sudden death time limit. When time is out, the match is over (need not win by two). If game is tied, next team to score wins. Each team will have 2 – one-minute time-outs per game.
6. Profanity will not be tolerated by the officials, first offense will result in a verbal warning, and second offense will result in ejection from the game.

7. Unattended children will not be tolerated! Please do not bring children to the gymnasium unless there is a non-playing responsible adult to look after them. Non-adherence to this rule could result in team forfeiture.

8. Rotation substitution rule will be used. Players will rotate in at middle back and rotate out after he/she serves.

9. Each team will consist of six (6) players and must have at least four (4) players, (3) women (1) man to begin play. Men cannot outnumber women. Teams can play with (3) women and (1) man. Each team must have at least (3) women and (3) men on official roster.

10. Absolutely no one will be allowed on the playing court except for players, coaches, and league officials. Please don't make the officials ask your kids to leave the court. Don't let them out there to begin with.

11. Teams will be responsible for bringing their own towels, first-aid kits, etc.

12. Warm-up balls must be furnished by each team. Teams will not be allowed to use game balls for warm-up.

13. Warm-up periods will range from three (3) minutes to ten (10) minutes.

14. No food or drinks will be allowed in the gym during Recreation Department volleyball games.

   **Exception - Sports-type water bottles with re-sealable snap-type lids will be allowed with water or Gatorade. Container must be plastic and re-sealable.**

15. **Alcoholic beverages are strictly prohibited on school premises, this includes the parking lot.** Anyone under the influence of alcohol or any other drugs will not be allowed to participate in league games.

16. Smoking and the use of tobacco is prohibited on school property.

17. Any player who has exposed blood or an open wound will not be allowed to play until the bleeding is stopped and the wound is covered, (first-aid kits could come in very handy).
SPECIAL MIXED RULES:

1. The serving order and positions on the court at service shall be an alternation of male and female.

2. When the ball is played more than once by a team, at least one of the contacts shall be made by a female player. Contact of the ball during blocking shall not constitute playing the ball. There is no requirement for male players to contact the ball.

3. A ball contacted more than once by a team without a female player contacting it, remains alive and in play until it fully crosses the plane of the net or is contacted by an opponent.

NOTE TO MANAGERS:

Managers are responsible that each and every player is aware of the league rules. If there is a change in managership or a change of address, or telephone number of the manager during the season, please let the Recreation Office know about the changes. If there is ever a time that a game will be forfeited or a team decides to drop out of the league, please let the Recreation Superintendent know so that teams can be informed and officials won't be assigned.

GOOD LUCK AND HAVE FUN!

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