

## **NBGC Adult Volleyball League Rules**

1. 6 players on the court (fewer can play if that team chooses).
2. Each team will play a total of 3 games per match (even if one team wins the first two games, the third will be played since TOTAL records will be used for tournament seeding). You will have one hour to play your match. If at 5 minutes until the next hour you are still playing your match. The team ahead at that point will be ruled the winner.
3. IHSAA substitution rules will apply. Each player may be substituted for 3 times per match. After the third substitution, the player in question must remain in the game until completion. This rules will also be loosely followed depending on time, injury, etc.
4. Each game will be played to 21 (using rally scoring), with the winner having to win by 2. While using rally scoring, a point will be earned every play (regardless of which team serves).
5. All teams will make the playoffs. Seeding will be determined by league record followed by game record. Playoff format will be single game elimination, with all playoff games being completed on Friday, November 21st.
6. Line-up format- I would like for each team to have at least two (2) female players on the floor at all times, but I also realize that this may be tough for some teams. This "rule" is meant to solely keep the competition fair for all teams. This will be loosely enforced, but this league is meant to emphasize recreation before competition. As long as each team keeps the lineups fairly even, then each team can play any group of players together.
7. There will be no referee for the regular season. All calls will be made by the teams on the honor system. A referee will be provided for the tournament.
8. First serve will be awarded by coin flip, and the service team will then alternate for the remaining games.
9. A "mercy rule" will be enforced during each team's service. If 1 team scores 5 consecutive points in service, the ball will then be given to the opposing team. This is meant to try and keep team service competitive.