



GUELPH GRYPHONS

Open 2's Beach Volleyball Summer League

MONITOR

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EMERGENCY CONTACTS

In the case of an emergency, immediately contact Campus Police at 519-840-5000. If a phone is not available, alert Client Services at the Athletics Center and they will contact Campus Police immediately.

EQUIPMENT/ATTIRE

Any appropriate beach attire may be worn. Players may choose to play barefoot if they wish. Please bring your own ball to practice. **NO JEWELRY PLEASE!**

TEAM REQUIREMENTS

Teams must have two players present at all times to avoid a default.

REFEREES

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DEFAULTING A GAME

Please have your team ready to start the game at the assigned times. Points will be awarded to the opposing team that is ready if teams are not ready to start at the following time intervals:

- Between 2-5 minutes of the start time 5 points will be awarded
- Between 5-9 minutes of the start time another 5 points will be awarded.
- At the 10 minute mark, the team would be given a default score of 25-0.
- Teams who defaults two DAYS of competition will be deemed ineligible for playoffs.

THE GAME

Court

Beach Volleyball is played on a court 8 meters by 16 meters, divided at the 8 meter mark by a net. Nets will be at co-ed height for all divisions.

Scoring

Matches will be best of 2 games. The two games are 21 rally points, cap at 25 points (must win by two in case of a tie at 21 pts). A third game will only be played if needed during playoffs. The third will be played to 15, cap at 17 points.

Volleying

A PLAYER MAY NEVER, EVER VOLLEY A SERVE. WE REPEAT, A PLAYER MAY NEVER VOLLEY A SERVE UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES.

Once the ball is in play, players may volley however, all volleys must be CLEAN – No doubles and no lifts. A ball may be volleyed over the net, but only if you are square (either forwards or backwards) to the direction of the ball OR if you are intentionally setting your attacker for them to spike the ball and the ball accidentally drifts over the net.

No volleying on first contact.

Attacks

“NO TIPPING,” - no finger tips. Open handed (directed by the palm of the hand – wrist does not bend) “rolls” or close fist pokeys or cobras are permitted

Player Rotations

Player rotation is not required, but SERVER rotation is required.

Blocking

If a player blocking touches the ball on the block, it is counted as the first touch for that team. The blocker may play the ball off his/her own block. These two contacts are counted as one touch by a player. A block counts as one touch.

Playing the Ball

Players may play the ball off any part of their body INCLUDING FEET.

A double is allowed on the first contact – as long as it is not a lift.

Contacting the Net and Crossing under the Net

Players may not touch the net at any time during play. A player may cross under the net without violation, as long as they do not touch anyone on the opposing team or interfere with the opposing team’s playing of the ball. Players crossing under the net may return to their own side without penalty.

Serving

Let serves are permitted (a serve that touches the net but continues over to the opposing team’s side). Remember that a player can only toss the ball once for a serve.

Playoffs

All competitive teams are guaranteed at least two playoff matches after the regular season. Playoff games are played in the same format as regular season games.

Other

Soft dink (open hand, fingertip) is not allowed. Ball must be cleanly hit or "pop" off the hand.

When digging a hard-driven spike, it can be double-hit. Open hand digs are okay, as long as ball is not lifted.

With the exception of the hard-driven spike or block, you can never double-hit the first contact. If you receive the serve open handed (the serve is never considered a hard-driven spike regardless of its velocity), expect it to be called illegal. The tradition of the beach game does not allow the double hit on the first contact as does the indoor game.

Any questions should be directed to the League Office for this sport. Have Fun!