

## Volleyball Pre-match Procedures

- I. R2's - ALWAYS contact your partner within 24 hours of match time. Don't wait until the last minute.
- II. Both officials should arrive at least 30 minutes prior to scheduled match time. KNOW where you are supposed to go. If not sure, ASK! NEVER trust 695, especially on Friday.
- III. Early is on-time, on time is late and late is never acceptable. If you are running late:
  - a. CALL your PARTNER to let them know
  - b. CALL the ASSIGNOR to let them know
  - c. CALL the SCHOOL to let them know
- IV. R2's with a single Varsity match. Ask your partner what time you should arrive. Some IAAMS and Baltimore City matches start immediately after the JV is completed. Based on that, the match time in Arbiter may not be 100% accurate.
- V. Always arrive at the site IN your uniform. There may not be a changing room available.
- VI. Always have a pre-game chat with your partner so you are both know your specific responsibilities.
- VII. **First things first – ALWAYS perform these duties before the coach/captain conference.**
  - a. Find out who your host management contact person will be in case of issues.
  - b. Check and establish the playable areas.
  - c. Check the proper net heights using your net chain. Girls = 7' 4 1/8", Boys = 7' 11 5/8", are measured at the center. The ends should not exceed those measurements by more than 3/4"
  - d. Make sure the antennae are straight and secured properly to the net
  - e. Find out where the game balls are and use your gauge to check pressure in all balls provided. Proper inflation is 4.3 psi minimum to 4.6psi maximum.
  - f. Have the clock set for the timed warmup. Find out who your work team is. They need to be ready to go no later than the 20:00 left on the timed warmup.
- VIII. **Coach – Captain conference**
  - a. Introductions, coaches, captains, officials
  - b. Go over ground rules – Playable vs. non-playable area
  - c. Players properly and legally uniformed and equipped? Needs a YES from coaches.
  - d. Jewelry – KNOW what is legal and what is not. Check your rule book.
  - e. Sportsmanship
  - f. Match format. JV is best 2 of 3.. Varsity is best 3 of 5.
  - g. Coin toss – visitor calls in the air. Home repeats call.
  - h. Good luck to everyone
  - i. Start the clock for timed warmup. Check and follow the correct warmup protocols
- IX. **While teams are warming up, you still have duties to perform.**
  - a. R1 is to brief the line judges, R2 is to brief the scorer, libero tracker and timer
  - b. Take the extra time to watch the warmups so you can ID the setters.
  - c. Beware of flying volleyballs at all times.