

# TOURNAMENT FORMAT

1. All games will be played to FIVB and VNZ regulations. Matters arising outside the official FIVB rules, VNZ regulations and these tournament procedures will be dealt with by the Tournament Director. Decision will be final.
2. Matches start on time unless waiting for a match to finish. It is the Duty Team's responsibility to ensure the match starts on time. If a Duty team is coming off a game please ensure the appointed 1<sup>st</sup> Referee in your team completes the toss and starts the net time.
3. All teams have a minimum 5 min warm up prior to the Referee taking the toss followed by a net warm up of 10min combined (if either captain requests separate warm ups, they may do so for 5min each).
4. FIVB Substitution (15.5 – 15.10) and Libero (19) rules apply for this tournament. Two libero players may be listed for the tournament.
5. "Technical Time-Outs" will not be applied during the tournament.
6. Matches are best of 5 sets, rally point to 25 (first 4 sets) and to 15 points for the 5th set, win by 2-point advantage.
7. Defaults – 6 players (not counting the libero) must be present at the start of the match otherwise an incomplete team will incur a default. The Referee will still start the net time even if there are less than 6 players present.
8. Results will be scored:

Match Won	2 points
Match Lost	1 point
Match Default	0 points

9. Ties are separated by:
  1. Point Ratio – Points for, divided by points against
  2. Set Ratio – Sets for, divided by sets against
  3. If the tie continues between two teams, the priority will be given to the team which won the last match between them.
  4. When the tie in set quotient is between three or more teams, a new classification of these teams in the terms of points 8 and 9 above will be made taking into consideration only the matches in which they were opposed to each other.
10. Team Uniform – All teams are to play in team uniform. This uniform shall include shorts, numbered tops front and back. Tops and shorts are to be of a uniform colour and design. The Liberos uniform must be a colour distinctly different from the team uniform and shall be numbered front and back. Team members who are not in team uniform will not be allowed to participate in the match. The Captain must be clearly identified with a stripe under the front number on their playing shirt. NO exposed undergarments shall be visible e.g. Skins and Thermals.
11. All players, coaches, assistant coaches and managers are to be named on the score sheet prior to the match starting. The coach and captain must sign the scoresheet before the match starts, and the captain signs confirmation of the result after the match finishes.
12. Match Ball – Molten IV5XC – the official VNZ Tournament ball.

13. Protests: Protest Fee is \$50 which is returned if your protest is upheld. The team Captain must indicate to the 1<sup>st</sup> Referee, that a protest is being lodged. The match will be frozen and the Referee Delegate or Venue Controller at your tournament venue will adjudicate.
14. Behaviour – Players who demonstrate poor sportsmanship during matches will be subject to the Sanction Scale as per. the official FIVB rules of volleyball. Any other matters that arise (not covered by the official rules or happen outside a match) will be dealt with by the Disputes Committee. The decision is final.
15. Refereeing and Duties – Each team must provide a 1st Referee (Minimum Regional AA Qualification), 2nd Referee, 2-4 lines people and 2 scorers. Teams must provide their own whistles.
16. Bonds will be forfeited for non compliance of any of the above regulations, at which time a further bond of \$100.00 may be requested to complete the tournament.