

# Milwaukee Social Club

## OUTDOOR Volleyball Rules & Procedures

(Revised Spring 2008)

### POINTS OF INTEREST:

1. Volleyballs will be provided by Milwaukee Social Club. Teams can use own if both teams agree.
2. All rosters must be finalized by week two of the season. Please turn in any roster changes and monies due to the MSC office, NOT to the league supervisor. Rosters need to include full names, complete home addresses and phone numbers.
3. Any team w/outstanding balances may be subject to forfeit until fees are paid.
4. **Coed 6's:** A team consists of 6 players on the court. A minimum of four players (2m, 2f) are required to begin a game. A team cannot have more than 3 of either gender on the court (These minimums are specific to 6-on-6 games).
5. **Coed 4's:** A team consists of 4 players on the court. A minimum of three players (w/at least 1 F) are required to begin a game. A team cannot have more than 2 of either gender on the court. (specific to 4-on-4 games).
6. Opposing teams can approve any differences of team setup, and any approval stands throughout the match.
7. Any team not having the minimum players ready by the start of the game will be subject to late penalties and possible forfeit. (Game time: Lose first game. 10 Minutes later, lose match). Players need to be signed in and at the court by game time to avoid late penalties.
8. A paid referee will be provided for all games.
9. Players need to sign in each week prior to game times.
10. Players not on official roster (subs) need to be approved by opposing team. No subs are allowed in playoff situations.
11. Unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated. Referees have the right to eject a player out from a match/game if that player curses at the referee, their opponents, or is considered unruly.
12. No refunds can be honored once the team is confirmed into the league and registration deadline has passed.

### RULES OF PLAY

*The following rules are adapted from USAV. This is by no means a complete list, but covers the most important issues.*

1. Teams "choose" to begin play. Winner has choice of side or serve. The serve will then alternate teams for the 2<sup>nd</sup> game and teams will "re-choose" for the third game.
2. Three games will be played, or 55 minutes, whichever comes first.
3. Games are played to 25 (rally). Win by 2 points, maximum of 27.
4. Games may be adjusted towards end of summer if daylight is affected. Same for playoff formats.
5. Teams switch sides after each game, and in the 3<sup>rd</sup> game when the first team reaches 13 points.
6. Serves must clear net.
7. Setting is allowed off the serve. Attacking/blocking the ball is not allowed.
8. Unless the net system has antennas, any ball returned within the poles is fair play.
9. Back row players can block but cannot attack the ball at the net. (10 foot rule).
10. A legal hit is any part of the body.
11. Players are allowed to cross the plane under the net, as long as they do not interfere w/the opposing player.
12. Serves can be from anywhere along the back lines of the court.
13. If a ball is hit more than once per side, a female must be involved in at least one of those hits. No particular order is necessary.
14. Three hits max, if the ball is volleyed back on one hit, that hit can be from a male or female.

## MISCELLANEOUS

1. League standings will be available at the courts and online as of week three.
2. Alcoholic beverages are prohibited on MPS property. Please respect these rules and enjoy your favorite beverage at the sponsor bar after your match. Beach leagues should not be affected by this but watch for details
3. Beach leagues are self-officiated. Good sportsmanship and fun play is encouraged. League supervisor can step in in case of disagreement.
4. Schedules are available at the games and posted on MSC's website:

***milwaukee-social-club.com***

5. The final week or two of the season is playoffs/mini-tourney. The top teams of each league will play multiple rounds on this evening. (# of teams advancing depends on league size). Teams involved in the playoff round will have their captains contacted via e-mail. Consolation matches may be scheduled upon request. 9 weeks minimum for all teams.
6. The championship team wins prizes from MSC and the league sponsor bar. Prizes vary based on league size, but generally can include t-shirts and a team pitcher party.
7. If there is a question regarding weather, players & captains can call the MSC office **AFTER 5:30PM** on the days of play. Any postponements will also be posted online at [www.milwaukee-social-club.com](http://www.milwaukee-social-club.com).
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***The head referee / supervisor has the authority to override and/or overrule all.***

## ***MSC Volleyball Leagues***

***Outdoor season runs in summer months (June-August/Sept)***

***Indoor seasons run in Fall (Sept-Dec), Winter (Jan-March)  
and Spring (March-May)***

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and Soccer***