

# MID PENN VOLLEYBALL GUIDELINES

## I. Length of contest

- Each conference Varsity Match will consist of five (5) games using rally scoring.
  - A team scoring twenty-five (25) points with a minimum of two (2) points separating the teams in scoring is the winner of the first four (4) games.
  - A team scoring fifteen (15) points with a minimum of two (2) points separating the teams in scoring is the winner of the fifth game.
  - The winner of the match will be the team that wins three (3) games.
- Each conference JV Match will consist of three (3) games using rally scoring.
  - A team scoring twenty-five (25) points with a minimum of two (2) points separating the teams in scoring is the winner of the first two games.
  - A team scoring fifteen (15) points with a minimum of two (2) points separating the teams in scoring is the winner of the third game.
  - The winner of the match will be the team that wins two (2) games.
- Each conference Junior High/Middle School Varsity and JV Match will consist of three games using rally scoring.
  - A team scoring twenty-five (25) points with a minimum of two (2) points separating the teams in scoring is the winner of the first two games.
  - A team scoring fifteen (15) points with a minimum of two (2) points separating the teams in scoring is the winner of the third game.
  - The winner of the match will be the team that wins two (2) games.

## II. Uniforms

- Teams should be outfitted as alike as possible
- Numbers must be on the front and back of all uniforms worn by the players.

## III. Participation

- All participating schools must abide by the eligibility rules as stated in the PIAA Constitution and the Mid Penn Constitution and By-Laws.

## IV. Officials

- Two (2) PIAA certified officials will be assigned by the Mid Penn Conference Assigner.

## V. Game Operations

- The National Federation Volleyball rules, as approved by the PIAA shall apply.
- Recommended starting time for senior high matches is 6:00 pm and for junior high/middle school is 4:00 pm. Any time change is by mutual consent of the schools.
- Contests involving both Varsity and JV Teams from both schools may be played either simultaneously or separately, the choice being made by the host school.
- Warm-up time will be 6 minutes shared / 7 minutes visiting team / 7 minutes home team

- Host School's Responsibilities:
  - Supply NFSH approved white leather games balls, lightweight, in excellent condition and inflated with prescribed poundage.
  - Furnish official scorebooks or score sheets, pencils, a timing device, one libero tracker, one (1) scorer and timer per team, per match.
  - Provide courts that are official in size and line markings. Any deviations should be reported prior to the start of the sports season.
  - Provide a visible scoreboard.
  - Supply a structure from which the officials can view the game clearly.
  - Provide practice balls for both teams.
  - Provide two (2) lines people and flags. If possible, adults should be used for the varsity matches.
- Visiting School's Responsibilities:
  - Furnish one (1) scorer/timer per match

## **VI. Postponement of Contests**

- Postponed matches will be rescheduled for the first available playing date, mutually agreed upon by the schools.

## **VII. Divisional Championship**

- Divisional Champions will be determined by win/loss record. If there is a tie, then Co-Champions will be named.
- To be eligible for a Championship, a team must play all games in their division.

## **VII Determining entries into the District III Tournament**

- District III will use a Power Rating System to determine entries into the tournament.

## **VIII Reporting Results to the Media**

- The home team should report results to the news media. The host school must report scores to the Mid Penn Conference website, as well. This can be done through email or by recording scores in Schedule Star or Big teams. It would be helpful if everyone contacted the Harrisburg Patriot-News.

## **IX All-star Selection Process**

- The Volleyball Chairperson will host a coaches meeting or email campaign at the end of the season to select all-stars.