

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.
- Officials will beckon captains and coaches for the pre-game conference as soon as the court is cleared from the previous match, usually the JV match. Failure to appear promptly will result in

an Unnecessary Delay, a warning. If the team has not appeared by the time the Unnecessary Delay is recorded, a second Unnecessary Delay will be assessed, resulting in a loss of rally/point.

- Host School's Responsibilities:
 - Supply NFHS approved 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 flags for the line persons to use.
- 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.

VIII. Mid Penn Conference Championship

- The Conference **WILL NOT** sponsor an end of the year tournament.

IX. Determining entries into the District III Tournament

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

X. Reporting Results to the Media

- The home team should report results to the news media.
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XI. 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.