

Thomas Township Parks & Recreation Men's Volleyball Rules and Information

1. Players must be 17 years old or a high school graduate to play in this league.
2. Each team must have a completed roster turned into the Parks Office before their second week of play. A maximum of 12 participants are allowed on each roster. Players may be added through the third week of play.
3. Matches will be played at Swan Valley High School. A match will consist of 4 games. Games will be rally scoring to 25 points (win by 2 or first team to 27 points). If the fourth game is running late the referee can play the fourth game rally scoring to 15 (cap of 17) to keep the matches on time.
4. Individuals may only play on one team in a division.
5. USAVB rules will be in effect with a let serve.
6. A team must have four players to start a game. Forfeit time is 5 minutes after the scheduled match time for the first game; 10 minutes after for the second game; 15 minutes after for the third game and so minutes after for the fourth game and entire match.
7. Players must wear soft soled athletic shoes. No one may play with a cast or splint of any type. Tape may be used.
8. No jewelry or hats are allowed during games.
9. Teams flip a coin to determine 1) serving first or 2) choice of sides for the first game. Teams will switch ends at the conclusion of each game. Losing team will then serve first for the second game. Another coin flip will determine who will serve the third game and the loser of the third game will serve the fourth game.
10. All teams and/or players must adhere to the honor system when a referee cannot see the play. This means telling what the outcome of the play is. If an agreement cannot be made, the ball is re-served.
11. Each team is allowed two 30 second time outs per game.
12. All players present and able-bodied must participate.

13. When receiving team has gained the right to serve, its players must rotate one position clockwise.
14. When serving, only one toss of the ball to execute the serve is allowed. When the ball falls to the floor whether it has been touched or not, it will result in an illegal service and loss of the rally. Let serves are legal.
15. Characteristics of the hit include: the ball may touch any part of the body; the ball must be hit, not caught or thrown (the direction it rebounds doesn't matter); and the ball is allowed to touch various parts of the body only when contact happens simultaneously.
16. Players must show good sportsmanship before, during, and after matches. Abusive language will not be tolerated. Threats or acts of misconduct will result in suspension and/or expulsion from the league. Ejection is an automatic two week suspension. Drinking on the school grounds is not allowed.
17. Any ties for first place will be broken by a best three out of five games (25 points win by 2, with a cap of 27) for the playoff match.
18. T-shirts will be given to individuals on the winning team
19. Final decisions on all matters will be dealt with by the Thomas Township Parks and Recreation Department.