

GSVO SUMMARIZED PROTOCOLS FOR VOLLEYBALL

Officials are not responsible for players, coaches, fans not following policy UNLESS it directly affects the official's personal well-being-

**FACIAL COVERINGS REQUIRED AT ALL TIMES FOR EVERYONE – PUT YOURS ON IN THE CAR
ALL PROTOCOLS SHOULD BE DONE WITH 6 FT SOCIAL DISTANCING.**

If team is *not* adhering to proper physical distancing when interacting with officials:

- First, remind (assign cards as appropriate – delay for distancing, conduct for no mask); if it continues, then...
- Ask Game management to get involved; if it still continues, then...
- Suspend the contest for the moment to contact Cindy (206-229-4403); she and game-management will sort the issue out to get the game back running.

At end of contest, send Salima an email with specific issues/details of non-compliance.

OFFICIALS RECOMMENDED TO BRING THEIR OWN WATER, HAND SANITIZER, PEN

Uniform Changes

- Masks required for ALL (unless athletes are exempted – ask at prematch conference)
- Gloves allowed
- Long pants allowed
- Undergarments allowed of single, solid color similar to the standard top or bottom
- Officials: long sleeves, gloves, and electronic whistles are allowed

Match Set Up

- Benches may or may not be present – it is up to the school to decide how to handle distancing on sidelines.
- Score table consists ONLY of home team scorer, libero tracker and timer with 3-6 ft distancing.
- After checking the pressure, sanitize two volleyballs. One stays at score-table, other remains on the court at all times. When checking the pressure, use hand sanitizer on the needle, DON'T LICK IT. Do not touch balls after.
- Line judges should use their own flag. If a line judge does not have a flag, both should use hand signals.

Prematch-Coaches' Conference

- Limit attendees to one coach from each team, first referee and second referee at center court with one coach and one referee positioned on each side of the net.
- Get any mask-exemption info re: players.
- Remind them it is their duty to ensure COVID guidelines are followed. **Repeated failure to follow distancing may result in a delay warning, while repeated failure to converse with a mask may result in an unsporting conduct.**
- Identify if there is a clear side advantage, otherwise inform them that **teams will not be switching sides between sets.**
- **No coin toss to determine serve/receive.** The visiting team will serve first in set 1 and alternate first serve. For a deciding set call 1 captain per team to center court for a coin toss, called by home team. Winner of the coin toss will decide serve/receive the other captain may chose a side only if a clear side advantage was determined in the pre-match conference.
- **Roster submission should be directly to the table before the 10-minute mark, NOT at conference.**
- National anthem protocol is same as before – just spread out for distancing – LJ on attack lines, R1/R2 on opposite sides of the net 3 ft from net

During the game

- **Don't forget to whistle teams back to their own benches instead of switching at end of sets.**
- No pregame or postgame handshakes
- **Players and coaches on the team bench can stand** with social distancing (3-6 ft) no closer than 6 ft to the court. **The team bench can extend past endline** as long as they maintain appropriate distance from court.
- Only athletes touch the balls; server sets ball on the ground during time outs.
- Players use hand sanitizer when entering and exiting the court. No hand touching during subs.
- **Masked players may have a "Recovery Pause" after a long rally. Player shall either turn away from the court or put up her hand to signal she needs a short recovery pause.**
- **Officials must scan the court and pay close attention, looking for any players that may need a recovery pause after a long rally.**