

PCU GAMES 2024

Volleyball – Laws of the Game

- A. Each team needs to be present at the sports venue minimum **1 hour before** the start of the match. Please consult your team guide for the departure time at your hotel or hostel.
- B. Only players that are or were active students at the participating universities or university colleges in the academic years 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 are able to compete.
- C. All matches shall be played in accordance with the FIVB regulations (www.fivb.ch), as amended and advised by the PCU Committee. In any dispute, the English text will be regarded as decisive. Please take attention to following points:

1. **Match format**

Matches will be played following a “best of 3” format with sets to 25 points (to 15 points in the third set). Sets are won by two clear points, with no ceiling. Average match duration is estimated at 1 hour and 15 minutes, warm up in separate area not included.

2. **Time Outs**

No technical time outs are allowed. Two (2) team time outs of 30 seconds are allowed per set.

3. **Score Sheet**

Only a maximum of 12 players are to be filled out on the Score Sheet during a Volleyball match.

4. **Bench**

The bench consists out of maximum 6 players fielded, 6 substitutes, a coach and assistant coach, a doctor and physiotherapist. Medical staff needs to be qualified.

5. **Forfeit**

In case of a forfeit or a refusal to play, the opponent will receive 2 points. If a team forfeits more than one (1) match in the same competition, all match results of that team will be disregarded.

6. **Suspension**

Players receiving a penalty (red card) shall accumulate 3 disciplinary points. Players receiving an expulsion (red and yellow cards jointly) shall receive 5 disciplinary points. Players receiving a disqualification (red and yellow card separately) shall receive 8 disciplinary points. Players accumulating 8 penalty points or more shall be suspended for their next match. Any player adjudged guilty of a severe fault or unsporting conduct, may be suspended by the Arbitration Commission for the following match or until the end of the competition. This final decision (exclusion for more than one game) will always be taken in the presence of at least two (2) members of the Arbitration Commission. Any player adjudged guilty of unsporting conduct or any delegation member who commits an act of gross unsporting misconduct during the competition, may be reported in writing by the Arbitration Commission to the Rector, Chancellor, Principal or Head of his/her Institution who can act upon the matter. Furthermore, the PCU Committee can decide to exclude the player or member of the delegation from all Championships in the future.

7. **Ranking System**

The following system shall be applied in order to determine the ranking or qualification:

- 1st 2 points for a win / 1 point for a loss / 0 points for a forfeit
- 2nd Percentage: Number of sets won / Number of sets played x 100
- 3rd Percentage: Number of points won / Maximum number of points (all played set points) x 100
- 4th Mutual result