

**COLUMBUS PARKS & RECREATION  
VOLLEYBALL RULES**

- 1. All players shall follow United States Volleyball Association Rules (U.S.A.V.) except where otherwise noted.**
- 2. Ball in Play (CO-ED)**

**A female must play the ball before it crosses the net or it will Result in a point or side out. Exception: if the ball is hit over on the first hit.**

**3. Rosters**

- A. All players must be listed on a Parks & Recreation Official Roster form.**
- B. All rosters must be submitted to the athletic office prior To that team's first game.**
- C. A protest will result in a forfeit if the team in question fails to turn in a roster.**
- D. Roster additions must be done in writing on a Parks & Recreation roster form.**
- E. Roster additions must be brought to the athletic office in person, through postal service or by fax.**
- F. Roster additions become eligible immediately upon receipt Of their names by the athletic staff at Comer.**
- G. Roster additions must be made no later than 14 days prior to the last regularly scheduled season game.**

**4. Player Eligibility**

**No Restrictions – Open League**

**Commercial/Industrial – See rules 10 and 11**

**5. Protest Procedure**

**All protest must be done in writing and submitted to the athletic offices within 2 working days of the game in question. A \$10.00 fee must accompany all protest concerning player eligibility. Valid protest will result in a return of your protest fee.**

**6. Minimum/Maximum Players**

- A. A team must have a minimum of five players. Three females and two males or three males and two females of four females and one male.**
- B. When a team has less than six players the opponents will be awarded a side out each time the missing player is scheduled to serve.**

**7. Unsportsmanlike Conduct**

**Unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated. USVA rules will apply. If the supervisor on duty deems necessary a person may be asked to leave the gym. Failure to do so will result in a forfeit of the game.**

**8. No grace period on games. Gyms will be available 15 minutes before time of each game.**

**9. Match will consist of 3 games. Two games to 11 with 3<sup>rd</sup> game played to 15. This is know as rally scoring. Each time the ball is played a point is scored whether a team serves or not.**

**10. To play in the industrial league, players must be full time employees. Full time employees are those who work a minimum of 32 hours per week. Industrial teams are allowed two pickup players outside the company. Pickup players may be replaced only once in the course of the season and shall follow rule ten (10) of these supplemental rules to be eligible. Pickup players shall not be allowed to change teams under any circumstances in the course of the season.**

11. A. **Definition of sponsoring company**
  1. **As it pertains to a privately owned business:**  
**A company is that entity that is chartered as a separate corporation as verified through (Columbus) Superior court in accordance with Georgia State regulations.**
  2. **As it pertains to city government:**  
**The city government shall be divided into two entities; Public Safety shall act as a single company; the remaining employees, not involved with Public Safety, Shall act as the second separate company.**
  3. **As it pertains to state government:**  
**Whereas, the state government is fragmented into multiple departments that bear little or no resemblance to one another, and, whereas, state employees shall not derive an advantage by gathering as a singular unit, it is determined that they may play together as a “sponsoring company.”**
12. **Participants may play on one company only unless the player changes jobs and his new company has fielded a team. Once he or she has played in a game they may not play for another team.**
13. **A participant may play both Open & Industrial league.**
14. **No alcoholic beverages are allowed at Parks & Recreation athletic functions.**
15. **Games will start 7:00, 8:00, and 9:00 p.m. for the open league. Industrial league games will be at 7:00, 7:45, 8:30, and 9:15 p.m.**
16. **All players must have in their possession a pictured ID. Those not having pictured identification are ineligible to participate until it is produced.**