



## VOLLEYBALL - INDOOR (men and women)

2016

AUS Volleyball competitions are conducted in accordance with the rules of [Volleyball Australia](#) except where these differ from AUS sports rules; in which case the latter shall take precedence.

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### 1. Team/squad size

- Minimum registered players – 7
- Maximum registered players – 12
- Maximum cross registrations – 3
- Minimum number of players that can take the court without incurring a forfeit – 6

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### 2. Competition format

- 2.1. Any designated libero player shall be the libero player for the duration of the match.
- 2.2. If a team has won the game within the 3 sets (for a 5 set game) or 2 sets (for a 3 set game), additional sets will not be played.

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### 3. Game time/duration

- 3.1. All games shall apply the rally point system.
- 3.2. Where venue capacity allows, matches will be the best of 5 sets:
  - The first four sets to 25 and the fifth set to 15
  - Each set will require a minimum lead of 2 points
- 3.3. Where venue capacity is restricted, matches will be the best of 3 sets or to a time limit if venue capacity and the number of entries require it:
  - The first two sets to 25 and the third set to 15
  - Each set will require a minimum lead of 2 points
- 3.4. Official court warm up, including spiking, is from 10 minutes before scheduled match time. If the previous match finishes more than 10 minutes before the allocated start time, teams may take the court to warm up (not including spiking) earlier.
- 3.5. A summary of game time/duration is also available via the [AUS supplement – games time summary](#).

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### 4. Points score

- 4.1. Points for each match shall be awarded as follows:
  - Winning team: 3 points
  - Losing team: 1 point
  - Forfeited team: 0 points
- 4.2. In the event that two or more teams have the same number of points at the completion of the preliminary rounds, the higher placed team(s) will be decided when the first of the following in order, favours one team:
  - a) The percentage of sets won compared to total sets played during the competition
  - b) The percentage of points won compared to total points played during the competition
  - c) Winner of the game played between the relevant teams during the preliminary competition
  - d) If teams are still tied after the application of the above criteria then the higher placed team shall be decided upon by:
    - The percentage of sets played only between the tied teams (sets won divided by total sets played multiplied by 100)
    - The percentage of points played between the tied teams (points won divided by total points played multiplied by 100)

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## 5. Forfeits

- 5.1. Volleyball is run under the [AUS Guideline – forfeit of competition requirements](#).
- 5.2. Any team not ready to start at the official match time, forfeits the first set. If the team is still not ready to play 5 minutes after the official match time, the second set is forfeited. If the team is still not ready to play 10 minutes after the official match time, the match is forfeited.
- 5.3. A forfeit set score is 25 points to nil (0).
- 5.4. A forfeit match is 3 sets to nil (0) with each set recorded as 25 points to nil (0).
- 5.5. Should the commencement of a game be delayed due to no fault of either team (as determined by the sport officials), the game shall be played in its full duration if possible. If full game duration is not possible, the recommended revised game duration will need to be agreed upon by both teams.
- 5.6. In the event of a game being abandoned, the [AUS abandonment guideline](#) will be implemented.

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## 6. Uniform requirements

- 6.1. Each athlete shall wear the uniform of their university. The university shall submit a description of its uniform if requested.
- 6.2. The specific uniform requirements for Volleyball are as per the national sporting organisation standard with the following AUS uniform requirements:
  - Matching shirts, socks and shorts, except for the libero player who must wear a different colour uniform in contrast to the other team members, with the same numbering as the rest of the team
  - All shirts to be clearly numbered on the front and back (preferably 1-18), with numbers a minimum of 15cm high (front) and 20cm high (back), and 2cm wide
- 6.3. Minimum uniform requirements for AUS events must be met:
  - A competitor must not use equipment or wear anything that is dangerous to him/herself or another competitor (including any kind of jewellery)
  - Long or sharp fingernails are to be trimmed short
  - All participating competitors are to be correctly attired in appropriate, matching team uniforms
  - Exceptions may be made for some sports in cold weather, providing permission is granted by the appropriate officials. Additionally the exceptions will only be granted providing they are the same colour, and the extra clothing does not cover up any identification numbers or colours
  - All numbers on shirts need to be clearly visible, and in a contrasting colour to the dominant colour of the shirt
  - Mouth guards are strongly recommended for all sports where there is a potential for collision. It is compulsory to wear a mouth guard in those sports where it is stated
  - All participants must retain the one number throughout the tournament (if numbered jerseys are used)
  - Numbers on shirts are restricted to one or two digit numbers
  - Players should not take the field of play in any costume or part of a costume. If they do, players will be asked to remove costume items or incur a code of behaviour report

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## 7. Team duties

- 7.1. Team duty requirements for Volleyball are:
  - Each team will be rostered to provide a duty team for a number of matches over the duration of the championships
  - Duty teams will consist of five people from one team to fill the roles of linesperson x 2, 2<sup>nd</sup> referee x 1, scorer x 1 and manual scoreboard operator x 1
- 7.2. The persons fulfilling the team duty requirements can be any competent person associated with that team or university and does not necessarily have to be a player e.g. team manager.



7.3. Teams that do not fulfil team duties will be fined as per the [AUS Guideline - forfeit of competition requirements](#).

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## 8. Award ceremonies

8.1. Medal ceremonies will be held at the completion of the competition.

8.2. Gold, silver and bronze medals will be presented to those teams finishing 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the competition.

8.3. Pennants will be presented at the closing presentation to the following teams:

- For regional university games events
  - Mens champion
  - Womens champion
- For the Australian University Games
  - Overall mens champion
  - Mens champion division 2
  - Overall womens champion
  - Womens champion division 2

8.4. The following trophies will be presented to the overall champion teams at the Australian University Games (note that trophies are presented at the closing presentation):

- Mens Overall Champions – AUS Mens Volleyball Champions trophy
- Womens Overall Champions – AUS Womens Volleyball Champions trophy

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### Previous rule amendments

July 2004 | April 2005 | August 2005 | June 2008 | March 2010 | April 2011 | May 2012 | May 2014 | February 2015