

## VOLLEYBALL - INDOOR (men and women)

2017

AUS Volleyball competitions are conducted in accordance within the official rules of [FIVB](#) as varied by [Volleyball Australia](#) to conduct the Australian Junior Volleyball Championships 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. The 12 Substitution Rule will be used in all matches.
- 2.2. Any designated libero player shall be the libero player for the duration of the match.
- 2.3. If a team has won the match by winning 3 sets for a 5 set match or 2 sets for a 3 set match, no additional sets will be played.

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### 3. Match time/duration

- 3.1. Where venue capacity allows, matches will be rally point, 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
- 3.2. Where venue capacity is restricted, matches will be rally point, 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
- 3.3. A summary of a match time limit system if needed to be used is available via the [AUS supplement – games time summary](#).
- 3.4. All matches will be played under the GEST (Guaranteed Earliest Starting Time) system;
  - If matches run over the scheduled start time of the next match, the upcoming match does not start until 10 minutes after the previous match concludes.
  - If the match finishes more than 10 minutes before the next scheduled match, that match will not commence until the scheduled starting time.
  - If a team due to play has performed duty on the previous match, that team will be given 15 minutes warm up after the conclusion of the previous match instead of 10 minutes.
  - The allocated time incorporates the official court warm up, including spiking and serving which will take 6 minutes.

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### 4. Ladder Points

- 4.1. Ladder 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 ladder 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 the team:
  - a) With the higher percentage of sets won divided by total sets played during the competition;



- b) With the higher percentage of points won divided by total points played during the competition;
- c) If two teams are tied, the winner of the Match played between the relevant teams during the preliminary competition;
- d) If more than two teams are tied after the application of the above criteria then the higher placed team shall be decided upon by:
  - The higher percentage of sets won divided by total sets played in matches only between the tied teams;
  - The higher percentage of points won divided by total points played in matches only between the tied teams.

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## 5. Forfeits

- 5.1. Volleyball teams are subject to penalties 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. When neither team is ready to commence at the advised starting time, both teams forfeit the first set. If neither team is ready to start after five (5) minutes, both forfeit the second set and a double match forfeit will be recorded once a further five (5) minutes has elapsed.
- 5.6. Where both teams have forfeited the first set but are then ready to play at the start of the second set, the match shall be played as a best of three (3) sets.
- 5.7. Should the commencement of a match be delayed due to no fault of either team (as determined by competition management or AUS), the match shall be played in its full duration if possible. If full match duration is not possible, the revised match duration will need to be agreed upon by both teams. If resolution between the teams is not possible then the Competition Manager (or their delegate) will make the final decision regarding match format, which will not be subject to appeal.
- 5.8. In the event of a match 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 Volleyball Australia's 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 1-20), 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 (standing) 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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## Rule amendments

July 2004 | April 2005 | August 2005 | June 2008 | March 2010 | April 2011 | May 2012 | May 2014 | February 2015 | April 2017