



## Baxter Sports Complex Sand Volleyball Rules & Information

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### INFORMATION

- Baxter Sports Complex, staff members, and/or league officials are not responsible for any injury, accident or loss incurred by a player(s) or spectators as a result of this program. Individuals are encouraged to have personal health/accident insurance to cover injuries that may occur.
- A team's regular season record will determine seeding for the post season tournament. In case of a tie, the tie will be broken by a) head to head record between those teams, and b) point differential in those head to head matches.
- Participants are responsible for supervising their children. Please do not allow them to climb or hang on netting, poles, and equipment.

### ROSTERS

- Roster/Waiver Form must be completed and submitted to Baxter Sports Complex prior to the 1<sup>st</sup> game of the season. Managers can add additional players to their roster during the 1<sup>st</sup> half of the season. After the halfway point, no additional players can be added.
- Rosters must include each player's first and last name. Each player must also sign the Waiver Form before playing in their first match.
- If there is a question about a player's eligibility, an opposing manager should bring his/her concern immediately to the attention of the official and/or complex staff. Any question about the player's eligibility will be considered before that team's next scheduled match. It is not the responsibility of the complex to check for legal/illegal players on a team's roster.

### RULES AND REGULATIONS

- Uniforms are not required.
- Teams must be ready to play at their scheduled game time. A 10-minute window will be given from the scheduled start time. If at the end of the 10-minute wait period, a team is not present, the game will result in a forfeit.
- By rule, a team can play with one more male than female.
  - Example (6's): 3 men/2 women is acceptable, but 4 men/2 women is not. A team must have a minimum of two people on the court at a time, and a maximum of six. A team can play with up to six females if they so choose.
  - Example (4's): 2 men/2 women or 2 men/1 woman is acceptable, but not 3 men/1 woman. A team can play with as many women as they choose.
- No outside food/drink is allowed at Baxter Sports Complex.
- Smoking is prohibited inside the complex, please use designated smoking areas outside the gate.
- Managers will be responsible for the conduct of their players, and must inform their team of schedules, league rules, and other necessary information.
- The Complex Director and officials have the authority to remove any player, manager, or spectator from the game and facility. In addition, he/she has the right to stop play and forfeit a game to the opposition if, in his/her opinion, a team is making a travesty of the game.
- The Complex Director also reserves the right to suspend any player or manager from competition if harmful, profane, abusive and/or unsportsmanlike behavior or language is directed towards league officials, staff, or

members of the opposing team. The Complex Director will determine the length of suspension and notify the individual(s) involved.

- A player who is ejected from a game must leave the facility immediately, and he/she will be suspended from playing or coaching in his/her next match.
- A series of three games will be played for each scheduled match. During the regular season, all three games will be played, and a win/loss record will be kept in order to determine league winners.
- All three games will be played to 21 points. A team must win by two points, with a cap of 30.
- A 55-minute time limit will be allowed for three game matches. At the end of time limit, the team with at least a two-point advantage will be declared the winner on that game. If there is no two-point advantage, play will continue until there is one.
- Contacting the ball during play must be brief and instantaneous. The ball may touch any part of the body. When the ball comes to rest momentarily in the hands or arms of a player it is considered being held. The ball must be hit cleanly. Scooping, lifting, pushing, or carrying the ball shall be considered a foul.
- The ball may only be contacted only three times before it is sent over the net. If two players strike the ball simultaneously it is only one hit and either player may hit the ball again.
- Net serves *are* legal. If the serve hits the top of the net and goes over, play continues.
- Players may serve from anywhere along the end line.
- Blocking or spiking the opposing serve is prohibited.
- A ball touching a boundary line is good and counted in.
- A substitute player shall enter the game by rotating into the back position.
- **4's Specific Rules:**
  - No open-handed tipping. A player must cleanly hit the ball with the heel or palm of their hand (roll shot), with straight, locked fingers (cobra), with knurled fingers (claw), or with the back of their hand.
  - Players are not required to rotate, and every player is eligible to attack.
- Current USAV rules apply, unless otherwise stated.