



TOURNAMENT POLICIES

- 1) FVC will be the final judge in all facets of tournament play. Tournaments may be suspended due to field or environmental conditions. FVC may alter the format of any match at any time due to daylight and/or weather considerations.
- 2) Online registrations are accepted until 6pm on the Wednesday prior to each tournament. Teams registering after that time will be considered "walk-ons" and charged an additional \$5 per person.
- 3) Check-in is from 8am to 8:30am. Players who have not registered in advance must register during this time.
- 4) Late Arrivals - All players must be present during check-in to sign a waiver. If the entire team is not in line by 8:30am, the team will be assessed a late fee of \$5 per person. If the entire team is not signed in by 9:00am, the team will be assessed an additional late fee of \$5 per person. The Tournament Director's time source shall govern. FVC reserves the right to exclude teams that arrive late without providing a refund. FVC will not provide refunds to teams that do not show or drop out after the deadline.
- 5) Refund Policy - Teams that drop out of a tournament before 6pm on the Wednesday prior to each tournament will receive a credit towards a future tournament. All credits will be issued to the team contact.
- 6) Inclement Weather Policy – In case of inclement weather, FVC will leave a prerecorded message at 703-966-8037. If a tournament is cancelled prior to its start, all registered teams will receive a credit towards a future tournament.
- 7) Tournament Credits – All tournament credits must be used within one year of issue.
- 8) The first match is scheduled to begin at 9am. Subsequent matches will begin 10 minutes after the completion of the previous match. (During pool play, teams playing back-to-back matches will be allotted 15 minutes between matches.) Teams must be prepared to play or work on time. Teams not ready to play at the designated start time will forfeit the first game of the match. Subsequent games will be forfeited every 10 minutes. Work teams are responsible for keeping time. Work teams that do not show will receive a one-game forfeit in their next match.
- 9) FVC endorses the "old school" paneled outdoor ball. This endorsement shall govern any dispute over the choice of game ball. If there is a dispute over the same type of ball during pool play, the work team will choose. If there is a dispute over the same type of ball during playoffs, the higher seed will choose. Indoor balls will not be allowed.
- 10) Cleats are not allowed on the playing field at any time. Multi-studded soft-rubber soles (turf shoes) are acceptable.
- 11) Honor calls are expected among competitors. However, work teams must work! Work teams are expected to provide a competent referee to make calls, settle disputes and keep score.
- 12) The work team of the last match in pool play is required to bring the results sheet to the tournament director.
- 13) Players must be at least 12 years of age to participate in non-sanctioned events. Players under the age of 18 are required to provide the appropriate paperwork. All players are required to provide proof of age if requested by the tournament director.
- 14) For all genres, only men can fill men's positions and only women can fill women's positions.
 - a) USAV Sanctioned Junior Events – Coed team will be allowed in the 14U division.