



SCORING & PLAYOFF RULES

- 1) Side out scoring is used for all games. Teams must win by 2 points. There will be no cap in any game.
 - a) USAV Sanctioned Juniors Events – Rally scoring is used for all games.
- 2) In games that are played to 15 points, teams shall switch sides every 5 points. In games that are played to 11 points, teams shall switch sides every 4 points.
 - a) USAV Sanctioned Junior Events – In games that are played to 21 points or 25 points, teams shall switch sides every 7 points.
- 3) In divisions with more than one pool, the top 2 teams from each pool will advance to playoffs. In divisions with only 1 pool, there will be no playoffs unless there is a tie for 1st or 2nd place.
- 4) In the event of a tie for 1st place in pool play, the tie shall be broken in the following order: Head-to-head record, head-to-head point differential, overall point differential, head-to-head record against other pool teams in the order of final pool rank, coin toss.
- 5) In the event of a tie for 2nd place in pool play, the tie shall be broken by a 1 game playoff to 11 points using side out scoring.
 - a) USAV Sanctioned Juniors Events – In the event of a tie for 2nd place in pool play, the tie shall be broken by a 1 game playoff to 21 points using rally scoring.
- 6) The team that loses the last game of pool play is required to stay and work the 1st round of playoffs. If that team is in the playoffs, their opponent in the last match stays. If both are in the playoffs, the work team of the last match stays. If all three are in the playoffs, the remaining team with the worst record stays.
- 7) The losing team in playoff matches works the next playoff match. The loser of the last semi-final match to finish stays to work the final.
- 8) Straight seeding will be used for all playoff brackets. There will be no crossover.
- 9) All forfeited games shall be listed as “F11-6”, “F15-8”, “F21-11” or “F25-13” depending on the length of the games. If a player’s partner is injured, they can pick up a new partner. However, the remaining matches will officially be forfeited. If the opponents refuse to play, then it is the opponent who must forfeit. This is to allow everyone to get the full day of play they have paid for.
- 10) Teams are not allowed to strategically forfeit games. Any team forfeiting more than one match for any reason will be disqualified from the tournament and all of their games will be listed as “D11-0”, “D15-0”, “D21-0” or “D25-0” depending on the length of the games. Forfeiting games to split prizes is prohibited.
- 11) A division must have at least 3 teams to have a tournament and be eligible for prizes. Divisions with only 2 teams will be combined with other divisions.