

RULES

1. Teams are responsible for being at their courts & ready to play for their first match & all games until eliminated. "Ready to play" means that all team participants have signed their digital waivers at the Info tent & received a yellow wrist band, have checked in with their Pod Coordinator, & ready to take the court.
2. Teams not present 5 minutes after game announcement will forfeit the 1st game. Teams not present 10 minutes after game announcement will forfeit entire match.
3. Each Court **Play Match** consists of a **30 minute rally scoring game**. The game clock will run continuously except for the designated water break.
4. **Rally scoring** will be used throughout the match. A point is awarded on every rally, regardless of which team served.
5. Teams will continue accumulating points throughout the entire 30-minute match.
6. There is no maximum score; the team with the most points at the end of regulation time is the winner unless a tie exists.
7. Play & Game clock will be suspended during mandatory 5-minute water break at the 15-minute mark & resume when directed by officials.
8. A horn sounds at the expiration of the 30-minute regulation period, signaling the end of play. If the score is tied at the end of regulation, then the first team to gain a one-point advantage after the buzzer sounds wins the match.
9. Tournament officials reserve the right to adjust game times or procedures due to weather, safety concerns, field conditions, or tournament scheduling needs.
10. **After Court winners are determined**, Each team will play single elimination matches of best 2 out of 3 games. The first two games in the match are to 15 points. In the event of a tie, a third game will be played to 11 points. If circumstances require (e.g., weather delays), games may be shortened to speed up the pace of the tournament. The number of points in championship round games will be determined by the Tournament Director.
11. The ball must be served by the right back, behind the rear out-of-bounds line & may be hit in any manner with the hand. Prior to service, the ball may not be loaded with mud. Water buckets will be available.
12. It is a foul for players to touch the net.
13. Players of the serving team must rotate clockwise when receiving the ball serve, & the right back must serve.
14. Holding and throwing the ball while it is in play is a foul. The play must be a distinct batting of the ball.
15. Max three hits to a side. A player may not hit the ball twice in succession. A block is not considered a hit.
16. A ball may be played by any part of the body.
17. Only the front line is permitted to spike. it is a foul to spike with two hands.
18. Everyone participating must wear flat soled shoes. No bare feet in the courts. NO SPIKES.
19. Rules are subject to referee's interpretation. Referees' decisions are final.
20. Any player arguing with or abusing an official will be asked to leave and will cause his/her team to forfeit that match. A player ejected from a match will not be allowed to participate in any further matches.
21. Substituting will only be allowed from the serving position, except in cases of injury.
22. A court consists of a net and genuine KNIB Mud.
23. A player cannot play for more than one team at the same tournament.
24. A team consists of 8 or more players, 2 of whom must be women. Women don't need to interact with the ball during each play. Maximum of 8 people are allowed on the court at one time, We suggest that you have extra players in case of fatigue or injury.
25. Players need to be 16 & over. 16 and 17 years of age must have parental signature on digital waivers.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

ALCOHOL AT MUD VOLLEYBALL No alcohol is allowed in the court area. The Police will be onsite throughout the day and are responsible for enforcing this ordinance.

It is illegal to have or to consume carry-in alcoholic beverages in the park. This regulation has been waved for this event only.

MARIJUANA USE It remains illegal to use cannabis in public, in parks, in a car or truck, or near kids. The law prohibits use anywhere you can reasonably expect to be observed by others. **There is NO marijuana use allowed in the park at any time.**

- No animals are allowed in the court area. All animals must be leashed or crated.
- No glass is allowed. No exceptions.
- Large furniture or large grills are not recommended in the park.
- Basic First Aid is available at the First Aid Tent near to the Main stage.
- It is recommended that players wear high top shoes or secure their shoes to their feet with duct tape. Duct tape in many colors will be available to buy.
- We play rain or shine. In case of an electrical storm, the tournament will be reduced as necessary to determine a champion. The length of storm delay will be determined by the Tournament Director in consultation with Fire and Police Departments and information from the National Weather Service.
- Refunds for cancellations after registration cut off date will not be available.
- Souvenir t-shirts will be sold prior to the tournament by contacting KNIB as well as on event day. Cash, debit or credit will be accepted.
- **PICK UP YOUR OWN TRASH BEFORE YOU LEAVE & PLACE IT IN A DUMPSTER OR TRASH CONTAINER.**