

## RULES

1. Teams are responsible for being at their courts and ready to play for their first match and all subsequent games until eliminated from the tournament. "Ready to play" means that all team members have checked in with their Pod Coordinator, returned their signed waivers, made any other preparations to play, and are 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. Time between matches will vary. Each team is expected to be at their court at the scheduled time.
4. Each team is guaranteed 2 matches, best 2 out of 3. 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.
5. A team may win by one point.
6. The ball must be served by the right back, behind the rear out-of-bounds line and may be hit in any manner with the hand. Prior to service, the ball may not be loaded with mud. Water buckets available to clean the ball.
7. It is a foul for players to touch the net.
8. Players of the serving team must rotate clockwise when receiving the ball serve, and the right back must serve.
9. A point will be scored each time the ball is put into play, regardless of which team is serving.
10. Holding and throwing the ball while it is in play is a foul. The play must be a distinct batting of the ball.
11. Three hits to a side. A player may not hit the ball twice in succession. A block is not considered a hit.
12. A ball may be played by any part of the body.
13. Only the front line is permitted to spike. it is a violation to spike with two hands.
14. Everyone participating must wear flat soled shoes. No bare feet in the courts. **NO SPIKES.**
15. Rules are subject to referee's interpretation. Referees' decisions are final.
16. 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.
17. Substituting will only be allowed from the serving position, except in cases of injury.
18. A court consists of a net and genuine ball.
19. If a team is short of a player, arrangements must be made with the Tournament Director.

## TEAMS

- 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.
- Players must be at least 16 years of age. 16 and 17 years of age must have parental signature on waivers.
- A maximum of 8 people are allowed on the court at one time, two of whom must be women. We suggest that you have extra players in case of fatigue or injury.

## **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.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- 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 next 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 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 are not available after final registration day..
- 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.**