**Welcome to the Frostbite.** Please familiarize your team, coaches and parents with the formats and requirements for this tournament.

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* FACE MASKS ARE REQUIRED \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

To ensure that this and future events will be able to use the venues we are playing in, we need EVERYONE to comply and properly wear a mask. We want this weekend to be about athletes getting to play volleyball and not people’s views on masking. Remember, volunteers and onsite staff do not make the policies, they are simply the ones tasked with enforcing them. Your compliance is greatly appreciated!

Situations exempt from the face mask requirement:

* while actively eating or drinking
* athletes while on the court during physical activity.

**COVID INFO:**

* Everyone is expected to stay home if they are not feeling well or experiencing any COVID symptoms.
* Follow [CDC guidance](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/quarantine-isolation.html) on determining who can attend or not if you have players on the team who recently were in close contact with someone who tested positive.
* Masks are required,

\* Masks may be removed by Players on the court during physical activity if they choose, but must be put back on when they return to the team bench.

* Coaches are to monitor their team for compliance with masking while at the event.
* It is strongly encouraged to social distance when possible and avoid mixing with other teams.
* Teams will stay on the same side of the court the entire match.
* No team handshakes

**SCHEDULE & RESULTS**

The tournament schedule and match results are available on-line at Advanced Event Systems, [www.advancedeventsystems.com](http://www.advancedeventsystems.com). Results and schedule updates are posted on AES as matches finish throughout the event.

**Format**

All teams are seeded into groups of four teams for the "First Round" of pool play, which starts at 8:00am Saturday. All teams will be seeded into new four team groups for the "Second Round" of pool play, which will start immediately after the results from the first wave are posted on Saturday and conclude on Sunday. After the second wave of pool play all teams will be seeded into the "Third Round" of single elimination playoff brackets.

All matches will play the best 2 of 3 rally score sets. The first two sets will be 25 points, no cap win by two. The third set, if required, will be a set to 15, no cap win by two points.

Teams will be seeded to the next round of play according to the won/lost results in their pool play.

**TIE BREAKER PROCEDURES**

1. Two way ties:
   1. Result of Head to Head pool play match
2. 3 or more teams tied:
   1. Set percentage (Sets won/total sets played)
   2. Point Differential based on that entire pool play
   3. Coin Toss

**The 2022 USAV Rules and JVA modifications will apply to all matches with the following clarification's and exceptions:**

1. **The first match on Saturday will start at 8:00 am.** **The first match on Sunday will start at 9:00 am.** All other matches will be played in order. Teams are to be ready to play when their match is sequentially ready to be played.
2. Team listed 1st on the schedule will be the home team and take the bench on the right when facing the benches from the court. The team listed 2nd on the schedule will take the bench to the left
3. **A 10 min. warm up the 2-4-4 format** will be used for **ALL** matches. The first two minutes will be for ball handling, followed by 4 minutes on the court for the serving team and then 4 minutes for the receiving team. The referee will conduct a coin toss for the first set and if necessary the third set. Court officials will use the scoreboard clock to time warm-ups and time between sets.
4. **6 Players to Play:** Teams not having six players when called to the end line at the beginning of a match will forfeit the first set. The team will forfeit the match if they do not have six players within ten minutes after forfeiting the first set.
5. **Protest:** Only rule interpretations can be protested, not judgment calls made by the officials. A protest must be filed at the time of the infraction and settled before the set continues. A protest will be resolved by a committee of the First Referee, Head Official, and the Site Director. The committee will vote to deny or uphold the protest. Their decision is final.
6. **JVA Libero:** Teams may change libero(s) EVERY set, even if 2 are selected at the start of the match

**OFFICIALS**

“Up” referees will be provided for all matches. When scheduled, each team will provide two line judges, a scorekeeper, a scoreboard operator, a libero tracker and a 2nd (Down) referee. Teams must be on time for their refereeing responsibilities as if they were playing, see Exception 3, above, for penalties. **The 2ND Ref can be a coach or a player with the team coach assisting from the scorer’s table or standing near the player ref.**

**PLAYING LOCATIONS**

**National Volleyball Center (NVC)** *Courts 1-11*

2601 Viola Road NE, Rochester, MN 55906.

**Rochester Regional Sports Center (RRSC)** *Courts 12-17*

851 30th Avenue SE, Rochester MN 55906

**EVENT SHIRTS**

Special “Frostbite” shirts are available for sale at all sites with limited supply and sizes. We print a fixed number of shirts. There will not be any restocking on Sunday.

Long Sleeve: $20.00

Short Sleeve: $15.00

**ADMISSION**

$10 – Adult Weekend Pass or $8 Daily

$5 – Student/Seniors Weekend Pass or $4 Daily

(K-College & Seniors 62+)

**FAN BEHAVIOR –** All fans, spectators, coaches, players and officials are expected to behave in a fair and supportive manor throughout the event. Your purchase for admission allows you to show your support for great volleyball play in a sportsman like manner, abiding by all event policies for players, coaches, officials, teams, and spectators. If at any time you are requested by a match official, event staff or a team coach to modify your behavior at this event you are required to do so. Failure to immediately comply with their request will be cause for removal from the event and you must leave the building and the property where the event is held. Failure to do this will be considered as trespassing and authorities will be called for your removal. ***If you observe unsportsmanlike conduct from spectators, players, coaches or officials, please inform a RYVA Event Staff person, wearing an Event Staff shirt.***

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