



Star of the North
Volleyball Tournament Rules
Rochester, MN
June 15-16th, 2019

PRE-EVENT TO DO LIST:

1. **Rosters:** Must be submitted on Advanced Event Systems before coming to the tournament.
2. **Participant Release of Liability Form:** This form needs to be filled out and signed for every participant on the roster. If a player is on the roster but has not filled out the Release of Liability Form they will not be able to participate.
3. **Entry Fee:** Must be paid before coming to the tournament. Payments may be made by check to Rochester Sports: 30 Civic Center Drive SE, Rochester, MN 55904. Or by credit card by calling 507-285-8448.

TEAM CHECK -IN:

There **WILL NOT** be an onsite check-in this year. All “Pre-Event to Do” items must be completed in advance to coming to the tournament. Once you have updated your team roster in AES and have had all rostered players fill out the Participant Release of Liability Form please email this to Linsy Hoosier. lhoosier@rochestermnsports.org, by 5:00pm on Friday before the event.

MEDICAL AUTHORIZATION

Medical authorization forms are required for all players. A copy of the Medical Authorization forms must be on hand by the coach at all times. USAV/AAU/JVA Medical Release Forms are allowed. If your team is not sanctioned by any of these organizations, each participant must fill out the Star of the North Medical Release form found in the resources tab on the website.

ADMISSIONS

Weekend passes will be \$8 Adults, \$4 Students/Senior, and 5 & under free. All athletes and up to two coaches per team receive free admission

PLAYING SITE

All matches will be played at the National Volleyball Center and the Rochester Regional Sports Center. Teams will not be allowed to set up team “buffets” or bring in electrical devices to serve warm food. We also ask that No coolers be brought into the facilities.

ATHLETIC TRAINERS

There will be no Athletic Trainer on site. It is the responsibility of each team to provide their own non-emergency medical supplies, including bandages, water, etc. There will be ice provided at each site if needed.

MINNESOTA CONCUSSION LAW

- This tournament requires compliance with Minnesota Statute 121A.37 in accordance with the Youth Concussion Policies. All participating coaches and referees are required to have taken concussion training within the past three years. The US Center for Disease Control and Prevention has a free, online course entitled Concussion Training for Coaches (and referees), accessible by the following link: http://www.cdc.gov/concussion/HeadsUp/online_training.html

COMPETITION FORMAT

All Matches will be the best 2 of 3 set matches (25,25,15) with no cap.

18's Division: Teams will play in a seven-team pool starting at 8:00am Saturday and will conclude on Sunday morning. All teams will then be seeded into the single elimination playoff brackets after the results from pool play are posted.

16's Division: Teams will play in a six-team pool starting at 8:00am Saturday. Sunday all teams will then be seeded into playoff brackets where all positions will be played out to give everyone 2 more matches.

Please note: With most teams playing or working the majority of the day we will take a 45-minute lunch break after the 4th match on Saturday to give everyone a chance to eat.

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MEDALS

Medals will be awarded to all 1st and 2nd place winners in each bracket.

OFFICIALS AND REFEREE DUTIES

The Star of the North Games will provide a "First Referee" for all matches. All teams will provide additional official ("refing") help as scheduled throughout the tournament. When scheduled, each team will provide two line judges; a scorekeeper, a scoreboard operator, and a coach/adult as the Second Referee (bring a whistle.) Teams must be on time for their refing responsibilities as if they were playing. Teams which do not show up for their scheduled refing will lose the first set of their next match by a 0-25 score.

After losing in the playoff's teams should check with the Site manager to make sure they do not have a commitment to referee one more match. Teams failing to fulfill their referee duties in the playoffs may face a sanction and/or financial penalty at the 2020 Star of the North Summer Games.

RULES:

NFHS/MSHSL Volleyball Rules will apply to all matches. The following are rules and/or policies for this specific event that may be different from what you are used to, so please review before you play:

- Players may not, at any time during play, step on an adjacent court.
- The ceilings in all gyms are in play regardless of the height above the playing floor.
- Net contact is always a fault, except contact by loose hair or the force of a ball hit by the opponent pushes the net or net cables into player.
- The team listed 2nd on the schedule will call the coin toss for the first set and, if necessary, the team listed 1st will call the toss for the third set. Winner of coin toss can choose serve/receive or playing area.
- Warm ups will be ten minutes for any teams first match of the day and five-minutes for all other matches. During a ten minute warm-up teams will share the court for ball handling for two minutes, the serving team will get the court for 4 minutes, and then the receiving team gets the court for the

final 4 minutes. For five minute warm-ups the times are reduced to 1,2,2. **Teams need to bring their own volleyballs for warm ups.**

- Teams not having six players when called to the end line at the beginning of a match will forfeit the first set after one minute. The team will forfeit the next set and match if they do not have six players within ten minutes after forfeiting the first set.
- Teams are allowed 18 substitutions.
- After the ball is released for service, it may be caught or allowed to drop to the floor to get a re-serve.
 - Only one re-serve per player per term of service.
 - Ball does not need to be tossed/released before contact.
 - Time allowed for service (contact) – five seconds.
- Player can touch opponent's court with feet or hands, provided some part of the extremity is on or above the center line
- The Libero will be allowed to serve in one rotation for each set.
- Personal electronic devices are not to be used by the officiating team while they are "working" the match.
- Coach must request to review a decision by requesting a time-out. Such request must be made during the dead ball immediately following situation in question. If the referee's decision stands, time-out is charged to team. If no time-outs remain (loss of rally).

RESULTS

Results and schedule updates will be posted on Advanced Event Systems (AES) as matches finish throughout the event. Each team's coach should check for accuracy of score entry after each match to ensure accurate placement at the end of each round. Any discrepancies should be brought to the attention of the site director as soon as possible. Paper copies of schedules with limited result information will be posted in the facility lobby. Overall record will determine pool-play finishes. In the case of ties in the overall record, a tie breaking procedure will be used. See next section.



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TIEBREAKER RULES

Tie breaking procedure:

If 2 teams tie with the same pool-play match record, the tiebreaker will be head-to-head competition.

If 3 teams tie with the same pool-play match record follow this hierarchy of tiebreakers:

1. The winning percentages of total sets played within that current pool are compared. (i.e., 5-3 would be first seed, 4-3 would be second seed, and 4-4 would be 3rd seed.) If all three teams had the same winning percentage, the #2 tiebreaker will be used.
2. The most favorable point differential in ALL sets played within that pool will be compared. If all three teams had the same point differential, the #3 tiebreaker will be used.
3. Blind draw to determine the highest-seeded team

INAPPROPRIATE ACTIVITY

1. Any player found using any alcoholic beverages, tobacco or illegal drugs will be expelled from the tournament.
2. Any player who destroys or steals property will be expelled from the tournament.
3. Tournament officials reserve the right to expel from the tournament any coach, player, bystander, or team for gross misconduct on or off the playing field.
4. All players, coaches, and fans are expected to display the highest standards of sportsmanship and respect for other players, referees, fans, and tournament volunteers and staff.
5. The Star of the North Games is a tobacco-free event. No tobacco use by players, coaches, or spectators.

TOURNAMENT CONTACT INFORMATION

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Tournament Website: <https://www.rochestermnsports.org/events/star-of-the-north-games.html>