

VOLLEYBALL – BEACH – OPEN
Volleyball – 2 and 4 Person Teams Men’s/Women’s

QUALIFYING RULES

1. For 2021, Beach Volleyball event will be classified as an “OPEN Event”. Teams do not need to qualify at a 2020 qualifier.

ENTRY REGULATIONS

1. Teams must be of one gender.
2. Team roster shall be limited to (4) players for 2-person team and (6) players for a 4-person team including non-playing coach.
3. At the National Senior Games athletes may compete on up to two teams per sport providing that the teams are in different age divisions that are scheduled to play in completely separate sessions.
4. Age divisions for all team competition will be determined by the age of the youngest team member as of December 31, 2021.

FORMAT

1. Depending on the number of teams registered, match play is 2 of 3 sets, with the first 2 sets to 21-points (win by 2) and a 15-point 3rd set (win by 2) if needed OR, for Pool Play only, 2 Sets to 21 (win by 2). The final playoff format will be determined at the discretion of the NSGA.
2. First through fourth place awards will be presented within each age Division.
3. Teams will be required to provide line judges and scorekeepers during competition.
4. Net height shall be in accordance with USA Volleyball rules.
5. Default during competition Rule S will be strictly enforced.
6. Awards will be presented for 1st through 4th place within each age/skill division.

SPORT RULES

1. All matches will be conducted in accordance with USA Beach Volleyball rules, except as modified herein. For a copy of the complete rules, please visit:

USAV DCR (Rulebook)
Volleyballreftraining.com

2. Team clothing should be of like design and color.
3. A team must have at least three players present to start a game; otherwise, the game is forfeited. In the event of injury, a team may continue/finish with a minimum of three players.
4. Net contact is only penalized if the player is in the action of play
5. The imaginary centerline can be crossed as long as there is no interference with the opponent.
6. In pool play, USA Volleyball rules governing tie-breakers will be used.
7. All players may attack at the net (but, never with open-handed tipping.)
8. Any setting action toward the opponent must be executed by being square to the direction of the ball.
9. Sets that drift over the net (meant for a teammate, but unintentionally goes over) will be permitted.
10. A hard-driven ball can have multiple contacts, if one attempt, in a defensive/reactive manner (not offensive action.)
11. May never block or attack a serve.
12. Block contact counts as one of the 3 allowable hits per side.
13. Teams will provide LJ’s and Scorer’s during competition.
14. Team Jerseys must be of like color, design and numbered.
15. Play will only be halted for a threat of lightning or other unplayable weather factors (wind, darkness etc.)
16. **Unsportsmanlike Conduct:** Any player, coach, captain, non-bench personnel or team that displays unsportsmanlike conduct on or off of the playing field or court, including but not limited to abusive/foul language, harassment of tournament officials/umpires, interference during the seeding process may be ejected from the facility and eliminated from the competition.