

**7.23.1 General Rules/Policies**

- A. Classes** - There are six classes: B, A, AA, AAA, AAAA and AAAAA.
- B. Practice Dates** - Practice may begin on Monday of Week #7.
- C. Practice Requirement** - Each team or individual must have at least five (5) days of practice before competing in a match.
- D. NMAA District Clinic** - The head coach from each declared volleyball school must attend the NMAA district clinic at the NMHSCA Coaches Clinic or complete the district clinic online at [www.nmact.org](http://www.nmact.org) between August 1<sup>st</sup> and August 31<sup>st</sup>. Failure to comply shall result in a \$100 fine to the school which will be assessed on September 1<sup>st</sup>.
- E. Match Limitation** - Each varsity team or individual is limited to (20) total matches prior to the district tournament, including regular season and invitational tournaments. Each sub-varsity team or individual is limited to seventeen (17) total matches, including regular season and invitational tournaments. End-of-season/district tournament matches for junior varsity, if applicable, are counted toward the seventeen (17) total match limitations.
- F. Match Scoring** - Varsity matches are decided based on the scores for five games using the best 3 out of 5 format. Sub-varsity regular season matches use the best 2 out of 3 games. All varsity and sub-varsity matches will utilize rally scoring throughout.

Exception: For invitational tournaments, the host school determines what format is used for its own tournament (2 out of 3 or 3 out of 5, with rally scoring).

- G. Scoring-** Rally scoring will be used in all games. The game will be played to 25 points per game with no “cap,” except that the deciding game will be played to 15 points with no “cap.” In rally scoring, every service except a re-play or re-serve results in a point, regardless of which team is serving. If the serving team wins the rally, it receives a point and continues its serve. If the receiving team wins the rally, it receives a point and the ball for service. No “cap” means that once the number of game points has been achieved (25 points or 15 points for the deciding game), the winner must be determined by a margin of two points with no “cap” or maximum on the number of points.
- H. Pool play** - Pool play (modified games/matches such as 2 games to 15) for seeding purposes during an invitational tournament is allowed and does not count toward the match limitations; however, a tournament with an "all pool play" format is not permitted.

**I. Individual Game Limitations**

- 1. When two schools meet to play two matches involving varsity and sub-varsity teams on a given day or night, each player is limited to a maximum of five games.

<u>Prior Match</u>	<u>Succeeding Match</u>
Plays in 1 game	May play in 4 games
Plays in 2 games	May play in 3 games
Plays in 3 games	May play in 2 games
Plays in 4 games	May play in 1 game only

- 2. When two schools meet to play two matches involving any combination of sub-varsity team levels on a given day or night, each player is limited to a maximum of four games.

<u>Prior Match</u>	<u>Succeeding Match</u>
Plays in 1 game	May play in 3 games
Plays in 2 games	May play in 2 games
Plays in 3 games	May play in 1 game

**NOTE:** Sub-varsity is defined as any level below varsity, including Junior High/Middle School.

**J. Libero Trackers**

It is the responsibility of the host team to provide a libero tracker. If the home team does NOT use a libero, then the visiting team must provide their own libero tracker.

**K. School Co-op Participation**

Two class A schools with a combined enrollment of 125 students or less can petition the Executive Director to co-op in the sport of volleyball. At least one of the schools must show proof that they do not have enough willing participants to field their own team.

**7.23.2 Officials**

- A. Officials working NMAA sanctioned events must be registered through the Association. Schools are required to use two (2) NMAA/NMOA officials for regular season sanctioned contests.
- B. Use of an official not registered with the NMAA for matches subjects the violating school to a fine. Fines/fees are determined by the Board annually.

**7.23.3 District Alignments 2010/11thru 2013/14**

**AAAAA VOLLEYBALL – 21 SCHOOLS – 5 DISTRICTS (1651-Above)**

District 1	District 2	District 3	District 4	District 5
Cibola	Eldorado	Alamogordo	Carlsbad	ABQ. High
Cleveland	La Cueva	Gadsden	Clovis	Highland
Rio Rancho	Manzano	Las Cruces	Hobbs	Rio Grande
Volcano Vista	Sandia	Mayfield		Valley
		Oñate		West Mesa

**AAAA VOLLEYBALL – 27 SCHOOLS – 6 DISTRICTS (901-1650)**

District 1	District 2	District 3	District 4	District 5	District 6
Aztec	Bernalillo	Chaparral	Artesia	ABQ. Academy	Belen
Bloomfield	Capital	Deming	Goddard	Atrisco Heritage	Gallup
Farmington	Española	Santa Teresa	Roswell	Del Norte	Grants
Kirtland Central	Los Alamos			Moriarty	Los Lunas
Piedra Vista	Santa Fe			St. Pius	Miyamura
					Valencia

**AAA VOLLEYBALL – 23 SCHOOLS – 5 DISTRICTS (401-900)**

District 1	District 2	District 3	District 4	District 5
Crownpoint	Raton	Cobre	Lovington	Hope Christian
Shiprock	Robertson	Hatch Valley	Portales	Pojoaque
Thoreau	Taos	Hot Springs	Ruidoso	St. Michael's
Tohatchi	West Las Vegas	Silver		Sandia Prep
Wingate		Socorro		Santa Fe Indian
Zuni				

**AA VOLLEYBALL – 30 SCHOOLS – 7 DISTRICTS (151-400)**

District 1	District 2	District 3	District 4
Navajo Pine	Monte Del Sol	Bosque	Clayton
Navajo Prep	Mora	East Mountain	Santa Rosa
Rehoboth	Pecos	Estancia	Texico
Newcomb	Penasco	Laguna Acoma	Tucumcari
	Santa Fe Prep	Magdalena	
District 5	District 6	District 7	
Dexter	Cloudcroft	Cuba	
Eunice	Lordsburg	Dulce	
Loving	Mesilla Valley	Jemez Valley	
NMMI	Tularosa	Mesa Vista	

**A VOLLEYBALL – 32 SCHOOLS – 8 DISTRICTS (71-150)**

District 1	District 2	District 3	District 4
Cimarron	Alamo Navajo	Fort Sumner	Coronado
Des Moines	Desert Academy	Logan	Escalante
Questa	Evangel Christian	Melrose	McCurdy
Springer	Menaul		
	Mountainair		
	Temple Baptist		
	To'Hajiilee		
District 5 Bi-District	District 6	District 7	District 8
Animas- A	Gallup Catholic	Capitan	Dora
Carrizozo- B	Pine Hill	Gateway Christian	Floyd
Quemado- B	Ramah	Hagerman	Jal
Reserve- B	Shiprock NW	Mescalero	Tatum
	Tse Yi Gai		

**B VOLLEYBALL – 17 SCHOOLS – 4 DISTRICTS (0-70)**

District 1B	District 2B	District 3B	District 4B Bi-District
NMSD	Clovis Christian	Corona	Animas- A
SF Waldorf	Elida	Hondo	Carrizozo- B
Victory Christian	Grady	Lake Arthur	Quemado- B
Walatowa	House	Valley Christian	Reserve- B
	Roy/ Mosquero	Vaughn	
	San Jon		

#### 7.23.4 District Tournaments

- A. **Date** - Week #19 for All Classes
- B. **Roster Limitation** - Each team is limited to twelve (12) uniformed squad members. Rosters may not be changed during the tournament from the original list submitted.
- C. **Event Conduct** - The site, seeding, bracket personnel and other items are left to the discretion of the schools in the district. The district tournament is under the direction of the district chairperson or his/her designee.
- D. **Qualifying Procedures for the State Tournament**

In All Classes, the regular season District Champion and the District Tournament Champion (could be one or two per district) advance to the NMAA State Tournament with the rest of the field being made up of at-large berths.

- E. **District Tie-Breaking Procedures to Determine Placement**

*(to be used by ALL districts within the sport of volleyball)*

1. A schools must play each member of the district an equal number of times to be eligible for the championship.
2. District placement is determined by district play record.
3. If two teams are tied for 1<sup>st</sup> place there will be an automatic playoff game to determine the #1 and 2 seeds. This game will be played at a neutral site as determined by the NMAA Executive Director.
4. In the event that more than two teams are tied, placement is determined using the following procedures:
  - a. The team with the better head to head record in district play between the tied teams will have earned higher placement.
  - b. If more than two teams are still tied, then the head to head games within the district matches between the tied teams will be used to determine placement (i.e, 3-0, 3-1, 3-2). The top two teams will then have a playoff game to determine the #1 and 2 seeds.
  - c. If a tie of more than two teams still exists, then the head to head points within the district matches between the tied teams will be used to determine placement (i.e., 25-20, 20-25, 25-17, 18-25, 15-13). The top two teams will then have a playoff game to determine the #1 and #2 seeds.
  - d. If more than two teams are still tied, then the difference in points scored vs. points given up during the head to head district matches between the tied teams will be used to determine placement (i.e 25-20, would be + 5, 16-25 would be - 9). The top two teams will then have a playoff game to determine the #1 and #2 seeds.
  - e. If a tie of more than two teams still exists, a coin flip will be used to determine placement. The NMAA Executive Director or designee in conjunction with the tied schools will conduct the flip. Three coins will be tossed with the odd team receiving 3<sup>rd</sup> place and the remaining two teams having a playoff game to determine the #1 and #2 seeds.

5. Ties for second place or lower

a. When two or more teams are tied for second place or lower, please adhere to 4 a thru e above. Please understand that a playoff game shall not be included in the process.

**F. Financial Reports** - A report, along with the distribution, must be made to the NMAA on or before the appropriate deadlines. The report, money, and unused tickets are due twenty-five (25) calendar days after the conclusion of the event. The percentage of gate receipts remitted is set annually by the Board upon recommendation from the Director.

**7.23.5 Class 3A-5A State Tournament Information**

**A. Dates**

Selection/Seeding –All Classes – Sunday of Week #20

Pool Play– Class B-AAAAAA- Thursday of Week #20

1<sup>st</sup> Round of State – Classes A thru AAAAAA- Thursday of Week #20

Quarterfinals – All Classes – Friday of Week #20

Semifinals – All Classes – Friday of Week #20

Finals – All Classes – Saturday of Week #20

**B. Roster Limitation**

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**C. State Tournament**

The regular season District Champion and the District Tournament Champion (could be one or two per district) advance to the NMAA State Tournament with the rest of the field being made up of at-large berths. Classes A thru AAAAAA will compete in a 12 team bracket while Class B will complete in an 8 team bracket.

**D. Officials' Fees** - Fees for state tournament officials are based on the number of games called plus mileage and per diem if applicable.