

2010  
First Coast Festival  
Volleyball Tournament

Dear Teams and Coaches,

Welcome to the 2010 First Coast Festival. The Florida Region USAV and the Jacksonville Junior Volleyball Association are proud to host this event. This event will feature 80 teams playing a 2 day format.

Florida Region USAV and the JJVA hope you have a great time here in Jacksonville. We have a great city and we are proud of it. Please ask any JJVA player, parent or coach if you have a need of anything.

Good luck! Have fun, but most importantly, leave the tournament knowing that you played hard, had a great time, and made lots of new friends.

Thanks for visiting with us this weekend.

Sincerely,

*Mary Andrew*, Director

Jacksonville Juniors Volleyball Association

## General Information

**Tournament Admission Prices: \$3 a day or \$5 for a Two Day Pass.  
Children 10 and under and coaches and players are admitted free.**

1. Coolers/outside food and drink will not be allowed inside of the facilities. Come prepared to prepare and eat your food outside of the facility.
2. Please bring players medical forms to be verified at the check in and coaches should keep USAV medical forms with them at all times. Teams must have USAV rosters with them also.
3. Teams should pay close attention to all playing and officiating schedules. Teams late for their officiating duties will be penalized according to USAV policies.
4. Parents, players and coaches will be held to the highest behavioral code for sportsmanship. Any behavior deemed by the site director to be unsportsmanlike in nature will be reason for dismissal from the facility.
5. Trainers will be available during the tournament. Please have your own supplies available if you wish to have a trainer person taping.
6. Format – All pools with 4 teams will be the best 2 out of 3 sets. The first two sets are to 25 points, and the deciding set is to 15, win by two points with no cap. All pools with three teams will play three straight sets to 25, unless a cross pool match is assigned. A teams finish in pool play will determined by match results first, followed by winning game percentage.
7. Warm up is 2-4-4 format. There will be NO shared hitting allowed. Teams may not warm up in walkways – this is a new region rule and must be followed by every team.
8. Please obey all parking and other signs and rules for the facility in which your team will be playing.
9. **Teams are responsible to clean up their water bottles and other debris from the bench area after they finish their match and leave the court area. Please address your teams but respecting the facility in which they play.**

## **Officiating Responsibilities**

We will provide a certified 1<sup>st</sup> referee for each match.

Each team is responsible for supplying 1 down official, 2 lines judges, 1 scorekeeper, 1 visible scorekeeper, and 1 libero tracker. Each team must provide its own whistles. Failure to provide officiating for your next assigned match could result in a forfeit of the first game of your next match. For every minute your team is late, one point is given to the opponent in your match, up to the 25-0 forfeit. The second offense will result in the loss of your match.

A team's failure to meet its officiating responsibilities could result in the team having to forfeit the first set of their next match. For every minute an officiating team is late to fulfill its assignment, one point will be awarded to the team's next opponent for the first game of the next match – up to 25 points. No more than 25 points will be awarded to the team's next opponent, even if the team designated to officiate misses the entire match. The clock begins to run at the completion of warm ups.

### **Awards**

- ◆ The Gold Divisions will receive a tournament plaque for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place. Gold Champions and Gold Division Runner Up players will receive individual medals. Silver Division winning teams will receive plaques.

### **Athletic Trainers/First Aid**

Athletic trainers will be located at all sites. These professionals will be happy to assist you with injuries. We ask that should you need taping, you bring your own supplies. All site directors will have first aid kits available. Any serious injuries should be reported to the site director immediately.

### **Match Times**

The **FIRST MATCH** of any round or wave will not begin before its scheduled time. Within a pool or after the first match, a match may begin as much as fifteen minutes before the scheduled starting time, providing the two teams, the officiating team, the referee and the tournament staff agree to it and there is sufficient time for the warm up protocol. Official assignments may not always make an early start possible.

### **Tie Breaking Procedure**

At the conclusion of pool play, teams in the pool will be ranked according to their match record. If a tie exists in the match record, the tie will be broken by the game win/loss ratio. If teams are tied in the set win/loss ratio a point differential system will be used.

## **Information for ALL COACHES**

ALL tie -breaker games will be played at the end of each wave. Do not leave the gym if you are in a tie-breaking situation. Do not leave the gym until all pool play is finished. You could forfeit, if you leave before a tie-breaker.

It is each team's responsibility to determine their Saturday finish and report to any **officiating assignment** that they may have prior to their scheduled play on Sunday morning. Failure to report to your appropriate court on Sunday morning will carry the penalties outlined under "Officiating Responsibilities". If you are in doubt, check with the gym director.

### **SATURDAY WAVE TIMES – 4 TEAM POOLS**

**AM WAVE:** 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM

**PM WAVE:** 2:00 PM – 7:00 PM

### **SATURDAY WAVE TIMES - 3 TEAM POOLS**

**AM WAVE:** 8:00 AM – 11:00 AM

**PM WAVE:** 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM (Later with a cross pool match)

**SUNDAY – Starting times will vary by facility or age group.**

## **RULES**

USAV RULES APPLY. FOUR TEAM POOLS WILL PLAY 2/3 GAMES TO 25, WITH A DECIDING GAME TO 15, NO CAP.

THREE TEAM POOLS WILL PLAY 3 STRAIGHT GAMES TO 25 POINTS, NO CAP unless there is a cross pool match – then teams will play 2/3 Games.

## **WARM-UP**

There will be no shared hitting time during warm ups. Warm up time will be 2-4-4 for all matches.

**Players may not warm up in spectator areas.**

## **PROTESTS**

If a protest is to be filed, it must be done at the time of the incident. NOT LATER. The first referee is obligated to acknowledge and record all protests. Only the floor captain may file the protests. (The exception to this is the 14 division and under, where the acting team coach may act.) The protest must be written on the score sheet and by the scorer or the official and must be signed by the floor captains and the referee. The protested game will be completed, but before the next game begins, the protest must be ruled upon. A protest cannot be filed at the end of the game or match and judgment calls cannot be protested. Once a protest is recorded it will be called in to the Championship desk and presented to the protest committee. The decision of the committee is final.