

Rule Changes - 2019-2020

There are very few changes in this year's Volleyball Canada Rulebook

- Ball Standards (Rule 3.1) – inside pressure and official balls for VC National Championships
- Characteristics of the hit (Rule 9.2.3) – receiving serve with overhand motion using fingers not permitted for 14U and younger competitions
- Libero (Rule 19.1.1) – use of libero for 16U boys is permitted
- Concussion Management Pathway – new chart of concussions

What's new in 2018-2019?

Significant changes to the *2018-2019 Referee Guidelines* are underlined in this document. The following are changes to the Rules in the Volleyball Canada Rulebook:

NOTE: All FIVB specific rules have been move to Section IV of the Rulebook (New).

4.5 Forbidden Objects

4.5.3 **Volleyball Canada: Compression wear can be any single solid colour. The single solid colour does not need to be the same for each player.**

15.6 Limitation of Substitutions

15.6.1 **Limited Substitution** - A player of the starting line-up may leave the game, but only once in a set, and re-enter, but only once in a set, and only to his/her previous position in the line-up.

15.6.2 **Limited Substitution** - A substitute player may enter the game in the place of a player of the starting line-up, but only once per set, and he/she can only be substituted by the same starting player.

15.6.3 **Unlimited Substitution** - A player of the starting line-up may leave the game multiple times and re-enter and only to his/her previous position in the line-up.

15.6.4 **Unlimited Substitution** - A substitute player may enter the game multiple times in the place of a player of the starting line-up and he/she can only be substituted by the same starting player.

Age Class Variations

13U Volleyball

No player specialization: Each rotation will have a different designated player assuming the role of setter. Before the beginning of the set the coach must note on the scoresheet which court position the setter will be in. This can be court position #1, #2 or #3. However it is strongly recommended that court position #1 only be used for advanced 13U teams capable of adding this level of difficulty without reducing the number of rallies or pass, set, attack sequences

5.2 Coach

5.2.3.2 **sits on the team bench, but may leave it;**

5.2.3.3 **requests time-outs and substitutions.**

All time-outs and substitutions are to be requested by the Coach from the end of the bench nearest to the scorer when he/she is sitting or from the extension of the attack line in the free zone when he/she is standing or walking. **Such requests where the coach is not in the position as indicated, will be considered an improper request (Rule 15.11).**

Also because of the change in 5.2.3.3, we propose adding another rule for Improper Request;

15.11.1 It is improper to request any regular game interruption:

15.11.1.1 during a rally or at the moment of, or after the whistle to serve (Rule 6.1.3 & 15.2.1);

15.11.1.2 by a non-authorized team member (Rule 15.2.1);

15.11.1.3 for a second substitution by the same team during the same interruption (i.e. before the end of next completed rally), except in the case of injury/ illness of a player in play;

15.11.1.4 after having exhausted the authorized number of time-outs and substitutions (Rule 15.1).

15.11.1.5 **by a coach that is not at the end of the bench nearest the scorer when sitting or from the extension of the attack line in the free zone when standing or walking.**