

## 2009 CYO BOYS' SAND VOLLEYBALL RULE EXCEPTIONS

CYO Boys' Sand Volleyball league games will be played according to the rules of the 2008–2009 Volleyball Rules from the National Federation of State High School Associations with the following CYO rule exceptions:

1. **Net Height:** The official net height is *seven (7) feet* or whatever is available at the site.
2. **Uniforms:** Players must wear shirts. In tournament play, players must have a clearly visible number on the uniform jersey. Wearing socks is suggested.
3. **All Participation Rule:** Each healthy, uniformed player present must play.
4. **Server Rotation:** The serving team shall rotate each time a server serves five consecutive points in a game.
5. **Spiking Line:** The spiking line (10 foot line) will not be included.
6. **Number of Players:** The number of players on the court shall be four. A team must begin with four players. In non-tournament play, a team can begin with three players.
7. **Position on the Court:** There are no positional faults. Players may position themselves anywhere on their court. Two feet can go under the net as long as there is no contact or interference with an opposing player. Substitutes must substitute for the same player / position in the service order throughout the game.
8. **Hits:** Open hand dinks are not allowed. No “faked” serves are allowed over the net. No intentional sets over the net are allowed. No intentional “heading” is allowed. No setting is allowed on the first hit on the serve. **Point of Emphasis:** Coaches will encourage their teams to hit three times on their side.
9. **Standings:** There will be no league standings kept. All teams are invited to participate in the end of the season tournament. The tiebreakers in tournament are: (1) Best record; (2) Head-to-head; (3) Point spread.
10. **Scoring:** Rally scoring will be used and the let serve is allowed. The tournament director will decide the number of games to the match and the number of points to win a game. Generally, games are played to 15 points; teams must win by 2 unless, if the score is tied 19-19, the team will win by 1. Teams will switch sides when the first team scores 7 points.
11. **Time Outs:** There is one time out per team per regulation game in preliminary play. (One additional in “overtime). Regular time out rules in tournament play will apply.
12. **Eligibility:** CYO eligibility rules are in effect including residence, age, grade. (Girls are allowed to participate only if they did not participate in the 2008–2009 girls CYO volleyball season.)
13. **Prayer:** There will be prayer with all teams participating prior to each grade division and lead by one of the teams.