

# Volleyball Tournament Format and Rules 2021

## **Pool Play:**

Overall format of the tournament will have teams start in pools (approx. 3-5 teams per pool with placement based on regular season win-loss records). Each team will play a round robin of sets against the other teams in their pool. Pool play sets will NOT be full matches. They will consist of a single set to 25 points (rally scoring, must win by 2). Home team is determined by coin flip before each game. Coaches must be prepared to provide a linesperson and a scorekeeper for each set.

### **Substitution Rules/Playing Requirements during pool play:**

Follow regular season requirements. Each player must play the minimum playing time required in each individual set.

## **Bracket Play:**

The results of pool play (ranked by win-loss records) will be used to place teams in elimination brackets (1 or 2 matches per team). Bracket play matches will be best 2 out of 3 sets (following regular season match rules, *except no time limit is applied*). Home team is determined by coin flip before each match. Coaches must be prepared to provide a linesperson and a scorekeeper for each match.

### **Substitution Rules/Playing Requirements during bracket play:**

Follow regular season requirements. Each player must play the minimum playing time required in each match.

## **Tie-Breakers to determine rankings in pool play:**

1. Head to Head Results
2. Cumulative point differential during pool play
3. Coin Toss

## **Pre-Game Warm Up:**

We ask that all teams be ready to take the court for warm-ups immediately following completion of the preceding match/set. Warm-up time will be limited to three minutes if the previous game extends into your starting time.