

Volleyball Officials Memo #3

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Below are a few volleyball rules and procedures for your review. Please take the time to understand them so we all can enforce them consistently and correctly.

Players Standing at End of Bench – Only the players that are in the active rotation may stand behind or at the end of the bench. If the players in the active rotation are standing, they are not allowed to stand in the playable area.

Timeout Ends with Horn – Double whistle at 15 seconds. There should be a horn when the R2 signals how many timeouts have been taken and the R1 should mimic this back to the benches.

For a time-out that ends early, when both teams are ready to play before 0:15 left on the clock, the officials will double whistle and direct the horn to be blown, then give the how many timeouts have been taken to the R1 and the R1 should mimic this back to the benches. The R2 should discuss this with the scorer's bench before the match starts.

Coaches' Lineup Sheets – Be proactive in asking the coaches to write a new lineup on the lineup sheet for every set.

Home/Visitor Benches – Officials flip for home and visitor for weekend tournaments. Home team has the choice of side of court and visitor will call the second flip for serve or receive.

Court Disadvantage – Officials should not ask coaches at the pre-match meeting if they think there is a court disadvantage. A coach will state if they feel there is a disadvantage and will confer with the other coach. If the coaches cannot come to an agreement, then the match officials' ruling will be sought.

Line Judge Positions – Line judges are to remain on the same side of the court throughout the match. Line judges are not to switch sides between sets.

Required Number of Officials – Two registered officials are required for all varsity matches (weeknight matches and weekend tournaments). Sub-varsity and junior high matches may use one registered official **as a last resort** if two registered officials cannot be secured.

Postseason Eligible – In order to officiate postseason matches, officials will need to work ten varsity matches prior to the start of Regional play. **Please note:** the requirement is ten varsity matches (not varsity dates). FYI...The previous policy required seven varsity dates.

Pictures on Dragonfly – Reminder that your pictures need to be on Dragonfly. If you have not done this, please do it in the next few days. To add your picture, click on the silhouette by your name and you will be prompted through the steps. Thank you!

Assigners – **Make sure the officials you are assigning to matches at ALL levels are certified.** To check if an official is certified, go to the OFFICIALS page on our website, www.IGHSAU.org, then find the list(s) under VOLLEYBALL. A non-certified official working a match may result in a forfeit for the host school. This has occurred a few times this season and should not happen.

Officials – Make sure you are certified before working a match. Check with Dragonfly or go to www.IGHSAU.org to make sure your name is on the appropriate list. A non-certified official working a match may result in a forfeit for the host school. This has occurred a few times this season and should not happen.

Certification Status – Please [click here](#) to view the list of officials who have completed all requirements to be considered postseason eligible. If your name is on this list and you **do not** want to be considered for postseason assignments, please contact Sherry at sherry@ighsau.org to have your name removed. If your name is on this list and you only want to be considered for line judge assignments, please contact Sherry at sherry@ighsau.org. If your name is not on the list, contact Sherry at sherry@ighsau.org.

To enter your postseason availability, please follow the steps below:

- Sign into **Dragonfly**
- On the left-hand side of screen, click on **Assignments**
- Go all the way to the right side of the screen and click on the **Create Block**
- Put in the date you want to block and click save. If you need to block more dates just click on the **Create Block** for each date you need to block.
- While you are in the **Create Block**, click on the **distance** if you need to make a change for certain days that you may be traveling from another location other than your home address or if you have a limit to the number of miles you want to travel
- You can also click on the **Conflicts**, to list any school(s) that you have a conflict with.

Question to ask ourselves: Are you adding tools to our officiating toolboxes! Keep sharing the love of officiating with each other. We are one big team. Good Luck in the upcoming matches.

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