

## **BOYS TOURNAMENT** **VOLLEYBALL RULES**

- ❖ All Volleyball games are 15 points long. (15 minutes)
- ❖ Five minutes are allowed as a buffer time between games.
- ❖ Teams should consist of 6 players.
- ❖ The referee is not to be distracted throughout the duration of the game by other team members or any outsider.
- ❖ The day leaders and/or the referees and/or the scorekeepers are entitled to temporary/permanently suspend one or more players from a game/tournament due to non-Christian behavior and/or verbal/physical harassment including but not limited to swearing, fighting, mocking, etc.
- ❖ A team is considered to have lost the game by forfeit if they are more than 2 minutes late than the scheduled start time of any game. (Score is 15-0)
- ❖ If a team shows up with insufficient number of players to a sport (less than the specified number), they will play with less players with the opponent team having the right to play full team if present.
- ❖ The bounds of the court are to be determined by the referee prior to the start of the game.
- ❖ A player/servant shall not discuss with a referee regarding any of his/her decisions.

### **Rules followed in Mix 2019:**

- ❖ Maximum of three hits per side.
- ❖ Player may not hit the ball twice in succession (A block is not considered a hit).
- ❖ Ball may be played off the net during a volley and on a serve
- ❖ A ball hitting a boundary line is in.
- ❖ A ball is out if it hits:
  - an antenna,
  - the floor completely outside the court,

- any of the net or cables outside the antennae,
- the referee stand or pole,
- the ceiling above a non-playable area
- ❖ It is legal to contact the ball with any part of a player's body
- ❖ It is illegal to catch, hold, or throw the ball
- ❖ If two or more players contact the ball at the same time, it is considered one play and either player involved may make the next contact (provided the next contact isn't the teams 4th hit).
- ❖ A player cannot block or attack a serve from on or inside the 10 foot line.
- ❖ After the serve, front line players may switch positions at the net.

The result of a violation is a **point for the opponent**:

- ❖ When serving, **stepping on or across the service line** as you make contact with the serve
- ❖ Failure to serve the ball over the net successfully
- ❖ **Contacting the ball illegally** (lifting, carrying, throwing, etc. )
- ❖ **Touching the net** with any part of the body while the ball is in play. Exception: If the ball is driven into the net with such force that it causes the net to contact an opposing player, no foul will be called, and the ball shall continue to be in play.
- ❖ When blocking a ball coming from the opponent's court, contacting the ball when reaching over the net is a violation if both:
  - 1) your opponent hasn't used 3 contacts AND
  - 2) they have a player there to make a play on the ball
- ❖ When attacking a ball coming from the opponent's court, contacting the ball when **reaching over the net** is a violation if the ball hasn't yet broken the vertical plane of the net.
- ❖ **Crossing the court centerline** with any part of your body. Exception: if it's the hand or foot, the entire hand or entire foot must cross for it to be a violation.

- ❖ **Serving out of order.**
- ❖ **Back row player blocking** (deflecting a ball coming from their opponent), when at the moment of contact the back-row player is near the net and has part of his/her body above the top of the net (an illegal block).
- ❖ **Back row player attacking** a ball inside the front zone (the area inside the 10-foot line), when at the moment of contact the ball is completely above the net (an illegal attack).
- ❖ Please remember, MIX is hosted within the arms of the Church, so you should act accordingly.
- ❖ Remember to HAVE FUN.