

Indian School Park Adult Sand Volleyball League Rules Power/Competitive (2 & 4 person), Co-ed Leisure (6 person)



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Introduction

Adult Sand Volleyball Leagues held at Indian School Park. Leagues are purely for recreational play to be enjoyed by both adult men and adult women with the objective of providing fun, safe, equitable and quality programs for all. Player cooperation, good sportsmanship and interaction with our league personnel are beneficial in making our programs a success.

Classification of Play

Offered leagues are competitive, 4-person leagues on Monday and Wednesday evenings, recreational, co-ed leisure, 6-person co-ed leagues on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, and a competitive 2-person league on Tuesday evenings. There are no gender restrictions in our 2 & 4-person leagues; however there is a requirement in the 6-person co-ed leisure league. The rules for each league are outlined below.

I. Rosters

- A. Roster size is limited to 8 players for 4-Person teams, 12 players for 6-Person co-ed teams, and 3 players for 2-Person teams.
- B. 4-Person teams are required to have a minimum of 3 players to start a game, however 4 players are needed to complete the game otherwise it shall be forfeited. 6-Person Co-Ed teams must have at a minimum of 5 players to start and finish a game. If only 5 players on the court/no subs available, minimum 1 female and 1 male. If 6 players on the court, players not to exceed either 4 women or 4 men. 2-Person teams must have 2 players to start and finish a game. See section IV, subsection D regarding "touches".
- C. Roster Changes must be submitted prior to the deadline listed on the league schedule or prior to 50% completion of the league's regular season if the league schedule does not state a deadline. Team captains must e-mail their roster changes to ISPLLeagues@scottsdaleaz.gov.
- D. Sand volleyball leagues are for adults only; ages 18 and up.
- E. Games will be forfeited if an illegal/ineligible player is used. Teams/captains are encouraged to notify the league coordinator or site supervisor of such activity.
- F. Like or similar teams are not permitted to play on the same evening of play. Players may play in multiple flights/divisions on the same evening of play however the rosters must have a greater than 50% difference in players. For example, if players are on two teams in different flights on the same evening of play and the two teams have three players of the six playing on both teams, it is illegal (only 50%). It must be greater than 50% difference or two or less players alike.
- G. Players that play in more than one flight/division on the same night may ultimately be scheduled for a tournament/post-season game where both teams are scheduled against each other. League or tournament schedules will not be modified to accommodate players that play on multiple teams in one league night. See section VIII.
- H. New teams may be placed in a lower flight for a minimum of one season. The league coordinator will have discretion regarding initial league placement.

II. Start of the Game

- A. The flip of a coin by the site supervisor will determine the first team serving if the two participating teams do not decide.
- B. See Section I, subsection B for rules pertaining to players starting and ending a game.

III. Scoring

- A. Games are played to 25 points, Rally-scoring system; a point is scored on every serve. The team scoring the point serves next.
- B. If a match is tied at 24 points, the first team to lead by two points following is the winner.
- C. Scoring will be kept by both teams during their match and then reported to the site supervisor for recording by each team's captain.
- D. In the case of a tie for first or second place in the league standings, the standings will be determined by the head-to-head play against each team involved. If teams are still tied, then the total points scored in the head-to-head games will be the determining factor.

IV. Serves/Rotations/Touches/Volleys

- A. There are no restrictions to serves in the 4-Person leagues.
- B. Player rotation for the service shall be in a clockwise direction. Players must remain in position with no switching until after the serve. Players may not rotate into the game at the serving position.
- C. In the 6-Person Co-Ed leagues only, serves must be underhand.
- D. In the 6-Person Co-Ed leagues only, on every possession, a female must always touch the ball before the ball is returned over the net
- E. In the 6-Person Co-Ed leagues only, spiking is not permitted. A spike is defined as a forceful hit in a downward motion or when striking immediately causes a downward trajectory. Striking the ball overhand does not constitute a spike.
- F. In the 6-Person Co-Ed leagues only, neither the men nor the women may block (the ball).
- G. Any serve that touches the net is in play (lets are considered good and play will resume).

V. Supervision

- H. A site supervisor will be on site during all league matches.
- I. Any illegal hits, in accordance with USA Volleyball rules may be called by the players on the court. The site supervisor will make rule interpretations, but not call game violations.
- J. The league does not provide referees. Disputes must be resolved in an orderly and sportsmanlike manner.
- K. Misconduct or inappropriate actions will result in a team's forfeit, disqualification, or league removal subject to the discretion of the site supervisor or league coordinator.

VI. Injury

- A. Any injury must be reported immediately to the site supervisor.
- B. Players play at their own risk.
- C. Medical insurance is the responsibility of the player.

VII. Forfeit Rules

- A. Maximum 10 minute grace period for the flight's first game of the night only. All subsequent games must begin in a timely manner or within 5 minutes of the end of the previous game.
- B. Use of an illegal player or less than the required number of players will result in a forfeit.
- C. A forfeited night/week of play (per team) will result in a \$15 forfeit fee per the Community Services Division Fees & Charges Policies and charged to the team captain's City recreation account regardless if called in or e-mailed in advance although it is a courtesy to do so.
- D. Any team that forfeits two nights of play during a season may be dropped from the league.

VIII. Post-Season Tournament Format

- A. The post-season tournaments will be played in a single elimination format. Each game will use the scoring for one game as above in Sec. III.
- B. During post-season tournament play, use of an illegal player results in a forfeit. Prior to each game, the team manager may challenge the legality of the opposing teams' player(s). The challenged player(s) must present proper ID to the site supervisor within 10 minutes. The site supervisor will compare the name to the official team roster. If proper ID has not been presented, the challenged player(s) will be declared illegal.
- C. The league coordinator reserves discretion regarding the movement of teams to a different flight/division for post-season tournaments.

IX. Consumption

- A. Beer is permitted only with a valid beer permit. Beer Permits may be purchased at the park tennis center office. Purchase is not permitted with the site supervisor. Cost is \$10 per team; permits are per player or one team only.
- B. Teams/players consuming without a permit may be asked to purchase a permit or vacate the premises.
- C. Beer only, no other alcohol is permitted.
- D. No glass permitted. Aluminum cans or kegs only.
- E. Scottsdale Police will cite park users or league players not in compliance with City ordinances.

X. Weather Conditions

In the event of inclement weather you may call (480) 312-2740 one-hour prior to your scheduled game time for game status. All games are considered "on" unless informed otherwise by staff.

Indian School Park Leagues: 480-312-7920 ISPLeagues@scottsdaleaz.gov

The League or Park Coordinator has the authority to institute new rules or change old rules without notice to maintain the continuity and equity of the overall program and to promote fair play.