



# KAREN SHANK FOUNDATION

## Beach Volleyball Rules

### Recreational & Intermediate 6's

#### Skill levels:

- Recreational – In it for the fun
- Intermediate – Plays at a more skilled level. Everyone comfortable with spiking and overhand servers. Must be 19 or over.
- Competitive – Plays at an advanced or competitive level. Must be 19 or over.

#### RULES

1. All participants must read, sign, and submit the waiver form before playing or your team will be subject to default.
2. Teams must be comprised of 6 to 10 players. 6 players must be on the court, minimum of two women. If you only have one woman on the court you can play with a maximum of 4 players. If a team does not meet the minimum requirement, they will automatically default the match.
3. Each game will stop at the sound of the whistle/horn.  
Once the end of the game has been announced, do not serve the ball. If the ball is in play at that time, finish the play.
4. Points are awarded on every serve (rally point scoring).
5. Teams will referee their own games and are expected to do so with honesty and a high level of sportsmanship.
6. Serves cannot be blocked or attacked.
7. A block is not counted as a hit.
8. Any part of your body may be used to keep the ball in play.
9. Players may not touch the net at any time during play. A player may cross under the net without violation, as long as they do not touch anyone on the other team or interfere with them playing the ball or make contact with the net. A player is then allowed to return to their own side and play continues.
10. After five consecutive points, the serving team must rotate to the next server.
11. Let serves are allowed (the ball can hit the net on the serve, as long as it goes over).
12. Substitute players are allowed in any game prior to the playoffs, with permission from the opposing team.
13. In sunny or windy conditions, teams will change sides after every 10 points.
14. The score for each game must be reported to the scoring table by the team captains after each game. Game results not reported will be recorded as a tie.  
Game results will be tabulated as follows:  
Win/Default = 2 Points                  Tie = 1 point                  Loss = 0 Points  
Ties will be broken by the points differential total per team.
15. Common volleyball rules will apply including the items noted above or with the above noted exceptions. Any questions regarding these rules should be directed to the registration/scoring table.
16. HAVE FUN!!!

**DISPUTES** Please keep in mind that this is a fun tournament for charity and we have tried to keep the rules simple. Should a dispute arise, the team captains, and only the team captains, will discuss the situation. If they are unable to quickly agree, replay the point if time permits. You will not be permitted additional playing time because of a dispute.



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### Competitive 4's

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- Intermediate – Plays at a more skilled level. Everyone comfortable with spiking and overhand servers. Must be 19 or over.
- Competitive – Plays at an advanced or competitive level. Must be 19 or over.

#### RULES

1. All participants must read, sign, and submit the waiver form before playing or your team will be subject to default.
2. Teams must be comprised of at least 4 players. A minimum of one woman must be on the court at all times. If a team does not meet the minimum requirement, they will automatically default the match.
3. Each game will stop at the sound of the whistle/horn. Once the end of the game has been announced, do not serve the ball. If the ball is in play at that time, finish the play.
4. Points are awarded on every serve (rally point scoring).
5. Teams will referee their own games and are expected to do so with honesty and a high level of sportsmanship.
6. Serves cannot be blocked or volleyed. Once the ball is in play, the first hit may be volleyed to a teammate but not over the net. The second hit may be volleyed over the net if the player is square to the net. A third hit cannot be volleyed over the net; third hits should be spiked or hit with a closed hand.
7. A block is counted as the first touch. The blocker may play the ball off his/her own block. These two contacts are counted as one touch.
8. Any part of your body may be used to keep the ball in play.
9. Players may not touch the net at any time during play. A player may cross under the net without violation, as long as they do not touch anyone on the other team or interfere with them playing the ball or make contact with the net. A player is then allowed to return to their own side and play continues.
10. Players are not limited to the number of serves in a row. Let serves are allowed.
11. Players do not have to rotate on the court, but must rotate as servers.
12. Substitute players are allowed in any game prior to the playoffs, with permission from the opposing team.
13. In sunny or windy conditions, teams will change sides after every 10 points.
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