

October 8, 2020

(Previous Date September 12, 2020)

Registration:

On-line Registration: Will be MANDATORY for 2020-2021 (contact ROC at skroc@sasktel.net if you are unable to register on-line)

- Go to Sask Volleyball web site
- Click on Register
- Click on Indoor Referee Registration in the Featured Events
- Only select that you are a returning referee if you have registered using the VRS before, the system will not recognize you if you have been registering manually in the past years
- If you need assistance with your Access Code, email ROC and I will get it for you
- This will allow you to pay on-line using a credit card or PayPal.
- ***Do Not automatically register, if there is a shortened club season, we will Not be able to guarantee matches for everyone*** More club season information available late November/December***

****New to 2020-2021****

All registered referees must complete **Respect in Sport** offered by Sask Sport, SHSAA OR Coaching Association of Canada AND **Safe Sport** offered by Canadian Coaching Association. **There may be other Safe Sport modules, but, this one is endorsed by Volleyball Canada.**

The link for Safe Sport is below. Copy link to your browser to complete.

<https://coach.ca/>

- Sport Safety - Safe Sport Training - Take the Safe Sport Training – Take the Training

Once completed, forward the confirmation of completion to skroc@sasktel.net for verification.

****If you have not completed these additional requirements, you will NOT be on the list for assignors for any Sask Volleyball sanctioned event****

Return to Play/Referee: *Subject to change based on SHA guidelines*****

Pre-Match Guidelines:

- The referee should try to maintain as much normalcy to their pre-match requirements where possible, while prioritizing the health and safety of themselves and all participants
- The referee should wear a mask while completing all pre-match requirements
- The referee should be familiar with any modifications to protocols and/or Rules of the Game as per the host organizer
- When conducting the toss of the coin with the team captains, the referee must ensure no physical contact occurs and that physical distancing requirements of the participants is established
- When performing any pre-match meetings with the referee corps (Scorer/Assistant Scorer, Line Judges, etc.), where possible physical distancing requirements should be maintained, and all members of the referee corps should be wearing masks

Competition Preparation:

- The referee should be prepared to arrive at the sport hall fully dressed in their uniform
- The referee should be prepared to safely store all non-essential equipment in one clearly identifiable bag or container as a means of minimizing courtside belongings
- The referee should ensure that they have a face mask
- In order to minimize communal points of contact, the referee should ensure that they have their own equipment strictly for their own personal use
- **While the host organization is required to provide the sanitizing materials for equipment, the referee should ensure they have a personal supply of hand sanitizer as part of their equipment**

Guidelines During the Match:

- The referee should try to maintain as much normalcy to their requirements during the match while prioritizing the health and safety of themselves and all participants
- The referee must fully understand and apply any/all specific modifications to rules and guidelines as requested by the host organization for their specific competition
- In the case where a captain would like to ask a question regarding the application and/or interpretation of a rule:
 - i. The captain should request to approach the referee stand by raising their hand
 - ii. The referee must honour such request
 - iii. The referee should put on their mask (if they do not already have it on) prior to the captain arriving at the referee stand
 - iv. While at the referee stand, the captain must be very conscientious about not touching the equipment
 - v. While at the referee stand, the captain must be very conscientious about maintaining physical distancing requirements from both the referee and opposition team members
 - vi. The process should take no more time than is required for the captain to raise their concern and for the referee to answer the concern
- In the case where the referee must call a participant to the referee stand for sanctioning:
 - i. The referee should request the participant in question to approach the referee stand
 - ii. The referee should put on their mask (if they already do not have it on) prior to the participant arriving at the referee stand
 - iii. While at the referee stand, the participant must be very conscientious about maintaining physical distancing requirements from both the referee and opposition team members
 - iv. The referee should administer the corresponding sanction
 - v. The participant must acknowledge the applied sanction

Post-Match Guidelines:

- At the conclusion of the match, the referees should move to the sideline nearest the positioning of the first referee
- To ensure physical distancing is maintained, the first referee should position themselves on the A side of the court and the second referee should position themselves on the B side of the court
- To ensure physical distancing is maintained, the line judges should position themselves behind their respective referee
- At the conclusion of the match, the teams should move to their respective attack line and acknowledge the opposition team and the referees ****without shaking hands or contact****

Whistles:

Sask Volleyball has not made the use of electronic whistles mandatory.

- IF you use an electronic whistle - you can be part of multiple mini-leagues.
- the referee must ensure that the lanyard is securely fastened to the wrist,
- the referee should let the whistle hang from their wrist while executing the corresponding signal sequence for a concluded rally and
- the referee should wear a mask for the entire duration of the match

- IF you use a “conventional” whistle, you would only be able to be part of one mini-league
- you **MUST** wear a mask while at the score table and when you are not on the stand and if approached by a player during play

Referees can change mini-leagues, if they have taken off 14 days from their last mini-league involvement.