

SUE'S NEWS

Tuesday June 25, 2024

SHIRT of the DAY - Wednesday June 26 – Dig Pink - Dig Pink polo or plain pink polo with no competing tournament logos

****NEW** ROSTER PROCEDURES**

How did the new roster procedures go today? Did we hold up the matches to check rosters or did we get them completed in a timely manner?

Tomorrow, let's try to only use a small dot beside each player's number versus slashing through the number or obliterating the number. Then others who use the roster after you can actually read all the numbers.

UNIFORMS

While you are checking rosters, you **MUST** check the legality of the team's uniforms. If a team has a waiver, please read it. Only 2024 AAU waivers are acceptable. Some jerseys have only been approved to be worn by the libero. In these situations, please contact your lead referee.

COIN TOSS

At the coin toss before the match, teams have a choice between serve, receive, or side. After the match begins, there is no switching sides. At the 3rd set coin toss, teams have a choice between only serve or receive.

SCHEDULES

- The assignors can only schedule the number of matches that are being played. So that sometimes means, there are not enough matches for everyone to work as many matches as you want. But I think the assignors do a really good job of 'evening out' match counts for each session. So you might be 'short' matches on one day, but then the next day, you will catch up.

As mentioned multiple times, we have extra referees this session, and everyone will receive at least one half-day off. Many of you will receive two half-days this session. Finals days are not counted as a half day. Please do not submit a request asking to work more matches. It is fine if you want to request less matches.

Please understand that most of you would prefer to have your half day in the morning; however, approximately one-third of you will be assigned to work in the PM only. Generic requests to "work mornings on your half day" will not be honored. **If you want to be guaranteed your preference of morning vs afternoon, you must submit a request for a specific day and the wave you want to be off.**

SCORESHEET PROCEDURES

- Prior to the start of the match, BOTH referees must print their name on the scoresheet.
- After the match is complete:
 - the R2 verifies the work of the scorers.
 - the R1 verifies the scores and the correct winning/losing team names.
 - the R2 (or the referee who is leaving the court) enters the scores into the mobile app and then takes the scoresheet immediately back to the championship desk.
- It is not a problem if you need to get out your reading glasses to see the sheet clearly.

In normal situations when there are two referees on a match, the following procedures should be used:

- R1: coin toss, checks net and pressure of game balls, and instructs line judges.
 - R2: times warm-ups and timeouts, instructs scorer, checks lineups for both teams, authorizes the first entry of the Libero, tosses game ball directly to first server (not to line judge), controls substitutions, and secures game ball after each set.
- **Each referee has specific duties. Know which duties are yours and allow your partner to perform theirs.**

REMINDERS

1. A rostered adult must be the R2 on any matches that do not have an assigned R2.
2. No more than 2 coaches should be standing at one time.
3. Coaches cannot enter the court. That behavior is subject to immediate sanctions.
4. Do not call the general phone for court issues. Use the phone number for your section.
5. Cell phone use is NOT ALLOWED while on the stand or during timeouts.
6. Artificial noisemakers are NOT allowed.
7. Check, check, check and double check your officiating assignments. If you want a paper copy, stop the officials office.
8. The first match of every wave must start on TIME!! 7:30/8:00 am and 2:30/3:00 pm

REFEREE LOUNGE

1. The referee lounge should be a place where referees can relax between matches. If you want to be loud and party, you should go downstairs to the food area or outside of the referee lounge. If you are on the phone, keep your conversation to yourself or go outside of ref room.
2. Do not touch other referees' belongings or food. If you didn't bring it, you should not touch it. There is a microwave in the north officials office and in the south officials lounge.

BE ON TIME

It's very annoying when all your matches are going great, things are on time and then your replacement is not at the court to start the next match. If you are 'off', there is absolutely no reason that you should not be at the court before the previous match is completed. Please make a more conscious effort to be at your court so matches can start on time or as quickly as possible. Thank you for your cooperation.

“Gratitude makes sense for our past, brings peace for today, and creates a vision for tomorrow.” -

Melody Beattie