

	USA BEACH Volleyball (Doubles)	USA Volleyball Indoor	NCAA (Women) Indoor
1. Playing Surface	The terrain must be composed of leveled sand, as flat and uniform as possible, free of rocks, shells and anything else, which can represent risks of cuts or injuries to the players.	Entire playing surface must be flat, horizontal, & uniform (e.g. playing surface ends at the edge of the Sport Court). The ball may be retrieved from beyond the free zone when the surface is lower by up to ½" or less and the entire area surrounding the court is free of obstructions.	The playable surface consists of the court & at least 2 meters surrounding it, which must be flat & smooth. Additional playing area can have a lower surface by up to ½" as long as both surfaces are safe.
1a. Size	The court dimensions for each team's side are 8 x 8 m (26'3") square court. The length of each short diagonal is subsequently 11.31 m (37'1") and that of the long diagonal is 17.89 m (58'8").	The playing court is a rectangle measuring 18 x 9 m (59'x 29'6") surrounded by a free zone.	The playing court is a rectangle measuring 18 x 9 m (59' x 29'6") surrounded by a free zone.
2. Playing restrictions	May not enter an adjacent court before or after attempting to retrieve a ball.	Ball may be retrieved from beyond the free zone when the surface change is lower by ½" or less and the area is free of obstructions.	A player must be touching the playable surface to legally play a ball over a non-playable area.
14a. Inflation	(2.5 to 3.2 lb/sq in)	(4.26 to 4.61 lb/sq in)	(4.26 to 4.61 lb/sq in)
16. Limit to team members	A team is composed of two players and they may have a coach & one assistant coach.	Limited to 15 players and 5 coach/staff.	No limit to the # of players on a team, or the # coaches/staff.
17. Non-disruptive coaching-ball In play	There is no coaching allowed while the ball is in play.	During play, the coach will be required to stay at least 1.75 meters from the court, and completely outside the substitution zone. One assistant coach may stand to instruct players on the court, with the same location restrictions.	During play, coaches will be required to stay at least 1.75 meters from the court, and completely outside the substitution zone.
32. Player equipment	It is forbidden to wear any object that may cause an injury to a player, such as pins, bracelets, casts, etc. Players may wear glasses at their own risk.	Splints/braces allowed on hands/arms if padded and no advantage is gained. Casts are not allowed. Barrettes allowed.	Splints/braces/casts allowed on arms or hands if padded and no advantage is gained. Barrettes allowed.
53. Points removed due to wrong server or illegal player on the court	It is the duty of the officials to ensure that the service order is checked and corrected if necessary prior to each serve. If a player serves out of order, the results of the play stand and service order is corrected without penalty.	Time-outs by the team not at fault, as well as substitutions, Libero replacements, and team sanctions by either team during that span of points are removed. Time-outs taken by the team at fault and individual sanctions assessed to either team are not removed.	Timeouts by the team not at fault, as well as substitutions, Libero replacements, and team sanctions by either team during that span of points are removed. Time-outs taken by the team at fault and individual sanctions assessed to either team are not removed.
58. Net contact	Contact with the net is not a fault unless: • contact is made in the action of playing the ball, or • the contact interferes with play.	Contact with the net is not a fault unless: • contact is made with the top band in the action of playing the ball, or • the contact interferes with play.	Contact with the net is not a fault unless: • contact is made in the action of playing the ball, or • the contact interferes with play.
59. Contacting ball that is in the net on opponent's side	If the player initiates contact with the net by moving toward the path of the ball, either before or while the ball is in the body of the net, a net fault results.	If the player initiates contact with the net by moving toward the path of the ball, either before or while the ball is in the body of the net, a net fault results.	If the player initiates contact with the net by moving toward the path of the ball, either before or while the ball is in the body of the net, a net fault results.
62. Crossing the center line	A player may enter into the opponent's space, court and/or free zone, provided that this does not interfere with the opponent's play.	A player can touch opponent's court with a foot or feet, providing they are on or above the center line. Any other part of the body may penetrate into the opponent's court provided it does not present a safety hazard or interfere with the opponents' play.	A player can touch opponent's court with feet or hands, providing some part of body is on or above the center line. Players may also touch the opponent's court with an entire foot or hand or any other body part(s), provided the encroachment does not present a safety hazard, does not interfere with the opponents.
63. Match length	Matches are the best 2 out of 3 sets.	Matches may be the best 2 out of 3 sets, or 3 out of 5 sets.	All matches will be the best 3 out of 5 sets (exception for some high school & NJCAA play).