

**ADMINISTRATIVE & OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES FOR CONDUCTING  
FORT BLISS – OPEN VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE 1 FEB – 22 MAR 2025**

**REFERENCES:** AR 215-1, Non-appropriated Fund Instrumentalities and, Morale, Welfare and Recreation Activities, 24 September 2010

USA Volleyball 2023-2025 Indoor Rules

**WHAT:** Fort Bliss – Open Volleyball League

**WHEN:** 1 FEB – 22 MAR 2025

**WHERE:** Logan Heights Gym – 4797 Ellerthorpe Rd.

**LEAGUE STRUCTURE:** Depending on number of teams registered, the league will consist of four Saturday matches. The fifth Saturday will consist of a single elimination playoff between the top teams. Games will be played Saturdays starting at 0800.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Open to the public 18 years and older. Players must present ID prior to their scheduled games. Lack of proper ID will result in player being ineligible to play in tournament.

Team rosters will be limited to 12 players, and one non-playing coach. Rosters must be typed and turned into the League Director prior to first scheduled game. The roster must consist of a team captain POC (email address, contact number), First/Last name of each player, and t-shirt size of each player.

**Players cannot play with multiple teams. Once they play for a team, they cannot change teams. This will result in a forfeit for the second team.**

**REGISTRATION:** **Registration:** IMLeagues.com through 24 January 2025.

\$20 – Active Duty / Retirees / Family Members / DOD/DA Civilian  
\$30 – All others

**\*Registration fees are per player. 10 player minimum per roster\***

All teams must be registered and paid by 24 January 2025. Teams can register and pay at the Sports Office, located at Soto Physical Fitness Center (20751 Constitution Ave.). Registration includes a

shirt. Top 2 teams will receive individual medals and a team trophy.

**LEAGUE PLAY:**

Play will be conducted in accordance with the USA Volleyball 2023-2025 Indoor Rules Book unless otherwise covered by these by-laws:

Teams will line up according to the lineup sheet (provided by MWR). This should be how the teams want their players lined up at the beginning of the game. This is not the serving order. The first server of the game will be in the right back position and all other players will rotate clockwise into serve thereafter.

Teams can play with 5 players.

Teams who only have 5 players will start at the scheduled time.

(1) When the missing player position comes to serve, a side out and point (rally scoring) will be declared.

(2) When this position goes to the front row, the team with 5 players will only have 2 blockers and 2 hitters available to cover the net.

(3) As soon as the 6th player arrives, he/she will enter at the first dead ball opportunity.

**FORFEITS:**

Game time is forfeit time. Teams will be allowed a 10-minute grace period for each game.

Forfeiture of two games during league play will result in disqualification from the league play and the Championship Tournament. Players from disqualified teams are then not eligible to participate with any other teams.

**EQUIPMENT:**

Leg/arm braces must be wrapped in tape (NO metal showing).

Only non-marking tennis shoes are acceptable.

No jewelry allowed. NO EXCEPTIONS.

Players must have coordinated jerseys with different numbers. If jerseys are in question players will be required to wear reversible jerseys provided by MWR. Numbered jerseys are to be worn and tucked in. Undershirts do not have to match.

Teams and spectators are not allowed to use electronic communications devices to communicate with players, during the game.

**PROTESTS:**

A protest concerning **eligibility** must be submitted in writing to the League Coordinator by 1300 hours the following day. A ruling will be decided before the team's next scheduled game.

**SPORTSMANSHIP:**

**Swearing and abusive remarks:** Whether directed towards opponents, team members, officials, fans or supervisors or indirect frustration about self-performance are behaviors which cast a negative atmosphere over intramural play and may lead to more serious problems. Officials may penalize such behavior and all cussing with a yellow card penalty.

A player or coach being ejected from a game will result with a warning being filed. The second ejection in the season will result in a meeting with the Sports Director for a possible suspension. The third ejection will result in an automatic expulsion from the league. **Player or coach that has been ejected must leave facility to include the parking lot.**

A player, coach, spectator or the entire team may be asked to leave the playing area if displaying unsportsmanlike conduct. Any contest may be forfeited by the administrator or official of the activity when a team, a team participant, captain or coach exhibits unsportsmanlike conduct or disruptive behavior during the contest. Team captains or coaches may be warned prior to forfeiting the contests. However, it will be at the discretion of the administrators to forfeit that contest if deemed necessary to avoid a violent confrontation. Players/Coaches ejected for a first offense may be suspended indefinitely from participating in sports activities, depending on the severity of the offense. Taunting will be penalized with a yellow card.

**ALCOHOL/TOBACCO:**

Alcohol, smoking, vaping, or use of chewing tobacco is not permitted in the facility. Any player or coach under the influence of alcohol will not be permitted to enter the playing area.

**AWARDS:**

- (1) Team trophy for Champion and Runner Up
- (2) Individual team medals
- (3) Most Valuable Player

**PETS:**

Pets are prohibited from all sports facilities IAW USAG 190-4 Sec. 1-10.

**RESPONSIBILITIES:**

During league play, the manager or coach is responsible for ensuring that:

- (1) All members of the team are familiar with the MOI.
- (2) The team is fully equipped and properly attired.
- (3) No illegal players participate in games.
- (5) Team roster is submitted prior to the first game.

**LEAGUE**

**ADMINISTRATORS:**

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