

## NEW YORK STATE VOLLEYBALL OFFICIALS

### NEWSLETTER #1 – OCTOBER 12, 2013

Greetings! This is the first NYSCVOA newsletter for the 2013-2014 season.

#### SITUATION #1

An official wants to wear the NYSCVOA officiating shirt at an event with schools who are not members of NYSPHSAA.

#### RULING:

Incorrect procedure – NYSCVOA was required to be very specific in outlining what materials/apparel would be covered under the Service Mark Agreement as well as where these items could be worn. NYSCVOA has a contractual agreement with NYSPHSAA. If a school is a “friend of NYSPHSAA” or a member school, the approved apparel may be worn for competition. If not, you may wear whatever your Board/Chapter has approved for those contests, but not the NYSCVOA approved uniform shirt, sweater, windbreaker, etc.

BY: Sally Wise, NYSCVOA President, 8-27-13 --- Note: Any questions dealing with NYSCVOA apparel should be addressed to Sally.

#### SITUATION #2

A team wants to use a volleyball that has nine panels or is dimpled.

#### RULING:

Both volleyballs are illegal. – NYSPHSAA follows the 2012-2013 NCAA Volleyball rulebook. Rule 3.1.2 notes that “The Ball must be spherical with a flexible, smooth leather or leather-like cover of 12 or more panels with a separate bladder. It will be uniform and light in color, or a combination of colors; at least one-third of the surface must be white or light.”

BY: NYSCVOA Executive Committee

### SITUATION #3

Certain cultures wear gems that are placed in the middle of the forehead. These gems are not removable as they are impaled into place. The referees allow a player to participate in a match wearing a gem in the middle of his/her forehead as the referees deem the gem to not be dangerous to anyone.

### RULING #3

Incorrect Procedure – The student would need to apply to the NYSPHSAA office under Permission for Special Accommodations. A letter should come from the school along with a picture requesting approval to wear the gem. If the player can not produce a letter of approval from NYSPHSAA, he/she should not be allowed to participate in the match.

BY: NYSPHSAA, Robert Stulmaker, 8-27-13

### TEST QUESTION #19 (NYSCVOA 2013 TEST – FORM A)

“Before the service contact, the libero tracker reports to the R-2 that the libero, who has already served in position 1, is preparing to serve again in position 4. The R-2 immediately requests a team delay sanction from the R-1 for the illegal replacement.”

### RULING:

Correct procedure – Rule 12.2.1.2

BY: Anne Pufahl, NCAA Rule’s Interpreter

NOTE: “If the team corrects the illegal libero replacement prior to the serve there is no penalty. If the officials have to get involved with a correction a delay sanction should be issued. If the serve is contacted a positional fault should be whistled.

BY: Anne Pufahl – 8-27-13

Please note in question #19 the officials became involved when the libero tracker notified the R-2, therefore, a team delay sanction is warranted.

## TEST QUESTION #18 (NYSCVOA 2013 TEST – FORM A)

“The R-1 blows his/her whistle for service. The server bounces the ball off his/her foot and it travels towards a line judge. The line judge picks up the ball and tosses it back to the server. The R-1 whistles and signals a replay.”

RULING: Correct Procedure – Rule 4.2.4

BY: Anne Pufahl, NCAA Rule’s Interpreter, 9-12-13

## TEST QUESTION #56 (NYSCVOA 2013 TEST – FORM A)

“After R-1 whistles for service, Team A’s server bounces the ball off his/her foot and it enters his/her team’s bench area. A teammate in the warm-up area returns the ball and the server is able to execute the serve within eight seconds. R-1 allows play to continue.”

RULING:

Correct Procedure – Rule 13.1.3.3

BY: Anne Pufahl, NCAA Rule’s Interpreter, 9-12-13

## NYSCVOA TECHNIQUE CHANGES – 2013

There were two NYSCVOA technique changes that were presented at this year’s state interpretation in August.

### TECHNIQUE CHANGE #1:

When a team has used their second time out, the second referee will either signal “two” to a coach or verbally indicate “two” to a coach. There will be no Time out signal prior to notifying the coach that he/she has used their second timeout.

### TECHNIQUE CHANGE #2:

When a team has used their 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, or 18<sup>th</sup> team substitution, the second referee will either signal the number of team substitutions used to a coach or verbally indicate the number of team substitutions used to a coach. There will be no Substitution signal prior to notifying a coach that

he/she has used 15, 16, 17, or 18 team substitutions. Remember the First Referee is notified when a team has used 18 team substitutions.

BY: NYSCVOA Executive Committee

## **REMINDER**

Please make sure are aware of that the NYSCVOA Rules and Procedures Manual can be found on our website; MHBVO.org. The Manual contains important information about NYSCVOA procedures as well as New York State approved Rule Modifications.

### **MHBVO Interpreter Observations**

R1 please allow the R2 to handle their responsibilities; Substitutions, T/O net calls, centerline violations, out of bounds on R2 side and defensive rotations. R1 are attempting to handle everything. Let the R2 do their job and make the calls.

R1 & R2 scan the benches after every end of rally; look for subs, T/O other issues etc. R2 do not whistle for substitution without a substitute in the sub area. The player leaving the court can not call for a sub unless she is the captain. Only she or the coach can ask for a sub. Wait for the sub to enter the sub area. If captain or coach requests a sub then whistle and signal. R2 mimic the sub signal.

R1 & R2 when a whistle is blown make eye contract first before making any signal; end of rally, fault etc.

R2 be confident, blow a strong whistle and be deliberate with mechanics and signals. Signals are way too sloppy, incorrect or not made at all. Once R2 has completed all activities give the set back to the R1. Use the correct signal. R1 wait for the R2 to signal before calling for serve.

R2 do not call lines using discrete signals, if R1 needs help let him or she ask you for help. Then let R1 know what you have. Pre game conferences are vital.