

## **SECTION 4.29 – VOLLEYBALL – WOMEN**

- 4.291 Season of Sport –The volleyball season is limited to twenty one (21) contests. The season begins as prescribed in the COA Constitution.
- 4.292 Days and times – Wednesdays and Fridays at 6 p.m. or 7 p.m. Other times/days may be selected if approved by the Conference Commissioner and mutual consent by the Athletic Directors.
- 4.293 Conference Schedule – The Conference Champion will be determined by the teams with the greatest number of match wins in a dual/double round Conference competition. In case of a tie, co-champions will be declared.

If two or more teams are tied for any place in the standings, the following criteria will determine the order of finish for seeding purposes only.

- A. Comparing head-to-head conference competition (matches) if two teams are tied.
  - B. Head-to-head Conference games against the teams tied.
  - C. Match Conference records against all tied teams if more than two teams.
  - D. Best match record against first place team. (Does not apply if the tie is for first place.)
  - E. Record against next highest team not tied. Continue down until tie is broken.
  - F. Head-to-head points scored with two teams tied or head-to-head point ratios if three or more teams tie.
  - G. Coin flip
- 4.294 Rules – All matches shall be played by the current NCAA rules with the following exception: a) Limitation will not be placed on the number of players on a team. b) Exceptions to NCAA Rules stated in the COA State Supplement will be exceptions in the Orange Empire Conference. (9/95)
- A. Ball – The conference ball shall be the one approved by the Commission on Athletics.
  - B. Matches – Three out of five games will comprise a match.
  - C. Outside Tournaments – The following should be considered when scheduling:
    - 1. Double elimination counts as two contests.
    - 2. Pool play counts as one contest
    - 3. Single elimination counts as one contest.
    - 4. Single elimination with consolation counts as two contests.
    - 5. Pool play with single elimination counts as two contests.
    - 6. Any two matches played on the same day count as one contest.

- D. Warm-ups – The court will be available 1 hr. prior to scheduled match time. Time allotments for court usage shall be the following:

**For a 7:00 pm Game start time**

<u>Time allotted</u>	<u>Actual Time</u>	<u>Visible Clock</u>	<u>Protocol</u>
:10 minutes	6:00 – 6:10	:60 - :50	Home team court
:10 minutes	6:10 – 6:20	:50 - :40	Visiting team court
:20 minutes	6:20 – 6:40	:40 - :20	Shared court
:04 minutes	6:40 – 6:44	:20 - :16	Visiting team court
:04 minutes	6:44 – 6:48	:16 - :12	Home team court
:05 minutes	6:48 – 6:53	:12 - :07	Visiting team court
:05 minutes	6:53 – 6:58	:07 - :02	Home team court
:02 minutes	6:58 – 7:00	:02 - :00	Team introductions & National Anthem
:00	7:00	:00	Match begins

**All times moved forward 1 hour sooner if 6:00pm start**

During shared court time, teams are responsible for keeping their balls out of their opponent's area.

- E. Home team's responsibilities:
1. The home team shall designate the home bench and side of the court for warm-ups prior to the beginning of warm-ups.
  2. If possible the home team should wear dark colored uniforms while the visiting team will wear light.
  3. The home team shall provide a minimum of twelve volleyballs (when possible the approved Conference ball) for the visiting team.
  4. Court space and volleyballs should be available for warm-up at least one hour prior to the scheduled starting time of the match.
  5. The home team shall provide two trained *line* judges.
  6. Adequate spectator space should be provided, well defined, and opposite the players bench where possible.
  7. Locker facilities will be available; visiting schools will provide their own locks, towels, and training supplies.
  8. A certified trainer must be available and in attendance at the match or on campus.
  9. The Conference Commissioner has the right to reschedule a match in case of an emergency.

4.295 The All Conference Team will be chosen by the following method:  
Philosophically, coaches will vote for who they feel to be the best **14** players in the Conference for the first team and the next **14** best players for the second team.

- A. Coaches shall vote for one player as MVP. That player is not to be included on the 1<sup>st</sup> team.
- B. Coaches nominate players for the first team, starting with the last place coach and working up to the first place coach. Any coach may add nominations at any time.
- C. Coaches shall vote for **14** players and the chairperson of the meeting shall tally the votes.
- D. Second team nominees will consist of those players nominated but not chosen for 1<sup>st</sup> team plus additional nominations from the coaches.
- E. Coaches shall vote for **14** players and the chairperson of the meeting shall tally the votes. Those **14** players with the highest number of votes will make up the second team. Any nominee *not in top 14* shall comprise the honorable mention team.
- F. Nominations and a vote shall be taken for the coach-of-the-year.

4.296 Conference Standings

- A. Match results, Conference records, overall records, and statistical leaders shall be faxed by each coach to the volleyball statistician by noon on Monday.
- B. The Conference results and team standings shall be posted on the Orange Empire Conference web-site.

4.297 Conference Seeding Representative

The Orange Empire Conference representative at the Southern California Regional Playoff's Seeding Meeting will be determined by a vote at the post-conference meeting. This will be a two year term.