



# Beach Volleyball Schools Cup

## BYLAWS

(Updated: February 2025)

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### Schedule –

#### Sunday,

8:30am- Technical Meeting – **COMPULSORY FOR ALL PLAYERS**

9am – First Games to start

#### Monday,

Games starting at 9am (unless teams otherwise notified).

8:30am- Technical Meeting – **COMPULSORY FOR ALL Year 7 PLAYERS**

9am – First Games to start

Draws will be published on the VQ website [www.vq.org.au](http://www.vq.org.au)

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### Eligibility of Individuals:

- (a) All participants must be current registered members of Volleyball Queensland.
  - (b) To be eligible to represent a school, a player must be currently enrolled at that school.
  - (c) The only school that players can represent is the one considered being the base school at which the student is enrolled.
  - (d) A player may play for no team other than the team they have nominated with throughout the tournament. Under exceptional circumstances a player from a lower division team may fill in for a higher division team of the school they are enrolled with at the discretion of Tournament Directors.
  - (e) Players must play at least one (1) game for a team throughout the tournament for that person to be eligible to play in a final.
  - (f) Males are not eligible to play in female competition matches and females are not allowed to play in men's competition matches.
  - (g) To be eligible for a particular Year Division, all team members must be in that year level.
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## Tournament Organisation:

- **Volleyballs** - Only the official match volleyball will be used – Mikasa VLS300. Teams will need to bring their own warm up balls.
- **Format** – The games will run on a times format.
  - 3 x 8 minute sets with no break of play between sets
  - Pool play
  - Ensure your team is ready to go on the hooter because the clock will not wait.
  - Aim that each team plays a minimum of 4 games
- **Uniforms** – Where teams do not have a School volleyball specific team uniform, the school sports uniform must be worn. Males are required to wear a shirt whilst playing. Female bikinis may only be worn if they are part of the official School uniform.
- **Duty Requirements** – Each team will be required to provide a first referee and a scorer.  
PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN WHISTLE FOR PERSONAL HYGIENE.

### Divisions

Year Level	Players-a-side	Divisions	Competition Days
Year 7	4-a-side	One div only	Monday
Year 8	2-a-side	Div 1 (max 3 teams/school) Div 2 (unlimited)	Sunday & Monday
	4-a-side	One div only	
Year 9	2-a-side	Div 1 (max 3 teams/school) Div 2 (unlimited)	Sunday & Monday
	4-a-side	One div only	
Year 10	2-a-side	Div 1 (max 3 teams/school) Div 2 (unlimited)	Sunday & Monday
	4-a-side	One div only	
Year 11	2-a-side	Div 1 (max 3 teams/school) Div 2 (unlimited)	Sunday & Monday
	4-a-side	One div only	
Year 12	2-a-side	Div 1 (max 3 teams/school) Div 2 (unlimited)	Sunday & Monday
	4-a-side	One div only	

*(note: divisions may be split if large entry numbers are received).*

Players are permitted to play in both pairs and fours however, if pairs and fours matches are scheduled at the same time, there may be a clash of commitments (playing or duty). Matches WILL NOT be delayed or re-scheduled due to players having a clash of commitments.

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## Team Composition:

### 2-a-side:

- (a) Teams shall have two players on the court at all times.
- (b) No substitutes allowed.

Note: 2 medals per team will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>

### 4-a-side:

- (a) Teams shall have a minimum of three players on the court at all times.
- (b) A maximum of 2 substitutes are allowed (they may substitute for anybody, and have unlimited substitutions although service-rotation must be maintained)

Note: 6 medals per team will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>

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## Tournament Regulations:

(a) Unless stated elsewhere, the tournament will be played under the official 2021-2024 FIVB Official Beach Volleyball Rules (<http://www.fivb.org/EN/BeachVolleyball/Refereeing.asp>).

(b) Any team that fails for any reason to fulfil its playing commitments may be excluded from the tournament and the result of any matches already played shall be cancelled.

(c) Championship points shall be allocated as follows;

WIN	5
LOSS	1
FORFEIT	-5

(d) At the completion of the preliminary pool rounds the teams will be ranked as follows:

- 1) by competition points,
- 2) If the result is still a tie, by the team that won the game between the tied teams.
- 3) If there is a 3-way tie, the order of ranking shall be determined by the highest set ratio.

$$\begin{array}{l} A = \text{Set Ratio} \\ B = \text{Sets Won} \\ C = \text{Sets Lost} \end{array} \quad A = \frac{B \times 100\%}{B + C}$$

4) If the result is still a tie, the order shall be determined by the highest point's ratio (*three decimal places*).

e) The tournament games will be played by the official clock; 3 sets of 8 minutes each. The hooter will sound the start and end of each set with no break between sets.

f) Any team not ready to begin play at the scheduled starting time of a game shall be deemed to have forfeited the first set and other sets at 8-minute intervals. This will be recorded as a 10 : 0 (nil) loss.

g) NO timeouts.

- h) Players can stand in any position on court but must follow their serving rotation. Teams must advise the scorer of their service rotation at the start of the match.
- i) Set scores will be cumulative. (Best of 3 sets, compulsory third set for those games won in 2 sets to maximise playing time).

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## Code of Conduct:

The code of conduct applies individually or collectively to all players, coaches, managers and officials of teams who participate in tournaments sanctioned and controlled by the VQ.

All participants in these events have the duty to maintain and encourage the highest level of good sportsmanship. They are expected to set an example in conduct and are obliged to avoid all unsportsmanlike acts and practices, which are detrimental to the sport.

Such acts during the course of a tournament include, but are not limited to the following:

- Swearing at a match official, opponent or spectator
- Using obscene language or gestures
- Showing persistent outward displays of temper
- Throwing, hitting or kicking a ball deliberately in the direction of an official, opponent or spectator
- Persistently challenging the decision of referees or tournament officials
- Inciting others to challenge the decision of referees or tournament officials
- Refusing to comply with reasonable requests from referees or tournament officials
- Behaving in a manner deemed detrimental to the sport

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## Disputes and Protests:

The Tournament Director will have the authority to resolve any on court disputes & protests.

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## Net Heights:

	<b>Boys</b>	<b>Girls</b>
<b>Year 12</b>	2.43m	2.24m
<b>Year 11</b>	2.35m	2.15m
<b>Year 10</b>	2.35m	2.15m
<b>Year 9</b>	2.35m	2.15m
<b>Year 8</b>	2.24m	2.10m
<b>Year 7</b>	2.24m	2.10m