

7.22.1 General Rules/Policies

- A. Classes** - There are five classes: A, AA, AAA, AAAA and AAAAA.
- B. Practice Dates** - Practice may begin on Monday of Week #7.
- C. Practice Requirement** - Each team or individual must have at least five (5) days of practice before competing in a match.
- D. NMAA District Clinic** - The head coach from each declared volleyball school must attend the NMAA district clinic at the NMHSCA Coaches Clinic or complete the district clinic online at www.nmact.org between August 1st and August 31st. Failure to comply shall result in a \$100 fine to the school which will be assessed on September 1st.
- E. Match Limitation** - Each varsity team or individual is limited to (20) total matches prior to the district tournament, including regular season and invitational tournaments. Each sub-varsity team or individual is limited to seventeen (17) total matches, including regular season and invitational tournaments. End-of-season/district tournament matches for junior varsity, if applicable, are counted toward the seventeen (17) total match limitations.
- F. Match Scoring** - Varsity matches are decided based on the scores for five games using the best 3 out of 5 format. Sub-varsity regular season matches use the best 2 out of 3 games. All varsity and sub-varsity matches will utilize rally scoring throughout.

Exception: For invitational tournaments, the host school determines what format is used for its own tournament (2 out of 3 or 3 out of 5, with rally scoring).

- G. Scoring-** Rally scoring will be used in all games. The game will be played to 25 points per game with no “cap,” except that the deciding game will be played to 15 points with no “cap.” In rally scoring, every service except a re-play or re-serve results in a point, regardless of which team is serving. If the serving team wins the rally, it receives a point and continues its serve. If the receiving team wins the rally, it receives a point and the ball for service. No “cap” means that once the number of game points has been achieved (25 points or 15 points for the deciding game), the winner must be determined by a margin of two points with no “cap” or maximum on the number of points.
- H. Pool play** - Pool play (modified games/matches such as 2 games to 15) for seeding purposes during an invitational tournament is allowed and does not count toward the match limitations; however, a tournament with an "all pool play" format is not permitted.

I. Individual Game Limitations

- 1. When two schools meet to play two matches involving varsity and sub-varsity teams on a given day or night, each player is limited to a maximum of five games.

<u>Prior Match</u>	<u>Succeeding Match</u>
Plays in 1 game	May play in 4 games
Plays in 2 games	May play in 3 games
Plays in 3 games	May play in 2 games
Plays in 4 games	May play in 1 game only

- 2. When two schools meet to play two matches involving any combination of sub-varsity team levels on a given day or night, each player is limited to a maximum of four games.

<u>Prior Match</u>	<u>Succeeding Match</u>
Plays in 1 game	May play in 3 games
Plays in 2 games	May play in 2 games
Plays in 3 games	May play in 1 game

NOTE: Sub-varsity is defined as any level below varsity, including Junior High/Middle School.

J. Libero Trackers

It is the responsibility of the host team to provide a libero tracker. If the home team does NOT use a libero, then the visiting team must provide their own libero tracker.

K. School Co-op Participation

Two class A schools with a combined enrollment of 125 students or less can petition the Executive Director to co-op in the sport of volleyball. At least one of the schools must show proof that they do not have enough willing participants to field their own team.

7.22.2 Officials

- A.** Officials working NMAA sanctioned events must be registered through the Association. Schools are required to use two (2) NMAA/NMOA officials for regular season sanctioned contests.
- B.** Use of an official not registered with the NMAA for matches subjects the violating school to a fine. Fines/fees are determined by the Board annually.

7.22.3 District Alignments 2009-2010

Class 5A – Volleyball

of Schools 23

District	District	District	District	District
1-5A	2-5A	3-5A	4-5A	5-5A
Cibola	ABQ. High	Alamogordo	Carlsbad	Eldorado
Cleveland	La Cueva	Gadsden	Clovis	Highland
Gallup	Sandia	Las Cruces	Hobbs	Los Lunas
Rio Rancho	Santa Fe	Mayfield		Manzano
West Mesa	Valley	Oñate		Rio Grande

Class 4A – Volleyball

of Schools 25

District	District	District	District	District	District
1-4A	2-4A	3-4A	4-4A	5-4A	6-4A
Aztec	Bernalillo	Chaparral	Artesia	ABQ. Academy	Belen
Farmington	Capital	Deming	Goddard	Del Norte	Grants
Kirtland Central	Española	Santa Teresa	Roswell	Moriarty	St. Pius
Piedra Vista	Los Alamos	Silver		Valencia	Volcano Vista
Shiprock	Taos				

Class 3A – Volleyball

of Schools 27

District	District	District	District	District
1-3A	2-3A	3-3A	4-3A	5-3A
Bloomfield	Pojoaque	Cobre	Dexter	Cuba
Crownpoint	Raton	Hatch	Lovington	Hope Christian
Miyamura	Robertson	Hot Springs	Portales	Laguna Acoma
Newcomb	SF Indian	Socorro	Ruidoso	Sandia Prep
Tohatchi	St. Michael's			Thoreau
Wingate	W. Las Vegas			
Zuni				

Class 2A – Volleyball

of Schools 33

District	District	District	District
1-2A	2-2A	3-2A	4-2A
Navajo Pine	Coronado	McCurdy	Monte del Sol
Ramah	Dulce	Mesa Vista	Mora
Rehoboth	Escalante	Peñasco	Pecos
Shiprock NW	Navajo Prep	Questa	Santa Fe Prep
Tse' Yi' Gai			
District	District	District	District
5-2A	6-2A	7-2A	8-2A
Capitan	Clayton	Eunice	Bosque School
Cloudcroft	Santa Rosa	Hagerman	Estancia
Lordsburg	Texico	Jal	Jemez Valley
Mesilla Valley	Tucumcari	Loving	
Tularosa			

Class 1A – Volleyball

of Schools 41

District	District	District	District
1-1A	2-1A	3-1A	4-1A
Cimarron	Desert Academy	Dora	Clovis Christian
Des Moines	Evangel Christian	Elida	Grady
Maxwell	NMSD	Floyd	House
Roy/Mosquero	Santa Fe Waldorf	Fort Sumner	Logan
Springer	Victory Christian	Melrose	San Jon
Wagon Mound	Walatowa		

District	District	District	District
5-1A	6-1A	7-1A	8-1A
Animas	Alamo Navajo	Carrizozo	Gateway Christian
Quemado	Gallup Catholic	Corona	Lake Arthur
Reserve	Magdalena	Hondo	Mescalero
	Menaul	Mountainair	Tatum
	Pine Hill	Vaughn	Valley Christian
	Temple Baptist		
	To'Hajiilee		

7.22.4 District Tournaments

- A. Date** - Week #18 for classes A and AA
Week #19 for classes AAA, AAAA and AAAAA.
- B. Roster Limitation** - Each team is limited to twelve (12) uniformed squad members. Rosters may not be changed during the tournament from the original list submitted.
- C. Event Conduct** - The site, seeding, bracket personnel and other items are left to the discretion of the schools in the district. The district tournament is under the direction of the district chairperson or his/her designee.
- D. Qualifying Procedures for the State Tournament**

In Classes A and AA, the District Champions and runner-ups advance to the 1st round of the NMAA State Tournament.

In Classes AAA, AAAA, and AAAAA, the regular season District Champion and the District Tournament Champion (could be one or two per district) advance to the NMAA State Tournament with the rest of the field being made up of at-large berths.
- E. District Tie-Breaking Procedures to Determine Placement**
(to be used by ALL districts within the sport of volleyball)
 1. A school must play each member of the district an equal number of times to be eligible for the championship.
 2. District placement is determined by district play record.
 3. If two teams are tied for 1st place there will be an automatic playoff game to determine the #1 and 2 seeds. This game will be played at a neutral site as determined by the NMAA Executive Director.

4. In the event that more than two teams are tied, placement is determined using the following procedures:

- a. The team with the better head to head record in district play between the tied teams will have earned higher placement.
- b. If more than two teams are still tied, then the head to head games within the district matches between the tied teams will be used to determine placement (i.e., 3-0, 3-1, 3-2). The top two teams will then have a playoff game to determine the #1 and 2 seeds.
- c. If a tie of more than two teams still exists, then the head to head points within the district matches between the tied teams will be used to determine placement (i.e., 25-20, 20-25, 25-17, 18-25, 15-13). The top two teams will then have a playoff game to determine the #1 and #2 seeds.
- d. If more than two teams are still tied, then the difference in points scored vs. points given up during the head to head district matches between the tied teams will be used to determine placement (i.e. 25-20, would be + 5, 16-25 would be - 9). The top two teams will then have a playoff game to determine the #1 and #2 seeds.
- e. If a tie of more than two teams still exists, a coin flip will be used to determine placement. The NMAA Executive Director or designee in conjunction with the tied schools will conduct the flip. Three coins will be tossed with the odd team receiving 3rd place and the remaining two teams having a playoff game to determine the #1 and #2 seeds.

5. Ties for second place or lower

- a. The same procedures as outlined above shall be utilized, except a playoff game shall not be included in the process.

F. Financial Reports - A report, along with the distribution, must be made to the NMAA on or before the appropriate deadlines. The report, money, and unused tickets are due twenty-five (25) calendar days after the conclusion of the event. The percentage of gate receipts remitted is set annually by the Board upon recommendation from the Director.

7.22.5 Class A/AA State Tournament Information

A. Dates:

1st Round of State – Class A, AA – Friday, Saturday of Week #19
Seeding – Classes A, AA – Sunday of Week # 20
Quarterfinals – A, AA Thursday of Week # 20
Semifinals – A, AA – Friday of Week # 20
Finals –A, AA– Saturday of Week # 20

B. Roster Limitation - Each team is limited to twelve (12) uniformed squad members for its respective tournament. Rosters may not be changed during the tournament from the original list submitted.

C. 1st Round Financial Reports - A report, along with the distribution, must be made to the NMAA on or before the appropriate deadlines. The report, money, and unused tickets are due twenty-five (25) calendar days after the conclusion of the event. The percentage of gate receipts remitted is set annually by the Board upon recommendation from the Director.

D. Pairings - 1st Round of State pairings by year are as follows:

NOTE: The champion from one district will host the runner-up from another district based upon the rotation below. Districts 1-4 are considered North; Districts 5-8 are considered South. Districts 1-4 will play on a rotating basis and Districts 5-8 will play on a rotating basis.

2009-2010	2010-2011
1C vs. 4R	1C vs. 3R
2C vs. 3R	2C vs. 4R
3C vs. 2R	3C vs. 1R
4C vs. 1R	4C vs. 2R
5C vs. 6R	5C vs. 7R
6C vs. 5R	6C vs. 8R
7C vs. 8R	7C vs. 5R
8C vs. 7R	8C vs. 6R

E. 1st Round Winners - Winners of the First Round of State advance to the quarterfinals and will be seeded into an 8 team bracket.

7.22.6 Class 3A-5A State Tournament Information

A. Dates

Selection/Seeding – Classes AAA, AAAA and AAAAA – Sunday of Week #20
1st Round of State – Classes AAA, AAAA and AAAAA – Thursday of Week #20
Quarterfinals – All Classes – Thursday of Week #20
Semifinals – All Classes – Friday of Week #20
Finals – All Classes – Saturday of Week #20

B. Roster Limitation

Each team is limited to twelve (12) uniformed squad members. Rosters may not be changed during the tournament from the original list submitted.

C. State Tournament

The regular season District Champion and the District Tournament Champion (could be one or two per district) advance to the NMAA State Tournament with the rest of the field being made up of at-large berths.

D. Officials' Fees - Fees for state tournament officials are based on the number of games called plus mileage and per diem if applicable.