



Garrison Petawawa
INTER-UNIT BEACH VOLLEYBALL BYLAWS

Amended May 2025

PSP Petawawa Military Sports, in alignment with the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) National Sports Policies and the Volleyball Canada Rulebook, are required to produce and amend the local constitution and by-laws prior to the beginning of the season to meet requirements of local programming.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Games will be played IAW the [Canadian National Federation Rule Book](#) and By-Laws. All units are responsible for their own rulebook, as copies are not available for distribution.
2. Unlimited substitutions will be permitted for both teams and can be made at any time during the game.

EQUIPMENT

1. The Inter Unit equipment cage now available at DDH Front Desk.
 - a. The Home team OPI/Coach/Captain of the FIRST game will be responsible for bringing out all equipment required for the game.
 - b. Outdoor volleyballs, game sheets and score boards (if score boards are required).
 - c. Rakes will be available at the back door by Sports Stores, for when needed.
 - d. The Home team OPI/Coach/Captain of the LAST game will ensure all equipment is returned at the end of the last game.
2. Dress – PT shirt recommended with shorts.
3. Nets are set to Men's Height.

SCHEDULES/GAMES

1. Games will be played on **THURSDAYS**, beginning on 05 June 2025 – mid August 2025 with the playoffs commencing within the month of August – dates TBD. The game times will start at 1700hrs and 1800hrs respectively, using outdoor courts at Dundonald Hall.
2. All teams must be ready to play 15 minutes prior to the scheduled game start time. Games will commence at their scheduled time.
3. A team can lend the opposing team a maximum of 2 players if that team is short players and both team OPIs/Coaches have agreed to the terms. The OPIs/Coach/Captain of BOTH teams must sign off on the score sheet agreeing to this.
4. The match will be best 2 of 3, rally point to 25 (3rd match to a max of 15 points).
5. If a team cannot make a scheduled game time, the team OPI **MUST** notify the Military Sports Assistant, ***no less than 48 hours of the cancellation.***



6. Military Sports will send out the Playoff schedule a minimum of 48 hours prior to the start of Playoffs.
7. League standings for playoff seeding will be calculated on a percentage base of accumulated points, with minimum of 50 % + 1 games played. In the case of a tie, seeding preference will be given to the team that won last head-to-head match. Teams that do not meet the minimum number of games will be seeded in the bottom position in their advance to the playoffs.
8. In the event that games are cancelled due to adverse weather conditions, PSP Military Sports will do their best to reschedule these games within the month of August, as long as time permits.

OFFICIALS

1. There are no referees used in Beach Volleyball, it is based solely on the honor and fair play system. Please ensure game sheets are properly filled out. Incomplete game sheets will be considered a forfeit.

CANCELLATIONS & ATTENDANCE

1. It is expected that all teams are to attend their scheduled games for the Inter Unit season.
2. Team may only cancel games due to **OPERATIONAL** reasons (training and exercises).
3. **48h notice of cancellation** must be provided to the Military Sports Department or the team that does not show will be given a forfeit loss.

3 STRIKE POLICY

1. No showing/not attending in inter unit sports without cancellation notice is unacceptable.
 - a. **Strike 1** – Email is sent to OPI and Sport Officer
 - b. **Strike 2** – Email is sent to unit Chain of Command, including members from above
 - c. **Strike 3** – Unit is **removed** from the inter-unit league for the entire season. Email will be sent to all those listed above.

PROTESTS

1. All protests must be written on the game sheet, then followed up via email to the Military Sports department within 24hrs of the game, or they will not be entertained.

TEAM ROSTERS & ELIGIBILITY

1. Team Rosters are due by the 3rd scheduled unit game of the 2025 Inter Unit Season. If a roster is not submitted, those specific teams will forfeit their games until the Military Sports Department receives the unit's 2025 inter-unit beach volleyball roster.
2. The minimum acceptable number of players to start a game will be 4. Teams will be limited to no more than 6 players on the court at one time.

3. A player shall play for the unit to which they are posted, attach posted at the beginning of the season or be a DND employee (Civilian member). The League Committee will consider exceptions on an individual basis, such as players away on TD, courses, deployments, out-of-base postings, etc.
 - a. **If your team is carrying a civilian employee, a waiver and proof of payment must be submitted to the Military Sports Coordinator prior to play. If a civilian member/ Team has not done so, then the team will forfeit all games played with that team member including play-off games.**
4. If a player is **posted to a new unit half-way through the season**, the player will be required to play for their new unit, unless one of the following conditions is met:
 - a. A player may play for their previously posted to unit if the gaining unit has agreed to release the member back. A waiver will be required to be signed by the gaining unit's OPI and Sports Officer for release of the member to the previous unit; or
 - b. A player may play for their previously posted to unit if the gaining unit does not have a unit team within the respective inter-unit sport. A waiver will be signed between the gaining unit and losing unit Sport Officers.
5. A player is eligible to participate in any number of inter-unit teams formed by their unit or group of units to which their unit belongs. This player is also eligible to play for the Base Representative Teams. Each Unit's commanding Officer has sole and absolute authority over the number and level of sports a player from their unit may participate in.
6. A player is eligible to play if they are a Reg Force Member or Class "A" "B" or "C" Reservist and/ or a DND civilian employee (with a signed waiver and proof of payment).
 - a. Civilian participation is set out by the Base Commander and not all civilians qualify. Please contact the Military Sport Department for clarification before adding civilians to your roster and having them pay.
7. If a member is suspended from one Inter-Unit sport, the member is **not** permitted to play on any other Inter-Unit sports teams until the suspension has been lifted/served (i.e. suspended from slo-pitch, cannot play on beach volleyball or soccer or golf until suspension is served).
8. **Ineligible Players** – For the 2025 season, there will be a strong enforcement of player eligibility. Team rosters will be compared to the final game sheet at the end of the game by the Military sports coordinator.
 - a. Ineligible players are defined by the following:
 - i. Players who are not apart of the unit team roster prior to game time;
 - ii. Players from a different unit, other than the units scheduled to play, participating in the scheduled game; or
 - iii. Players who do not meet the set eligibility within the bylaw or by that of the PSP Petawawa Military Sports Department.
 - b. Teams caught using an ineligible player shall result in the following penalties:
 - i. All games leading up to, and current games, the ineligible player has participated in will be forfeited.
 - ii. Playoffs – teams caught using an ineligible player will be disqualified from the playoffs, no matter the outcome of the game.
 - iii.



NOTE: Rosters may be changed prior to every new game allowing for new players to play every game. All players rostered must follow the "Team Eligibility" guidelines!

GAME STANDINGS

1. Points will be awarded as follows:
 - a) **Two (2) points will be given for a win, zero (0) points given for a loss and 2 points deducted (-2) from the standings for a forfeit/no show (no notification given to the Military Sports Assistant).**
 - b) League standings for playoff seeding will be calculated on a percentage base of accumulated points, with minimum of 50 % + 1 games played. In the case of a tie, seeding preference will be given to the team that won last head-to-head match. Teams that do not meet the minimum number of games will be seeded in the bottom position in their advance to the playoffs.

PLAYOFF SEASON

1. **Each player must have played a minimum of 2 games to be eligible for the Playoffs.**
2. The Playoff schedule will be prepared and sent out by the Military Sports Assistant at the end of the last Regular Season Game and no later than 48 hours prior to the Playoff Series start date.
3. Format for Playoff Series will be single elimination. All 6 teams from regular season standings will qualify for playoffs. Pending they meet the minimum games required.
4. Rosters must be submitted to the Military Sports Office NLT 48 hours prior to Playoff start date.

END OF SEASON

1. A trophy and banner will be presented to the winning team. The trophy will remain in the display case at Dundonald Hall and the banner is for the unit to bring back to their unit lines.

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