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Hello officials! As we move from pre-season contests to league play the competition is going to intensify, so let's be ready with our rules knowledge. The case manual is a great extension of the rule book – it addresses real situations we encounter on the court AND it includes responsibilities and protocols for the officiating crew. Please take time to read it.

Situations & Observations

***Overhead obstructions** are playable (play off of) as long as they are above a playable area and the team has a hit remaining. Casebook 2.2B Comment adds that the height and distance from the court is not relevant. A side-raised vertical backboard is an example of a playable overhead obstruction.

***Sleeve length** is not criteria when determining compliant jerseys. It can be different between teammates and different for the libero. Casebook 4.2.1A

***Compression arm sleeves** are like knee pads and socks. They do not have to be of a like or similar color to the uniform top and do not have to be the same color between teammates. Casebook 4.2.1G

***The attack line** shall be solid and of one clearly visible color. Officials should request the home coach to tape the line if it is not a solid line. Casebook 2.1.5

***Line Judges** – if not assigned by the local association, OSAA strongly recommends that schools use adults for varsity matches

***Coach Conduct Cards During Tournaments** – cards carry over from match to match. The head coach's right to stand though is reinstated in the next match.

***Informal Signals –**

R2 indicates number of time-outs used to the R1 after whistling the time-out request. R1 does not repeat the informal signal

R2 indicates set/match point to the R1. R1 does not repeat the informal signal

R1 signals legal back-row attack (safe signal): below the net or behind the attack line. These signals are to be used discreetly and **only when necessary** to discern whether the play is legal. See casebook page 98

Preventive Officiating - (Casebook page 64)

Verify the legality of uniforms prematch

Secure the lineups on time

Make sure the player positions on the court match the written lineup when the set begins

Warn the serving team of a possible screening situation

Ignore a sub or time-out request after the R1 has whistled/signaled for serve

Deny a request for a 2nd substitution during the same time-out or dead ball

Correct, without penalty, improper sub procedure when it is not excessive or delays the set

Be prepared to answer legitimate questions from the coach and captain throughout the match (Casebook page 63)

Facilitating the match is our goal. Officials frequently can eliminate certain violations by their actions and words.

Conduct on the Bench Side

***Head Coaches**

May stand in the libero replacement zone to coach players on the court; no closer than 6' from the sideline during play. If there is not 6', "closer to the bench than the sideline" is reasonable.

Request substitutions with the visual signal, or the substitute may enter the sub zone

Request time-outs verbally or with the visual signal

If a red card is issued for unsporting conduct to the head coach, assistant coaches, or team bench, the head coach must remain seated on the bench for the remainder of the match. Exceptions would be to request time-outs or substitutions during dead balls, confer with officials during specifically requested time-outs and those things listed under assistant coaches below.

***Assistant Coaches**

Seated on the bench except during a dead ball to ask the R2 to review the accuracy of the score, verify the number of time-outs or substitutions used by their team, request the serving order of the team, verify the proper server for the opponent

Stand at the bench to greet a replaced player

Confer with players during time-outs

Spontaneously react to an outstanding play by a player of their own team

Attend to an injured player with permission of a referee

***Non-playing team members** shall be seated on the team bench during the set except to:

Spontaneously react to an outstanding play by members of their own team

Go to a non-playable area to warm up without volleyballs prior to entry into the set as a substitute. It is not appropriate for team members or the libero to continually stand in a non-playable area.

Stand at the bench to greet a replaced player, then sit down.

Medical Devices Reminder

Allowed by rule, no waiver or letter of approval needed

Medical devices such as insulin pumps, heart monitoring equipment

Hearing aids, cochlear implants

Protective mask molded to the face

Religious head covering, securely fitting

Medical-alert medals – must be taped to the body and may be visible

Letter of approval by OSAA needed:

Prosthetics

Helmet made of polyethylene foam

Daith piercings for migraines