



# **2021 NZ PROVINCIAL VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**VOLLEYBALL NEW ZEALAND**  
*POIREWA AOTEAROA*

## ***Tournament Manual***

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# Championship Regulations

## 1. Tournament Venue

- ASB Sports Centre
- 72 Kemp Street, Kilbirnie, Wellington 6022

## 2. Dates (Queen's Birthday weekend)

- Plying dates: Saturday 5 June – Monday 7 June 2021
- Entries Window – Wednesday 31 March– Friday 30 April (5pm)
- Team list submissions – Monday 3 May – Friday 14 May (5pm)
- Team Sign In – Friday 4 June (6 pm) Room above Wishbone
- Technical Meeting – Friday 4 June (7 pm)
- Playing dates (Times) - Saturday 5 June (8am) – Monday 7 June (5pm)

## 3. Entry Fee

- Entry Fee: \$600 per team
- Duty Bond: \$100 per team (Must be paid with Entry Fee)

## 4. Grades

- Senior Men's / Senior Women's
- Under 21 Men's / Under 21 Women's
- Under 19 Boy's / Under 19 Girl's
- Under 17 Boy's / Under 17 Girl's

## 5. Player Eligibility

- Players must have New Zealand citizenship. New Zealand citizenship means the person holds or has issued in their name, at least one of the following documents:
  - A NZ Passport
  - A NZ Certificate of Citizenship
  - A NZ Birth Certificate
  - Or a NZ Resident Visa

## 6. Age Group Criteria

- Under 17 Grades
  - Players must be born on or after January 1, 2005 (2005 & 2006) – i.e. can't turn 17 in 2021
- Under 19 Grades
  - Players must be born on or after January 1, 2005 (2003 & 2004) – i.e. can't turn 19 in 2021
- Under 21 Grades
  - Players must be born on or after January 1, 2001 (2001 & 2002) – i.e. can't turn 21 in 2021
- Senior Grades
  - Open

### **Players are expected to play in their age group.**

Exceptions should only occur if all the following stakeholders see that playing in a higher age group is in the best interest of the athlete's long term holistic development:

The player, their parents/guardians, and all relevant coaching staff.

## 7. Association Player (AP)

- Player's may only represent one Association. A player's Association is defined by the following:

### Firstly

- the Association their Secondary School is affiliated to;

### Secondly

- If the player does not attend a Secondary School, the Association that the athlete resides in, per their residential address, e.g. *the Association of an athlete's University or Tertiary Institution*

### Thirdly

- For a Region that has multiple Associations i.e. Auckland, the following rule applies:

If the athlete does not attend a Secondary School but resides in Auckland (Manukau Auckland / Harbour),

- then the Association for which their 2020 Club Team is affiliated to.
- If the player has not affiliated to a club in 2020 then they must consult Volleyball NZ for a decision.

## 8. Exemption Player (EP)

- Each Association team may register one (1) Exemption Player (EP).
- An Exemption Player (EP) is defined as a player who has no Association to represent in their grade, and wishes to represent a different Association, other than that which is defined in the above Players Association section.
- An Exemption Player (EP) must be 18 years or older at the time of the event.

## 9. International Player (IP)

- Teams may register one (1) International Player (IP) in the U17, U19 & U21 grades only.
- An International Player is a player who does not have New Zealand citizenship (as defined in the Player Eligibility section above).

## 10. Right of Entry

- Each Association is responsible for ensuring that all players participating in the Championships have met the necessary player rules and regulations stipulated in Inter-Provincial Volleyball Championships Manual.
  - Please contact VNZ if you are unsure of any player eligibility rules and regulations
- Each of VNZ's 14 Associations are allocated two (2) team entries, per gender, per grade:
  1. Bay of Plenty
  2. Canterbury
  3. Hawkes Bay
  4. Manawatu
  5. Manukau Auckland
  6. North Harbour
  7. Northland
  8. Otago
  9. Southland
  10. Taranaki
  11. Tasman
  12. Waikato
  13. Waitakere East Central Auckland
  14. Wellington
- Where an Association enters two (2) teams in a grade, the Association is required to attest to the rankings of the teams on the final Team List submission

## 11. Team Registrations:

Teams MUST register all players and team officials:

- Of those players, only one (1) may be an International Players (IP) if in the U17, U19 or U21 grades. All other players must have met the player eligibility requirements already established.
- A player may only be registered for one team

## 12.Team Composition

- For U17 & U19:
  - A team may consist of up to 12 players.
- For U21 & Senior:
  - A team may consist of up to 14 players
  - If a team has 13 or 14 players, 2 must be designated as Libero's

## 13.Libero Player

- U17 & U19
  - 1 Libero per set
    - Before the start of each set the team coach must complete the team rotation slip, and indicate the Libero's number.
    - If no Libero number is provided on each set's line up sheet, then no Libero can take the court for that set
    - The Libero may be re-designated at the end of each set
- U21 & Senior
  - 0, 1 or 2 Libero's nominated and signed off on scoresheet prior to match commencing
    - If team has 13 or 14 players, 2 must be nominated as Libero's

## 14.Substitutions

- U17 & U19
  - A team is entitled to twelve (12) substitutions each set.
  - A player may only enter the court three (3) times in a set (starting counts as one (1) entry).
  - Once a player has entered a certain position on the score sheet (i.e. 1-6) a player cannot enter another position.

- U21 & Senior

— Regular FIVB 6 subs per set

## 15. Uniforms

- Shirt numbers must be clearly visible and numbered 1-99 front and back (preferably numbered 1-20).
- Team shirts and shorts must be matching in colour and design.
- The Captain does not need a stripe beneath their number, this is optional.
- Libero must wear a distinctly contrasting coloured shirt for identification, numbered front and back.

## 16. Net Height

All grades

- Male: 2.43m
- Female: 2.24m

## 17. Match Ball

- Only the official Mikasa V200W will be used for matches.
- One match ball per court will be provided.

## 18. Set Format

- All matches will be best of 5 sets (4 sets to 25, 1 set to 15) with a 2-point advantage in all sets.
- Best of 3 sets (2 to 25, 1 to 15) may be used by the organisers to meet draw requirements.

## 19. Match Protocol

- Teams must be present in the stadium at least 15 minutes prior to the scheduled time of their match.
- Courts running late will utilize the 15 pre-match protocol (see Appendix: Pre-match Protocol)
- Team will have a minimum 5 minutes warming up with balls on their side of the court
- Teams will then have ten minutes warm up together at the net
  - For U17 and U19 - At the toss, if either captain requests separate (consecutive) warm-ups at the net, the teams are allowed five minutes each, the team to serve will go first.



- At the Organiser's discretion, matches may be moved to a court differing from that scheduled in the Draw.

## **20.Team Benches**

- Only players and team officials (as listed on the team sheet) are allowed in the playing areas during the allocated match times.

## **21.Match Defaults**

- Any team which is not ready to take the court (6 players) at the scheduled start time of the match, or 15 minutes after the completion of the previous match (if behind schedule) will lose the first set by default.
- If 10 minutes after the commencement of the match, the team has not yet arrived, the match is forfeited.
- Extenuating circumstances will be considered by the Tournament Director, to delay or reschedule a match if circumstances warrant.
- Teams that default without adequate reason will forfeit their tournament bond and may be subject to further disciplinary action. A further \$100.00 Tournament Bond must be lodged with the Event Manager prior to the commencement of their next match.

## **22.Official Protest**

- Should any team wish to make an official protest, the Team Captain must immediately notify the 1st Referee.
- The match will be frozen.
- The Court Controller notified and the Tournament Director or Referee Delegate will be called.
- A \$50.00 fee shall be paid to the Tournament Director or Referee Delegate. (This will be refunded if the protest is upheld.)
- If the protest cannot be resolved by the Referee Delegate/Tournament Director, the Disputes Committee will be formed to consider the Protest. The Disputes Committee may consist of any two of:
  - Tournament Director
  - Referee Delegate
  - Event Manager
  - Independent
- The Disputes Committee decision is final.

## **23.Duty**

- Each team is required to provide:
- U17, U19 & U21

- A minimum VNZ Regional Qualified first and second referee
- Senior
  - A minimum VNZ National Qualified first referee and Regional Qualified second referee
- All
  - Failure to properly complete duty will result in loss of bond and may be further sanctioned.
  - Teams must supply own whistles.

## 24. Line Judges

- All duty teams must supply two (2) line judges for all duties.
- Line judges must be standing and not using electronic devices nor conversing with spectators.

## 25. Adult Duty Responsibilities

- For U17 & U19, an Adult (21 years or older), who is a qualified Referee MUST be present at the score bench, participating with duty or managing the duty team.
  - Managing the duty involves ensuring the duty is done to the best of their ability and ensuring that the Tournament staff are alerted if required.

## 26. Competition Rankings

Rankings will be determined as follows, in order of priority

- Number of Victories: Teams will be classified in descending order by the number of matches won.
- Match Points, which shall be allocated as follows:
  - Match won 3-0; 3-1 3 points
  - Match won 3-2 2 points
  - Match lost 2-3 1 point
  - Match lost 0-3; 1-3 0 points
  - Match forfeited 0 points (25-0; 25-0; 25-0)
- Set quotient: In the case of equality in the number of matches won by two or several teams, they will be classified in descending order by the quotient resulting from the division of the number of all sets won by the number of all sets lost
- Point's quotient: If the tie persists as per the set quotient the teams will be classified in descending order by the quotient resulting from the division of all points scored by the total of points lost during all sets.

- If the tie continues as per the point quotient between two teams, the priority will be given to the team which won the last match between them.
- When the tie in point quotient is between three or more teams, a new classification of these teams in the terms of the above three tie-breakers will be made taking into consideration only the matches in which they were opposed to each other.

## **27. Player and Coach Behaviour**

- Players and coaches are expected to demonstrate good sportsmanship and appropriate behaviour at all times.

## **28. Tournament Bond**

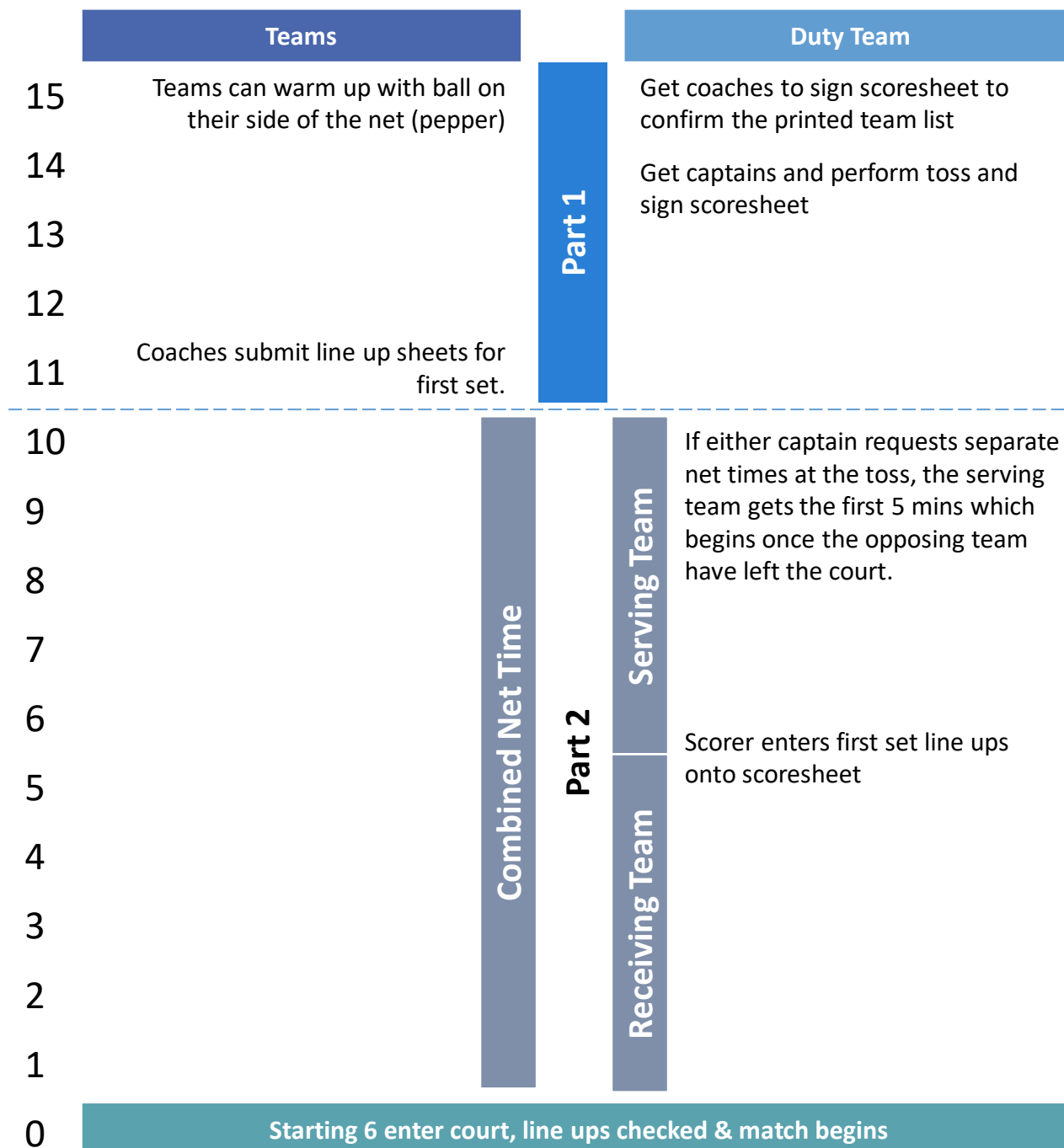
- A Tournament Bond, amount to be advised on the entry form, must be lodged with VNZ at the time of Entry. This bond will be returned after the tournament if all the following obligations have been met. These obligations are:
  - A team list recorded on a score sheet at the VNZ Inter-Provincial Championships must not include any ineligible players.
  - Play all matches as scheduled or as rescheduled by the Technical/Tournament Director.
  - Wear uniforms compliant with the uniform regulations.
  - Perform all duties scheduled (or as directed by the Tournament Director/Referee Delegate).
  - Provide the minimum requirement of VNZ Qualified Referee for your division of entry.
  - Team Coach and/or Manager must attend the scheduled Technical Meeting.
  - Meet all other requirements as per the Regulations.
  - Where a team fails to meet the uniform compliance regulations, the bond shall be forfeited. The match will be permitted to continue but the non-compliance matter must be resolved and Technical/Tournament Director notified prior to the next match commencing. If the matter is not resolved the next match will be forfeited.
  - Where a team fails to meet their obligations during the event, the bond shall be forfeited immediately and the team will be required to post an additional bond with VNZ prior to continuing to participate in the event.
  - Where an Association Team has forfeited their Tournament Bond at the previous Championships, that team shall be required to post a bond that is twice the amount specified for the event in the year following.

- Where a team/club has forfeited the Tournament Bond in two consecutive Championships, right of entry to subsequent events may be determined by VNZ.
- Where a team has not registered/ entered within the registration time frame.

## Appendix: Pre-match Protocol

The following 15-minute protocol is used when a court is running behind schedule.

If the court is running on time, the same protocol is used except part 1 can be extended and part 2 begins 11 mins before the scheduled match start time.



Please note only 1 person is required to run this protocol. It is best for the majority of the duty team to rest and relax and only get into position when the teams are about to take the court to begin the match