

# WESTERN CUP 2022

## Restrictions Exemption Program

The focus and drive for Spectrum Volleyball is to keep our community going, to keep the courts open, and to provide a safe space for our members to play volleyball. We will continue to do that by complying with the Alberta Government mandates. We will aim to create a space where players can come play volleyball knowing that the person next to them is vaccinated. Therefore, moving forward we will be asking players to provide proof of COVID 19 vaccination before participating in any Spectrum Volleyball event including Western Cup.

We will require a government-issued Photo ID in tandem with proof of vaccination in order to verify your identity. Verification will be done at the registration event and when entering the Volleydome GYM. We will not be holding any of your personal health information in our files.

## GENERAL TOURNAMENT INFORMATION:

1. Space is limited to the first 32 Teams in 4 skill divisions.
2. The tournament fee is per team, minimum 7 players
3. Full Team registration and payment are due at time of registration. Failure to pay will result in your team being removed and your spot given to a team on the waitlist.
4. All games will be played at the Volleydome GYM located at 293057 James Jones Way, Alberta T4A 0X1
5. Team Check-in and signing of waivers will take place on Thursday evening (Time and Location TBD)
6. HAVE FUN!

## GENERAL TOURNAMENT POLICIES:

1. Team rosters are capped at 10 people per team and there are no gender restrictions
2. All participants **must** be listed on the team roster. Team additions are not allowed after pool play begins. No participant may play on more than one team.
3. **Each player must present valid I.D. at registration and sign the waiver before being allowed to play.**
4. Each player must be over 18 years old.
5. Each player must wear appropriate apparel and non-marking athletic footwear.
6. Each team must have numbered jerseys on the front or back.

### **ATHLETE/TEAM ELIGIBILITY:**

1. Each team will be allowed to have 2 players that are from one division higher. Only 1 of those players will be allowed on the court at a time. (Example: 1 intermediate-plus player on an intermediate team or 1 intermediate player on a Recreational team.)
2. Each player should be able to rank their own ability and know what division they should play in. Sandbagging is not fun for anyone. Don't do it.
3. If you placed in top 3 of your division last year you must register for the same division or higher.
4. Teams that are playing down their ability to remain in a lower pool/division will be removed from the tournament and banned from playing in future tournaments.
5. Tournament organizers reserve the right to move teams up or down a division.

The reason for this is to make Western Cup as fun and as fair as possible. Failure to follow these rules may result in the player being banned from the tournament or the team being disqualified and banned from future tournaments without a refund.

### **TOURNAMENT RULES:**

#### **GAME SETUP**

1. Teams will have a 5 minute warm up.
2. Teams will be responsible to provide scorekeepers and lines refs. (refer to the schedule for assignments) A volleyball official will officiate only on the **2nd** day of the tournament.
  - (1) Please ensure you and your teammates respect the efforts of officials during the contest.
  - (2) Officials will have the authority to remove members from the match or tournament for any reason he/she deems necessary.
3. **For Pool play teams will be assigned to Ref and provide Lines. (no officials on Day 1)**
4. Pool play games will be played in a two game format with rally scoring. Games will be played to 25, cap at 27 there cannot be a tie for day one. Playoff games will be played best 2 of 3 game formats with rally scoring. Games one and two will be played to 25, cap at 30. A third game will be played if necessary, to 15 cap at 20.
5. Each team will be allowed one timeout of 60 seconds per game (2 max per pool play match)
6. Recreational Division – No jump serving no hard hitting

**OTHER:** Other than the above exceptions, official Volleyball Canada rules will be followed.

### **TEAM CAPTAINS MEETINGS:**

Will be held each morning prior to the start of the games

### **SCHEDULES:**

Schedules for pool play will be done and available at the registration night as well as emailed to team captains. The schedule will be posted on the Spectrum Volleyball Website and Facebook Page and

emailed out to team captains. Spectrum Volleyball will populate a bracket for playoff, and will be filled in based on how each team finishes on Day One.

**DEFAULT/FORFEIT:**

If your team is more than 10 minutes late for a game it will be considered a forfeit and the tournament will proceed without you. (Teams may start with as few as four players. If a team is reduced to less than four players at any time during the contest, a default will result.)

**INJURED PLAYER:**

In the unfortunate situation where someone on your team is injured and you do not have a 7<sup>th</sup> player. You can ask for someone to sub for your team from the same division or lower with approvals from the tournament organizers.