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CIF/Central Coast Section Girls Volleyball Bylaws



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Section 1. SCHEDULED MEETINGS

A. Seeding:	SATURDAY	NOVEMBER 05, 2011	1:00 PM, @ the CCS office
B. Evaluation:	WEDNESDAY	DECEMBER 07, 2011	4:00 PM, @ the CCS office

Section 2. TOURNAMENT DATES

The 2011 CCS Girls Volleyball Championships will be held, as follows:

1st Round (All Divisions):	TUESDAY	NOVEMBER 08, 2011	@ League Champion or High Seed
Quarter.-Finals (All Divisions):	THURSDAY	NOVEMBER 10, 2011	@ High Seed Home
Semi-Finals (All Divisions):	WEDNESDAY	NOVEMBER 16, 2011 OR	
	THURSDAY,	NOVEMBER 17, 2011	Sites TBA
Finals (All Divisions):	SATURDAY,	NOVEMBER 19, 2011	

Section 3. TOURNAMENT FORMAT

A. All qualifiers, automatic or at-large, are required to submit an accurate, complete and signed CCS Volleyball Season Summary Sheet prior to the start of the Volleyball Seeding Meeting in order to be entered into the tournament. All teams who have qualified and are in compliance with this requirement and those covered in all other portions of these bylaws, will enter a single-elimination bracket format as follows:

Division I: 10 Team Tournament	Division IV: 10 Team Tournament
Division II: 10 Team Tournament	Division V: 8-Team Tournament
Division III: 10 Team Tournament	
+6 "floaters" (see Section 5.-A. below) Total = 54 teams	

B. All Automatic Qualifiers meeting the provisions of **Section 4, 5, and 6** below are guaranteed a spot in the Tournament as long as they have submitted their completed, accurate and signed [Season Summary Sheet](#) prior to the beginning of the seeding meeting and are a team in good standing in their district, league, CCS and CIF in all other regards. If the Automatic Qualifiers in any Division exceeds the # of teams as listed above, that Division will be expanded to accommodate such Automatic Qualifiers. Such action, when necessary, will decrease the number of "floater" team that are able to be entered. (See **Section 5.-A.-4.** below)

Section 4. QUALIFYING CRITERIA FOR ENTERING TOURNAMENT

A. ENTRIES

The five[5]-Division Tournament brackets, as described above, shall be comprised of the following:

- League Champion from each League
- PLUS, one [1] additional Automatic Qualifier from every League (**except the MTAL(Coastal)** in compliance with **Section 5.-A.** below;
- PLUS, selected At-Large entries;
- PLUS, At-Large "floater" teams, as specified in **Section 4.-C. and Section 5.-A.** below.

(No Division's bracket may exceed a total of 16 teams.)

B. SUPPLEMENTAL LEAGUES

When two [2] or more basic Leagues join together to form supplemental Leagues, the following shall apply:

1. When two [2] or more supplemental Leagues are formed by the joining of two [2] or more basic Leagues that each had two [2] Automatic Qualifiers to CCS Play-offs, the new supplemental Leagues shall retain the total of their previous Automatic Qualifiers (e.g., League A and B each have two [2] Automatic Qualifiers. When new supplemental Leagues are formed combining A & B, they will have a total of four [4] Automatic Qualifiers).
2. The League Board of Managers having governance authority over the supplemental Leagues shall determine in its bylaws how those Automatic Qualifiers will be allocated from the supplemental Leagues. In the absence of a basic League tournament to determine Section qualifiers, the basic League **MUST** allocate an automatic berth to each of the supplemental League Champions.

C. AT-LARGE APPLICATIONS

Leagues may designate teams to apply for At-Large consideration, if they meet at least one [1] of the following criteria:

1. Have a League record of at least .500; **or**
 2. Have an out-of-League record of at least .500.
- (No waiver may be granted by Leagues for any team not meeting the above criteria.)

D DIVISION PLACEMENT

The previous school year's [grades 9-12 CBEDS enrollment figures](#), will be used to place schools in their respective divisions.

- All schools with enrollment of 500 and below shall be placed in Division V. The remaining schools will be split equally into Divisions I-IV.
- If more than one school has the same enrollment at the "point of division", all schools with that enrollment would be placed in the higher of the two divisions.
- If the number of schools was not a multiple of four, the "extra" school(s) would be placed beginning in the higher division(s).
- Division placement of all member schools for girls volleyball will take place no later than April 15 of each year.
- When determining the divisions, the CCS staff will utilize a list of enrollments without school names attached to insure objectivity.
- Note: The state has put enrollment caps on Division IV (1250) and Division V (500), however, if divided into four equal divisions by enrollment, our Division IV and V member schools must still fall within those guidelines

Divisions	Grade 9-12 CBEDS Enrollments	# of Schools
I	1830+	25
II	1,450-1826	24
III	1,080-1,448	24
IV	501-1033	24
V	1-500	26

Section 5. SEEDING, AT-LARGE, SELECTION AND BRACKING PROCEDURES

The following objective criteria will be used for purposes of seeding and selecting At-Large entries:

- A. All teams wishing to enter the Tournament shall be listed on the board by their League Representatives;(31 Automatic entries, selected At-Large entries and+6 "floaters;" not to exceed a total of 54 teams)
 1. Automatic Qualifiers will be listed by the League, in order of League finish (31);
 2. All other teams will be listed on the At-Large board;
 3. Schools will be identified by their Division of enrollment;
 4. Automatic Qualifiers and At-Large teams for each Division will be selected until the minimum # of teams is met for that Division. If any Division does not have sufficient entries to complete their minimum, an additional floater entry will be added to the Tournament for each "missing" team. If any Division exceeds it's minimum with Automatic Qualifiers, one (1) "floater" entry will be removed for each such Automatic Qualifying team;
 5. The At-Large "floater" entries will then be selected by the use of power-points to reach the total of 54 teams in the Tournament. Each "floater" team selected shall be entered into their Division of enrollment. No Division bracket may exceed a total of 16 teams.

B. POINT-SYSTEM:

LEAGUE CLASSIFICATION >>>	A	B	C
Win	4.0	3.0	2.0
Loss	2.0	1.0	-0-
Bonus Points			
Being a member of the DAL; WCAL	5.0	n/a	n/a
*# Playing a League Champion	3.0	2.0	1.0
* Being a League Champion	10.0	8.0	6.0
# These bonus points can be used a maximum of twice within League play.			
* These bonus points are to be pro-rated in case of competition with, or being, a co- or tri-Champion (i.e., co-Champ. = 1/2 of point value; tri-Champ. = 1/3 of point value)			

C The above point-system will be applied to all games of each team's season. This includes practice games, League games and tournament games. League Play-offs are not to be included in game-count or in point-totals.

D. Add the points, as determined in **5.B** above, and divide by **24**, or the number of matches played, whichever is greater, to determine the team's points-per-match average. This number will be used to select the At-Large teams and seed each Division.

E. LEAGUE CLASSIFICATIONS –See **Appendix A** for specifics regarding calculation of LCI
[\(Click here for League classifications of each school\)](#)

1.	League Classifications shall be reviewed annually at the CCS Volleyball Evaluation Meeting
2.	League playoff results (deltas) will be calculated for each of the past three years, measuring the difference between the starting CCS playoff seed and ending playoff rank for every team in the playoffs.
3.	Individual team results will be compiled into a league positive, neutral or negative delta for each league.
4.	Leagues with a 3-year pattern of higher positive deltas may be considered by the Volleyball Committee for reclassification to a higher league classification
5.	Leagues with a 3-year pattern of lower deltas may be considered by the Volleyball Committee for reclassification to a lower league classification.
6.	The Volleyball Committee will discuss these deltas and a majority of the league representatives present and voting will determine the final league classification for the following season.
7.	2011 LEAGUE CLASSIFICATIONS
	A LEAGUES: BVAL(MHAL); PAL(Bay); SCCAL; SCVAL(DAL); TCAL; WCAL; WBAL(Foothill)
	B LEAGUES: BVAL(STAL); MBL; MTAL(Mission Trail); SCVAL(ECAL); WBAL(Skyline)
	C LEAGUES: BVAL(WVAL); PAL(Ocean); PSAL; MTAL(Coastal)
	Out-of-Section opponents will be classified as "B".

F. BRACKET PLACEMENT

Teams will be seeded according to their point total, with the following exceptions:

1. League-mates cannot meet in the 1st Round;
2. If this occurs, **starting with the first match conflict (by higher seed) in which League-mates are playing each other,** the lower seed **in that match** shall move down one [1] seed;
3. If the League-mate is the #16 seed, then the #16 seed will become the #15 seed, and the #15 seed will become the #16 seed.

G.RESOLVING POINT TIES FOR PURPOSES OF SEEDING TEAMS IN BRACKET

If, when placing teams into the appropriate brackets by the total season points, two [2] or more teams have an equal number of points, the tie will be broken as follows:

1. Head-to-head competition during the season;
2. Record vs. common opponents;
3. Blind draw.

H. League Champions will be the host schools in all rounds prior to Quarter-Finals. If both or neither team is a League Champion, then the higher seed will be the host school.

I. The higher seeded team in the quarter-finals will be the host.

J. If, after seeding a Division by objective criteria, at least two-thirds of the League Representatives present agree that significant misplacement has been made in the seeding of any team, then a subjective change in placement may occur by agreement of at least two-thirds of those League Representatives present.

Section 6. SEASON SUMMARY SHEET ([SEASON SUMMARY SHEET - GIRLS VOLLEYBALL](#))

All League Representatives MUST attend the Seeding meeting and submit a completed **Season Summary Sheet** for each entry from their League. This should include a **Season Summary Sheet** for the Automatic Qualifiers in their respective Leagues, as well as any At-Large applicants. ***Coaches are responsible for submitting the Season Summary Sheet to their League Representative prior to the Seeding meeting. If a completed, accurate, signed Season Summary sheet is not submitted prior to the beginning of the seeding meeting, entrance into the CCS Playoffs will be denied to that team.***

Section 7. SITES

The CCS Commissioner and/or staff shall be responsible for all contracts for sites used during the CCS Play-offs. The CCS Commissioner and/or staff have sole authority to schedule or cancel sites, as well as full discretion as to the assignment or re-assignment of teams to times and sites throughout the CCS Play-offs. The CCS Commissioner and/or staff have the final authority in any disputes over sites or times of play, and the decision of the CCS Commissioner is not subject to appeal, due to the immediacy of running the Tournament for the good of the whole. Neutral sites are not a policy of the CCS and should not be expected in any rounds of play. Sites will be assigned by the CCS for the good of the Tournament.

Section 8. RULES

- A.** The 2011-12 **National Federation** Rules will be used. Winners will be determined by the best 3-out-of-5 matches.
- B. Scoring**
Rally Scoring shall be used in all rounds of the CCS Championships. All games shall be played to 25 points, with the 5th and deciding game played to 15 points.
- C. Coin Toss**
A coin toss shall be conducted between the designated Captains of each team at least 15 minutes prior to the 1st (and 3rd or 5th) game of the match. The visiting captain shall call the toss. The winner shall choose either to serve or receive, or the playing area. The loser of the toss shall be given the remaining choice(s).
- D. Court Changing**
Changing shirts shall take place in the locker rooms or restrooms only (i.e., stripping down to a sports bra in view of spectators is unacceptable behavior. Violations of this rule will be considered "Unsportsmanlike Conduct." It is recommended that if that scenario is not possible, warm-ups should take place while wearing game jerseys.
- E. Timed Warm-Up Procedures** (as taken from the State CIF Handbook)
Warm-up time will be no less than **28** minutes. Teams will be allowed court access prior to the scheduled **28** minutes if the previous match has been completed.
Warm-ups will consist of 16 minutes of shared time, 6 minutes-serving team alone, 6 minutes-receiving team alone. This clock starts after pre-match conference. R2 should ask teams if they wish to be notified when they have one minute remaining in their warm-up.

Section 9. OFFICIALS

- A.** The CCS will contract with accredited Officials Associations to provide referees, umpires and linespersons for all matches.
- B.** For all matches starting with the semi finals, the CCS will provide the necessary table help, including a score keeper and libero tracker.

Section 10. AWARDS

Awards will be presented on the gym floor immediately following the Championship game in each Division:

- A.** 10 Team Trophies: 1 awarded to each Division's Champion and Runner-Up Team;
- B.** 150 Medals: 15 awarded to members of each Division's Champion and Runner-Up Team;
- C.** 5 Plaques: 1 awarded to the Coach of each Division's Championship Team.

Section 11. GAME BALL

The Official Tournament ball is **SPALDING**. For ALL Rounds, **SPALDING** Volleyballs will be used exclusively in all contests.

Section 12. PRACTICE AT CHAMPIONSHIP SITE(S)

No arrangements for practice at competition sites are allowed once the site of the Tournament has been announced. See the "[General Tournament Information](#)" Section of this Tournament Guide for the specific policy. Schools found in violation of this rule may be barred from further participation in the Section Play-offs.

Section 13. TEAM BENCH

- A. In first round matches, the host school shall be considered as the "Home" team and shall have choice of team bench. In subsequent rounds the "Home" team shall be the highest seeded team and consequently will have choice of team bench.
- B. Teams shall occupy the bench located on the side of the net adjacent to their playing area throughout the match.
- C. Only the coach, team manager, statistician, trainer and players shall be on the bench during the match.

Section 14. SPORTSMANSHIP

- A. The member schools of the CIF-Central Coast Section are committed to providing a sportsmanlike environment for students, coaches and spectators.

Our Sportsmanship Definition is:

A person who can take a loss or defeat without complaint, or victory without gloating, and who treats his/her opponents with fairness, courtesy and respect.

- B. The following behavior is **unacceptable** at all CIF/CCS High School contests:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • berating your opponent's school or mascot • complaining about officials' calls (verbally or in gestures) • berating opposing players 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • artificial noise makers • obscene cheers / gestures • negative signs
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- C. To this end, each school is required to submit one (1) signed Sportsmanship Contract on or prior to September 15 of the school year. This contract confirms that the principal has verbally and through written communication addressed the importance of sportsmanship to his/her student body, faculty and community.

Section 15. ELIGIBLE ATHLETES

- A. All student-athletes must be in good standing with their Leagues, schools and CCS in order to compete. No ineligible athletes will be allowed to compete.
- B. Any player or coach who is disqualified from a Tournament contest for FLAGRANT MISCONDUCT or UNSPORTSMANLIKE BEHAVIOR will be disqualified from all remaining contests in that sport that season, including CIF Nor-Cal and CIF State Championships.

Section 16. FACULTY SUPERVISION

Adequate student/spectator supervision **MUST** be provided by each school participating in the Tournament. School administrators/faculty who attend the contest in this capacity should introduce themselves to the CCS Site Director, and tell him/her where they will be located throughout the contest in case their assistance is needed. It is the responsibility of the school supervisory personnel to prevent and correct any inappropriate behavior of their schools' students or spectators. (See **Section 17.B** below for **PASS GATE LIST** information for adult supervisory personnel.)

In order that all persons may experience maximum enjoyment at CCS athletic events, and to encourage good public order, it is the policy of the CIF-Central Coast Section that all persons wishing to audibly cheer or support a particular team be seated in an area designated for, or most closely associated with, the team in question. Seating of persons audibly cheering for a particular team in the cheering section of, or areas most closely identified with, the opposing team is to be avoided whenever possible, and such persons shall be directed by staff to the appropriate seating location for their team.

Section 17. TEAM AND EVENT PASSES

- A. Teams shall enter through the pass gate with their coach.
- B. Schools will be allowed free admission for six [6] Adult Supervisory personnel in addition to the team and coaching staff. These individuals must be listed on the Pass Gate List Form, signed by the Principal, and then submitted at the entry gate in time for these individuals to be granted complimentary admission.

Section 18. REPORTING RESULTS

It is the responsibility of all teams to report their results in a timely fashion to the media in their area, as well as to CCS. Contest results will be posted on the CCS website [www.cifccs.org] as soon as possible.

Section 19. PROGRAMS / ROSTERS ([TEAM ROSTER FORM - GIRLS VOLLEYBALL](#))

Official Team Rosters are due no later than **NOVEMBER 1ST**, in order to be included in the Tournament program.

Section 20. TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

The [CCS Participant Information Bulletin](#) will be e-mailed to all schools and the media approximately three [3] weeks prior to the start of the Tournament. Bracketing information will be available on the CCS website [www.cifccs.org] following the Seeding Meeting.

OTHER IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS RELATED TO PLAYOFFS:**CCS PLAYOFF POLICY**

[Click here to see entire policy](#)

***CIF VOLLEYBALL BYLAWS*****2900. RALLY SCORING**

- A. Rally scoring shall be utilized for all rounds of the State Volleyball Championships. All games shall be played to 25 points, and the fifth and deciding game shall be played to 15 points.
- B. Rally scoring shall be utilized for all volleyball contests at the varsity level for all Sections. All games shall be played to 25 points, and the fifth and deciding game shall be played to 15 points.
- C. Rally scoring shall be utilized for all sub-varsity volleyball contests for all Sections. All games shall be played to 25 points with the deciding game played to 15 points.

(Approved May 2003 Federated Council)

ATTACHMENT A—Girls Volleyball League Classification Index

1. League re-classification data will be reviewed at the CCS Volleyball Evaluation Meeting every year by the CCS Volleyball Evaluation Committee.
2. League playoff result "deltas" will be calculated as follows:

A.	The current year's CCS Playoff Results will be used each year to calculate each respective year's leagues deltas
B.	Deltas are calculated on how a team finishes in the playoffs. If a team finishes in the round they are projected to make by their Starting Seed, the delta shall be zero. This is the case for starting seeds 9-16 losing in the first round, seeds 5-8 losing in the Quarters, seeds 3 and 4 losing in the semis, and seeds 1 and 2 finishing first and second in the finals.
C.	For the other scenarios, the Delta is calculated as shown in Table 1
D.	The Deltas of each CCS playoff team in that league shall be added together. The result is recorded as the Total Delta for that league for that year.
EI.	The 3-Year League Average Delta is re-calculated each year and the leagues are ranked in Delta order (from highest to lowest). The 3-Year League Average is the sum of the League deltas over the past 3 years / 3. Example shown in Table 2

3. The 3-YEAR AVERAGE DELTA will be shown to the Volleyball Evaluation Committee.
4. Leagues will be ranked from highest delta to lowest delta for discussion purposes.
5. Leagues with the highest (positive) deltas may be considered for re-classification to a higher level (C to B, B to A, A to A+) by the CCS Volleyball Evaluation Committee.
6. Leagues with the lowest (negative) deltas may be considered for re-classification to a lower level (A+ to A, A to B, B to C) by the CCS Volleyball Evaluation Committee.
7. The Volleyball Evaluation Committee will document their discussion each year, and the calculations shall be stored with CCS Office.
8. The determination to move a league up or down will be a recommendation included in the CCS Volleyball Committee Report.

Starting Seed	Lose in First Round	Lose in Quarters	Lose in Semis	Lose in the Finals	Win in the Finals
#9 - #16	Zero	Pos (start seed - 5)	Pos (start seed - 3)	Pos (start seed - 2)	Pos (start seed - 1)
#5 - #8	Neg (start seed - opp seed)	Zero	Pos (start seed - 3)	Pos (start seed - 2)	Pos (start seed - 1)
#3 - #4	Neg (start seed - opp seed)	Neg (start seed - opp seed)	Zero	Pos (start seed - 2)	Pos (start seed - 1)
#1 - #2	Neg (start seed - opp seed)	Neg (start seed - opp seed)	Neg (start seed - opp seed)	Start seed - 2	Start seed - 1

Table 1: Delta calculations

League	Current Class	2008	2009	2010	3yr	3 yr
		Delta	Delta	Delta	Total	Avg
WCAL	A+	3	4	10	17	5.7
MTAL-B	B	5	4	-1	8	2.7
WBAL-B	B	-1	-2	9	6	2.0
ELCAMINO	B	0	4	0	4	1.3
STAL	B	4	0	0	4	1.3
WBAL-A	A	3	1	0	4	1.3
DEANZA	A+	6	-2	-1	3	1.0
TCAL	C	0	1	2	2	0.7
MBL	B	0	0	0	0	0.0
MTAL-C	C	0	0	0	0	0.0
OCEAN	C	0	0	0	0	0.0
WVAL	C	0	0	0	0	0.0
BAY	A	-2	2	-1	-1	-0.3
PSAL	C	-1	0	0	-1	-0.3
MHAL	A	0	-2	0	-2	-0.7
SCCAL	A	-3	-2	-5	-10	-3.3