

2009 Searcy Shindig  
Coaches On-Line Meeting Information

Team check-in is not required; however, you and your team will be responsible for being at your assigned court ready to begin play/referee at the designated time; however, please know that other than 8:00 AM start times, all other times are approximate and matches may begin earlier or later than scheduled so, please stay attuned to your division's actual running time(s).

Please note: teams having playing and/or refereeing times scheduled at 8:00 AM, should report no later than 7:50 AM for warm-up and preparing for scorekeeping and meeting with the R1. Barring any unforeseen circumstances, first serve should be whistled at 8:00 AM. Please have your teams ready to take the court immediately following the prior match; though we will try to stay on the assigned schedule, it is at the discretion of the tournament director to begin play sooner if the R1 and scheduled refereeing/scorekeeping team are ready.

Paid R1s are provided. Each team must provide 1 down referee, 1 scorekeeper, 1 libero tracker, 1 score flipper and two line judges for their assigned times. The team's coach must be present during their scorekeeping time. Please note that any team that fails to provide their officiating duties could result in the forfeiture of the first set of their next match; one point per minute will be deducted from the team's next set until forfeit. If the team is still not present at the forfeiture of the first set, the R1 has the right to forfeit the offending team's next match without waiting. If it is the last match for the day, the forfeiture will carry forward to bracket play; if this offense occurs on the last match of bracket play, the team may incur a financial fine.

Please remember to have proof of medical releases for each of your players. Release forms will not be turned in to the tournament director. Coaches should retain your teams medical release forms.

Please bring and turn in your final rosters to the tournament site coordinator if you have not previously sent it in or if there are any changes. Rosters are set/final after the start of Pool Play.

All USAV rules will be enforced. Rally scoring is in effect. Four-team pool play will consist of two sets to 25 with a cap at 30. Play will begin at point 4, for a 21 point set. Bracket play will be single elimination, best two out of three sets to 25, no cap, with the third set to 15, no cap. All championship matches will begin at point zero. There will not be a consolation match.

**Due to time and court constraints, the 15s and 13s will referee the pool play for the 14s (please see the pool play spreadsheets for assignment).**

Please note the Venue rules laid out in the Information Booklet and ensure that all players are aware of these rules and abide by them.

Each court will have assigned Court Monitors to assist with any questions or issues. Court Monitors will help oversee scorekeeping responsibilities, gather scores and deliver them to the official site scorekeeper, and ensure team bench areas are kept clean. **It will be the responsibility of each team to clean their benches at the conclusion of their match!**

Warm-up time will be conducted in the 2-4-4 minute format. Warm-up times and any pre-match protocol will be established and overseen by the R1.

Tie-Breaking Rules for Pool Play:

Scenarios:

- 1) Two teams tied for 1<sup>st</sup> place with both teams advancing to Gold:
  - a) Head to Head match results
  - b) Total points differential for complete pool.
  - c) Coin flip.
- 2) Two teams tied for 2<sup>nd</sup> place with one tied team advancing to Gold:
  - a) Teams play one 15 point set, no cap. Note: the losing team of the prior match will officiate this play-off. If the losing team is one of the play-off teams, the winner of the prior match will officiate.
- 3) Two teams tied for 3<sup>rd</sup> place with neither team advancing to Gold:
  - a) Head to Head match results.
  - b) Total points differential for complete pool.
  - c) Coin flip.
- 4) Three teams tied for 1<sup>st</sup> place with two tied teams advancing to Gold:
  - a) The team with the best overall points differential for complete pool play will be ranked as 1<sup>st</sup> and will not have a play-off. This 1<sup>st</sup> ranked team will referee a single 15 point play-off set, no cap, which will be played between the remaining tied teams. The winner will be 2<sup>nd</sup> in the pool and the loser will be 3<sup>rd</sup> in the pool.
  - b) Should any team involved in the three-way tie should leave before the determination that a tie-break is necessary, that team will automatically become the 3<sup>rd</sup> place team. The remaining two teams will finish 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> in the pool based on the tie-break seeding process for two teams tied. No tie-break set is to be played.
- 5) Three teams tied for 2<sup>nd</sup> place with one tied team advancing to Gold:
  - a) All three teams will play tie-breaking sets. The seeds for the tie-breaking play-offs will be determined by the following:
    - i) overall pool point differential
    - ii) coin flip
  - b) The 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> seed teams will play first, in a single 15 point play-off set, no cap; the 1st seed team will officiate. The loser of the first set will be 4<sup>th</sup> place and will officiate the next play-off.
  - c) The winner of the first set will play the 1st seed team in a single 15 point play-off set, no cap. The winner will be 2<sup>nd</sup> place and the loser 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

d) Should any team involved in the three-way tie should leave before the determination that a tie-break is necessary, that team will automatically become the 4th place team and the other two teams will play one tie-breaking set.