

DEXTER PARKS AND RECREATION CO-ED ADULT VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE 2018 Season

General Information:

Age Division: Adults only league; all players must be at least 18 years of age.

Program Division: Registration will be by team only. No free agent registrations. Open to the first 8 teams to register.

Season: The season will begin April/May and end in June. All games will be played on Wednesday nights only provided the schedule is balanced. No tournament will be played. All DPR Co-Ed teams will have the option to enter the Grille It Up Mud Volleyball tournament at a discounted fee of \$100.

Eligibility: Open to anyone provided they meet the age requirement and sign the player agreement form. All teams must obtain and complete a league packet, which includes the registration information, official roster, league by-laws and player waivers. All forms must be completed and returned by the deadline. ***The final team rosters, player waivers and registration fees are due on or before April 12, 2018. Rosters may not be updated to add players after the registration deadline.***

Registration: Deadline to register is ***April 12, 2018***. Registrations will be submitted as a team. Teams must have a minimum of 7 players with a maximum of 10 players. Registrations will be taken at the DPR office Monday-Friday 7:30AM-4:30PM, closed Noon to 1:00PM. ***Online registrations will be available but team waivers must be in the office by the deadline. Team captains will need to notify the DPR office how the player waivers will be sent, i.e. in office, fax, mail, email.***

Objective/Purpose: The purpose for which this league was organized was to develop and operate an adult volleyball league governed by the Department of Parks and Recreation. The league will operate in conformity with and pursuant to the principles, rules, and regulations of the governing body. In conjunction with the purpose to develop sportsmanship and promote good will among teams and individuals participating. It is not meant to be, and will not become, an intensely competitive program in which participants place the importance of winning ahead of sportsmanship and fun. High School Rules shall govern all procedures in this league except when there is a conflict with the special adopted provisions set forth.

Team Fee: \$300.00

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Co-Ed Adult Volleyball By-Laws

Team:

1. Acceptance of a team registration is interpreted to mean that the team captain and all players are thoroughly familiar with this packet and agree to abide by all rules stipulated within.
2. Acceptance by the Department of Parks and Recreation of any adult sports team registration implies that all participants are specifically granting irrevocable permission to Parks and Recreation and its assigns, both during and anytime after, to use their likeness, name, voice, or words in either television, radio, film, newspapers, magazines, and other media, and in any form, for the purpose of advertising or communicating the purposes and activities of the Department of Parks and Recreation.
3. Teams are required to submit an official roster. Additional players may be added to the roster through April 12th. At that time the team's roster is final. Any team using a non-rostered player will forfeit any games that player participates in. No player can be on two rosters.
4. All players MUST be able to produce positive identification if requested by an official.

Player/Team Conduct:

1. All players and teams will be expected to conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner.
2. Any disagreement with a judgment call of any official shall result in an unsportsmanlike foul. This includes any verbal objection to or protest of any call and/or any body language which indicates dissatisfaction with or disapproval of any call.
3. All unsportsmanlike fouls are punishable by a point given to the opposing team and loss of ball possession. If a second unsportsmanlike foul is assessed to the same player, in the same game, the offending player will be immediately ejected for the remainder of the game and will be granted a one game suspension. The team may play with a substitute as long as the male to female ratio is maintained. On the second unsportsmanlike foul on the same team, in one game, the penalty shall be two points and loss of ball possession. If a third unsportsmanlike foul is assessed on the same team, in the same game, the team will automatically forfeit the game and will be instructed to leave the facility immediately. DPR will open an incident report on the situation, speak to all parties involved and make a decision on whether or not the team will remain in the league or be removed from the schedule.
4. The official will have the authority to call unsportsmanlike fouls on site after a game has ended. Any player receiving 3 unsportsmanlike fouls (during or after the game) in a season will be automatically disqualified for the remainder of the season.

5. Undue harassment of the officials will result in the ejection of the individual(s) involved from the game. Any player, coach, or fan that is ejected from a game will be suspended from participation in his/her team's next game.
6. After an ejection, the individual ejected must immediately leave the gym. Failure to do so or continued harassment of the official will lead to suspension from the program for the remainder of the season and forfeiture of the game by that player's team.
7. Any player who strikes, attempts to strike, or verbally threatens an official or program supervisor; who strikes or attempts to strike another player will be suspended from participation in all Parks and Recreation leagues for a period of one calendar year.
8. All team captains are encouraged to instruct their players on the importance of proper facility care. By participating in this program every player accepts responsibility for the facilities and equipment involved—A player guilty of careless destruction of property (rims, nets, etc.) is personally responsible for the damages. Any team or individual who intentionally damages park property or facilities being used for Parks and Recreation programs will be billed for the full replacement cost of said property and will be suspended from all Parks and Recreation programs until such restitution is made.
9. No expecting mothers will be allowed to participate for the wellbeing of everyone involved.
10. We also ask that parents who are taking part in the program to not allow children to run free during games or to play with the balls supplied by DPR. It seems that many parents bring children to games and then leave them unsupervised while playing. Children must be accompanied by an adult; children must remain seated on the bleachers at all times and are not allowed on the court during warm ups. This is a legitimate concern to Parks and Recreation and offers the possibility of a real tragedy should a child be injured or missing.
11. Parks and Recreation reserves the right to lengthen any suspension if circumstances so warrant.

Smoking/Alcohol/Abusive Language:

1. Smoking is not permitted in any part of the gym. If you must smoke you are asked to smoke outside away from the gym doors and not to throw your butts on the ground.
2. Alcoholic beverages may not be consumed on the premises, including parking lots, or any area around gym facility. Possession and consumption of alcohol are grounds for expulsion from the program. Fans and players under the influence of alcohol will be asked to leave the premises. Failure to do so will result in forfeiture of the game and removal of the individual from the program.
3. Abusive and/or foul language will not be tolerated. Game officials and/or Department of Park and Recreation officials have the authority to eject or give unsportsmanlike fouls to team and/or players using foul language. If the team is not playing at the time they will forfeit their game and be asked to leave gym area immediately.

Uniforms:

1. We recommend that game shoes be carried into the gym. No wet or muddy shoes will be allowed in any game.
2. The player's shirts do not have to be the same style and color but **must have to have a number on the back** and no players on the same team can have the same number. This rule will be enforced by the officials. If a logo appears on the front of the uniform it must be approved through the department of Parks and Recreation. Any number will be allowed but players will not be allowed to participate with three digit numbers. Players must also wear shorts or sweat pants, which need not be uniform.
3. All players must wear volleyball or tennis shoes while participating in Parks and Recreation play. Soft-soled street shoes are not acceptable.
4. Jewelry may be worn and is at player discretion.
5. Players not adhering to these requirements will not be permitted to play.

Game Procedure:

1. All games will be played according to the *official rules of high school volleyball* except as stipulated herein.
2. A coin toss will determine 1st for serve. Then the alternate possession rule applies. There will be free substitutes at all dead balls, however, a team may choose to play by mandatory rotation. After choosing free substitution or mandatory rotation it will remain that way for the set.
3. Games will be played in two 20 minute sets with rally scoring. If a third set is needed, it will be rally scoring to 15 points. Must win by 2 points. The official or park employee may call a side out and award a point to the opposite if a team is purposely trying to run time off the clock. It will be the official's judgment—which cannot be argued. Teams will get a maximum of 2 minutes between sets. The only time the time clock will stop will be for team timeouts, official's timeout and the two minutes between sets.
4. Game set up will be: 6:00pm game- 6:00-6:10pm will be warm up, you will have a 20 minute set, 2 minutes between sets then another 20 minute set and if a third set must be played it will be to 15 points. Games will run consecutively meaning as soon as one game ends, the 10 minutes warm-up clock will be started and the game will begin promptly after time expires. Some games could begin earlier or later than the scheduled time so all teams are expected to be ready to play when the game before finishes.
5. Each team is entitled to one 45-second timeout per game.
6. Teams playing with 6 players must play with 3 males and 3 females. A team playing with less than six people must maintain at least 2 females on the court at all times and will take an automatic loss of rally whenever the empty spot rotates to the serving position and a point will be awarded to the opposing team. If playing with 4 players, teams must play with two players on the front row and two players on the back row.

7. At the end of the 10 minute warm up all teams must have at least 4 players to start a game (male/female ratio applies). If a team shows up with 3 players and one is on the way (running late) the first set is forfeit. The forfeit team will receive a 20 minute grace period in which the player has the opportunity to show up. As soon as the late player arrives, the clock will be reset and the second set will start immediately. If the player does not make it by the end of the 20 minutes, the entire game will be a forfeit. Teams with less than four players will constitute as a forfeit. Only two forfeits allowed per season. A third forfeit will result in removal from the schedule.
8. Players arriving late must check into the game immediately upon arrival. Late players entering the game must enter the rotation in the empty spot provided the male to female ratio maintained. Teams are not allowed to change rotation to accommodate late players. Late arrivals may enter the game immediately up to 6 players. If a team already has 6 players on the court, additional late players must wait until the next set to enter the game.
9. Substitutions can be made player for player per the official High School Rules or teams may rotate in middle back before the serve provided the male to female ratio is maintained and the serving order is not disrupted (out of consecutive serving rotation). If it is not possible for a team to maintain the required ratio without being out of serving rotation, then the team will be required to substitute player for player. No liberos.
10. A back row player may attack a ball from the back row provided they jump and REMAIN behind the 10 foot line. Players landing on or in front of the 10 foot line after an attack will be called in violation and a side out will be given to the opposing team.
11. Kicking the ball will not be allowed. Players may play the ball off of their foot but the foot must be on the ground.
12. Any ball touching side and end basketball goals will be considered out of play, side-out.
13. When any program participant is bleeding, has blood on his or her person or clothing, or has an open wound, he or she must leave the activity for appropriate treatment including bandaging as necessary to prevent recurrence. In all adult sports each team should be equipped with first aid supplies including rubber gloves and bandages for treatment or wounds, and 70% isopropyl alcohol for disinfecting skin and uniforms. Parks and Recreation will not supply any of these items.
14. In all adult volleyball leagues a substitute shall replace a player leaving the game per #13 or any other injury. The original player may not return until the next opportunity for substitutions. If a team does not have an available or legal substitute it may play with less than five players without a side out penalty for the vacant spot (only applies to injuries occurring during the game).
15. The DPR will supply the game ball.
16. There are no restrictions on team sponsorship.—Other than approval of logo by department of Parks and Recreation.
17. A scorekeeper will record the score on a Score Validation Card.

18. All game officials will be assigned and approved by the DPR and will have authority to enforce all rules and regulations. They will have authority to order a player, captain, fan, to do or refrain from doing, any act which, in their judgment, is necessary to give force and effect to one or all rules and regulations.
19. The game score will be kept by a DPR paid official who will also operate an electric clock.
20. An official's call is final. No exceptions. Questioning a call in an unsportsmanlike manner will not change the official's decision. Arguing with official's will not be tolerated on any level. You will be asked to leave the game if you persist. If you are asked to leave the facility, ejection rules will apply. (See Rules 1-7 of Player/Team Conduct)
21. Forms are available on which team captains may express their dissatisfaction with officials. Action will be taken by the Parks and Recreation Department only on written complaints.

Rescheduling:

1. When games are canceled due to inclement weather, scheduling difficulties, etc. the team captain will be notified by phone. It will also be posted on our Dexter Parks and Recreation Facebook page. Ultimately, the team captain will be responsible for notifying his/her team of any cancellations and rescheduling.
2. If a team captain has not been notified about the rescheduling within 24 hours of the cancellation he/she should contact the Parks and Recreation office.
3. The Parks and Recreation Department reserves the right to reschedule for any day, gym, or time when it becomes necessary to do so in order to complete the league schedule. If a team is unable to play at the rescheduled time, the game will count as a forfeit loss on their record.

Final Decisions:

Dexter Parks and Recreation will make the final decision in all matters concerning the league governed by these by-laws.