



Balcatta Volleyball Club

Social Volleyball Competition

BYLAWS

1. Players

- a. A Team Captain and Vice Captain will be nominated at the start of the season for the BVC Competition Coordinators to liaise with. The captain and vice-captain will be accountable for their team.
- b. As a competition run by an affiliated club, all players in the BVC Social Competition should be registered with Volleyball WA as a Full or Social member.
"Regular" players can register as a social member with VWA by contacting reception@volleyballwa.com.au, with fees and information available at <http://www.volleyballwa.com.au/indoorsocial.htm>. BVC Social will endeavour to assist social players with their registration once per season.
- c. Players are permitted to play for more than one team during regular season games. However, players must play with their own team (ie the team they registered with and/or have played the most games with) in finals.
- d. Correct player names (minimum first initial, last name) should be recorded on the score sheet each week, and a player must play in at least **three (3)** regular season games for the specified team to be considered a "regular" player qualified to play in finals for that team.
- e. Teams must field at least 4 players to avoid a forfeit.
- f. Player safety, fun and participation are key elements of the BVC Social Competition. As such, replacement or fill-in players should be appropriate for the grade in which they are filling in.

2. Fees:

- a. The game fee for the Summer 2010 season is \$42 per team each week. Players who have contributed to a game fee are invited to stay for social drop-in volleyball at no additional charge (where advertised as available).
- b. There is a \$50 bond due with nominations that BVC will hold for the season in case of a team forfeiting (see 3a). Any bonds held at the end of the season will be refunded, or bonds can be rolled over to the next season.

3. Forfeits:

- a. **Late notice for non-attendance, no shows and teams presenting <4 players will forfeit their \$50 bond.** A team that forfeits will be expected to replace their \$50 bond at their next fixtured game to continue playing the season and will be required to pay a standard game fee if a replacement team cannot be found for their opposition that week (ie replace \$50 bond + \$42 game fee). Teams will not be allowed to register for the next season until they have finalised any forfeits from the previous season.



- b. Team Captains should strive to avoid forfeits for whatever reason. If provided notice, the BVC Competition Coordinators can assist with fill-in players for teams with less than four players available. Games or byes **may be able to be rearranged at the discretion of the BVC Competition Coordinators** if enough notice is provided.
- c. Where a team fields a "regular" player or players that play more than **three (3)** regular games in a season and are not registered with Volleyball WA, all subsequent games for the season may be registered as a forfeit, making the team ineligible to play in the finals series and for any prizes offered. Team points and forfeits can be reinstated if all "regular" players in the team register as Social members with Volleyball WA.

4. Games:

- **Regular season games:**
 - **Best of 3 sets**
 - First 2 sets to 25 points uncapped (point for rally)
 - 3rd and deciding set to 15 uncapped (point for rally)
 - **Time limited to 45 minutes**
 - Warm-up period of **5 minutes**
 - If after the expiry of time and the game is not completed, then should both teams be equal on sets, a win will be awarded if one of the teams has reached at least **8 points and** there is a **2 point** advantage. Otherwise the game will be recorded as a draw.
- **Scheduling/Fixtures:**
 - Fixtures, results, forms and competition ladders can be found on the BVC website www.balcattavolleyball.com.au
 - From this season on, fixtures will be posted for a minimum of three weeks in advance of the current week
 - Where required, a bye may be used where there are an uneven number of teams entered. Byes will not occur any less than six weeks apart for a specific team (unless specifically requested)
 - Requests for specific times, bye dates or reschedules should be directed to the BVC Competition Coordinators as early as possible. All fixturing and any changes requested are at the discretion of the coordinators
- **Game Rules:**
 - A Libero Player is allowed
 - Substitutions are allowed (either 7 person rotation or player for player – advise the referee what you are doing)
 - One (1) time-out is allowed per team per set at the discretion of the referee. No time-outs in the last 5 minutes of scheduled games
 - Teams are allowed to play with a minimum of 4 players
 - Being a social competition, all players should play in the spirit of a social game. BVC appreciates players displaying sporting conduct and support for the referees.

POINTS shall be awarded as follows:

- 3** for a win
- 2** for a draw or bye
- 1** for a loss
- 0** for a forfeit



5. FINALS:

- a. Finals will be best of 3 sets, first 2 to 25 points uncapped (point for rally), third to 15. Grand Finals will be untimed, semi-finals may be untimed depending on court availability
- b. A player may only play for one team (per grade) in season finals series and must have qualified for that team (see 1.d.). Use of an unqualified player in finals will see the game recorded as a loss for that team
- c. At the conclusion of the season, the Grand Final will be scheduled on a BVC club event night at Newman College with presentations after the game