

## VOLLEYBALL SUPPLEMENT-2009/10

### Article 1 GENERAL INFORMATION

#### Section 1

##### Conference Eligibility

###### A. General Guideline

1. All Conference colleges will recognize and abide by the State Athletic Constitution and the decisions of the California Community College League of California and the Commission on Athletics.

###### B. Eligibility

1. To be eligible to participate in all non-conference and conference contests all student athletes must be registered in classes according to the requirements set forth in the State Athletic Constitution and By-Laws and the BIG 8 CONFERENCE Constitution and By-Laws.
2. Conferences shall require each college to certify athletic eligibility to the conference commissioner's office postmarked or emailed prior to the first game, meet or match. Addendums to Form 3 may be submitted at a later date, but the athletes listed on the addendums are not eligible until the postmarked date.
3. An ineligible player is defined as a player who has not completed or adhered to all the requirements of the State Athletic Constitution and Conference By-Laws.
  - a. Any college that allows an ineligible player to participate in a contest, whether team or individual shall forfeit the contest and/or are subject to disciplinary action by the conference commissioner. Such disciplinary action may include sanctions as described in Article 7.4.3 of the State Athletic Constitution.
  - b. During the season of competition, all member colleges shall check the eligibility status of student athletes at a minimum of once per week. Per CCCAA requirements, each student athlete must meet eligibility requirements before competing in any contest.

#### Section 2

##### Sport Chairperson

- A. Elected from among the respective coaches of each men's and women's sport for a term of two years starting July 1.

- B. The duties of the sports chairperson shall be to:

1. Establish coaches meeting dates in conjunction with the sports administrative representative. The end of season meeting of the conference coaches shall take place immediately after the completion of conference play.
2. Attend and chair all said coaches' meetings for the purpose of developing a conference schedule, outlining procedures to be recommended to the conference for consideration, developing and modifying the sport supplement, and selecting all-conference and MVP recipients.
3. Compile a master contest schedule and sports supplement to be forwarded to the sports administrative representative for presentation at the appropriate conference meeting.
4. Collect league standings, and other relevant information, and communicate them to fellow coaches and the sport administrative representative on a minimum of once per week.

#### Section 3

##### Sport Administrative Representative

- A. Appointed by the president, in consultation with the conference commissioner, from among the conference assembly athletic directors.

- B. The duties of the sports administrative representative shall be to:

1. Set coaches' meeting dates in conjunction with the sports chairperson;
2. Attend all such meetings for the purpose of development and modification of the sport guide, report all-conference selections and MVP information to the conference commissioner.

- C. Present conference contest schedules and sports supplements at the appropriate conference meeting for approval. Fall sport schedules and supplements should be presented at the regular spring meeting. Spring sport schedules and supplements should be presented at the regular fall meeting.
- D. Maintain records of league standings and all other matters pertaining to each sport.
- E. Submit a year-end report to the conference commissioner no later than two weeks after the State Championship for that specific sport.

#### Section 4

##### Meetings

- A. Coaches will meet a minimum of two times each year.
  - 1. Post-conference-at the completion of conference competition (November).
  - 2. Off-season-at least 3 weeks prior to the Big 8 Assembly meeting (August).
- B. The post-conference meeting shall address the following issues:
  - 1. All-conference awards, MVP, etc.
  - 2. Post conference information
  - 3. Completion of statistics
  - 4. Recommendations for Big 8 Volleyball Supplement changes
  - 5. Input for CCCAA/Big 8 legislative issues
  - 6. Election of next Sport Chair
- C. The off-season meeting shall address the following issues:
  - 1. Competitive schedule (complete with dates and times)
  - 2. Specific amendments to the sport supplement
  - 3. Input for CCCAA/Big 8 legislative issues
- D. One week prior to any meeting, the administrative representative will remind all coaches regarding date, time and place.
- E. A quorum for any meeting will be 50% plus one.
- F. Coaches must be present to vote.
- G. It is the responsibility of the administrative representative to forward any pertinent information from the state coaches association to division coaches whenever appropriate.
- H. If a college coach cannot attend a meeting, the coach can get someone else from that college to represent.

#### Section 5

##### Sport Supplement Revisions

- A. Recommended revisions of the sport supplement shall be finalized and distributed to the administrative representative for that sport two weeks prior to the scheduled assembly meeting.
  - 1. Fall semester sport supplements shall be presented at the spring conference meeting.
  - 2. Spring semester sport supplements shall be presented at the fall conference meeting.
  - 3. Proposed changes to the sport supplement that affect the competition format and scheduling be presented 1 full year prior to their proposed implementation.
- B. All proposed changes should be provided on a cover sheet attached to the revised sport supplement. The administrative representative shall distribute the cover sheet and revised sport supplement to all member or hosted colleges that sponsor that sport one week prior to the scheduled assembly meeting.
- C. The administrative representative will make sure the supplement and schedule are included on the consent agenda at the designated conference meeting.
- D. Once approved by the conference assembly, final approved copies of the sport supplement shall be mailed to all member or hosted colleges that sponsor that sport.
- E. All sections of the supplement and cover sheet must be dated and identified as draft/approved in the upper right hand corner.

#### Section 6

##### College/Competition Venue Information

- A. It is the responsibility of the host college athletic director to distribute competition venue information to all conference and hosted colleges.
- B. The following items should be addressed by the Host School:
  - 1. Directions to campus
  - 2. Map of the campus
  - 3. Parking permits and other campus rules
  - 4. Dressing room accommodations
  - 5. 12 indoor practice balls in a cart for the visiting team (home team should notify visiting team if they need to bring practice balls)
  - 6. The administrative representative on-site needs to introduce him/herself to the opposing coach
  - 7. Provide conference approved protocol packet (including an officials evaluation sheet)

8. Towels will be provided to keep the court clean and dry.

Section 7

Decorum

- A. General decorum, including playing within the rules, showing good sportsmanship, treating players, coaches, officials and fans with respect, and conducting all activities with “class” and professionalism, is the responsibility of all participants of both the host and visiting colleges. Decorum at California community college events is the responsibility of all participants. Decorum rules apply to all conference and non-conference contests. Individual sport supplements may be more strict, but not more lenient, than the decorum rules listed in Article IX of the Big 8 Constitution/By-Laws.
- B. The responsibility for the on-site enforcement of decorum shall be specifically addressed within each sport’s supplement.

Article 2

**SPORT SPECIFIC GUIDELINES**

Section 1

Personnel and Dates For Upcoming Season

- A. Sports Chair: Kelly Wood, Santa Rosa Jr. College
- B. Fall Meeting: Monday-August 24, 2009 at **5:00-Conference Call**.
- C. Spring Meeting: Friday-November 13, 2009 at Sacramento City College at 3:30.
- D. Season start dates:
  1. Practice may begin August 15, 2009
  2. Competition may begin-August 26, 2009
  3. Number of contests: 21

Section 2

Schedule/Competition Format:

- A. Format
  1. The format of the competition schedule shall be double round robin (Formats shall be reviewed annually).
  2. The maximum number of matches shall be limited to 21. This includes scrimmages but excludes NorCals and State Championships. A “Promotional Intermission” may be held as stated in NCAA Rules.
- B. Dates/Times
  1. Conference matches will be scheduled on Wednesday and Friday.
  2. Game times will be 6:30.
- C. Pre-game activity:
  1. The gym will be game ready one hour prior to the start of the volleyball match.
  2. **Two full baskets of volleyballs must be full and ready to use by each team’s allotted time.**
  3. Pre-game warm-up shall start 19 minutes prior to game time.
    - a. 4 minutes-visitors
    - b. 4 minutes-home
    - c. 5 minutes-visitors
    - d. 5 minutes-home
  - e. coin flip

Section 3

Rules of Competition

- A. The NCAA Rules will be in effect—Forfeits, Suspended Games, Defaults & Game Delays
  1. In the event of a team arriving late due to circumstance beyond their control, the match will begin 45 minutes after the arrival to the gym. This time will include the official 19-minute warm-up allowed for both teams.
  2. In all other situations, refer to the Big 8 Conference Constitution.
  3. An appeal may be made to the commissioner for a decision of “emergency” which would warrant a make-up game. If a make-up game is necessary, it shall be played at the earliest open day of the two schools involved. Availability of gymnasium and officials should be considered when determining the “earliest day”.
- B. Protests
  1. Refer to the Big 8 Conference Constitution.
- C. Equipment
  1. The following volleyballs may be used for division matches: Molten Super Touch--white
  2. Uniforms must comply with NCAA Rules. Only non-marking shoes will be allowed on the volleyball courts.

3. There will be no changing of jerseys/tops while in the gym in the view of fans or the opposing team.
- D. Scoring
1. The home team shall provide the official scorer, libero tracker (assistant scorekeeper who can be the clock operator) and two trained lines persons who are not members of the team (someone not on the roster). In an emergency, any personnel can be used if both coaches agree.

#### Section 4

##### Decorum

- A. The State Athletic Constitution Article 9.3 and the Big 8 Conference By-Laws Article IX, Section 1-9 inclusive, establish decorum rules. A sport supplement may establish decorum rules that are stricter, but not less harsh, than the State Athletic Constitution and Big 8 Conference By-Laws standards.
- B. Taken from the NAGWS Rulebook 4.6. For minor unsporting offenses such as talking to opponents, spectators or officials, shouting or disrupting the conduct of the game, a warning (individual yellow card issued by the first referee) is issued and is recorded on the score sheet. A second minor offense during the same game by the same team member must result in a penalty (individual red card).
- C. For rude behavior, a second minor offense or other serious offenses, a penalty (individual red card) is issued by the first referee and is recorded on the score sheet. A penalty automatically entails the loss of service by the offending team if serving, or if not serving, the awarding of a point to the opponents. A second act warranting the issuing of a penalty to a team member during the same game results in expulsion. Expelled individuals must leave the team areas until the next game of the match. A second expulsion during a match must result in the disqualification of the team member. No further penalty is assessed.
- D. A second expulsion during a match or any feigned attempted or actual physical aggression toward officials, opponents, other team members or spectators of a match (red and yellow cards held apart). A disqualified team member must leave the team and spectator area of the match. No further penalty is assessed.
- E. Any sanctions for misconduct between games will be administered in the game following such misconduct.
- F. Any sanctions for misconduct following a match will be administered in the first game of the following competition. Administrators or their designee shall determine the offensive parties involved and report to the conference commissioner for appropriate sanctions during the next match.

#### Section 5

##### Championship/Tournament/Playoff Procedures

- A. Play-off Procedures
  1. The top two teams will be the automatic qualifiers to the state championship playoffs.
  2. If two teams tie for first place, they will be designated as co-champions.
  3. Teams with the same record in the standings will go determined by order listed below until tie is broken:
    - a. head to head competition among the tied teams
    - b. game to game competition among the tied teams
    - c. point to point competition among the tied teams
    - d. head to head competition against the highest ranked non-tied division team
    - e. seeding representative is selected at the post-season meeting
    - f. the seeding representative will attend the NorCal seeding meeting and represent their division
    - g. All coaches of potential playoff teams will provide a completed season summary form to the seeding representative
    - h. seeding representative responsibilities.

#### Section 6

##### Officials

- A. The first referee and the second referee must have a current NCAA rating and be assigned by the California Volleyball Collegiate Officials Association (CVCOA).

#### Section 7

##### Statistics

- A. Coaches are responsible to send overall player statistics, conference stats, match results and overall/conference record to the Big 8 webmaster by 5:00 p.m. on Mondays.

#### Section 8

##### Awards

- A. All-conference team selection
1. The first place team may nominate up to five players. The second and third place teams may nominate up to four players. All other teams may nominate up to three players for consideration.
  2. Twelve (12) all-conference awards including an MVP award and eight (8) second team all-conference awards will be given.
  3. Open voting shall be held at the post-season conference meeting on the Friday following the last conference match at Sacramento City College. Any school not represented will forfeit all nominations. Voting will be done as follows: 12 points-best player, 11 points-2<sup>nd</sup> best, 10 points-3<sup>rd</sup> best, 9 points-4<sup>th</sup> best, 8 points-5<sup>th</sup>, 7 points-6<sup>th</sup>, 6 points-7<sup>th</sup>, 5 points-8<sup>th</sup>, 4 points-9<sup>th</sup>, 3 points-10<sup>th</sup>, 2 points-11<sup>th</sup>, 1 point-12<sup>th</sup>.
  4. A coach may not vote for their own team nominees.
  5. Vote in descending order.
  6. The athlete with the most cumulative points shall be the MVP. The next (11) athletes with the highest votes.
- B. Coach of the year-shall be voted on by the coaches at the end of the season, by paper ballot.
- C. Academic all-conference
1. Academic all-conference awards will be given to any second year volleyball player (sophomore) with a cumulative G.P.A. of 3.0 or better. **Due 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday in January by**
  2. **3:00 p.m..**