

RULES

1. Teams are responsible for being at their courts and *ready to play* for their first game and all subsequent games until they are eliminated from the tournament. "Ready to play" means that all team members have checked in with their Pod Coordinator, signed and returned their waivers, received their wristbands, made any other necessary preparations to play, and are ready to take the court.
2. Teams that are not present and ready to play may be penalized one point for each minute they are late, up to the total number of points for the game.
3. Each team will be guaranteed 2 games. The first game will be to 30 points. Subsequent games will be to 25 points. If circumstances require (e.g., weather delays, game delays, etc.) games may be shortened in order to speed the pace of the tournament. The number of points to be played in championship round games will be determined by the Tournament Director.
4. A team may win by one point.
5. A maximum of 8 people are allowed on the court at one time, two of whom must women.
6. The ball must be served by the right back, behind the rear out of bounds line and may be hit in any manner with the hand. Prior to service the ball may not be loaded with mud.
7. It is a foul for players to touch the net.
8. Players of the serving team must rotate clockwise when receiving the ball to serve, and the right back must serve.
9. A point will be scored each team the ball is put into play, regardless of which team is serving.
10. Holding and throwing the ball while it is in play is a foul. The play must be distinct batting of the ball.
11. Three hits to a side. A player may not hit the ball twice in succession. A block is not considered a hit
12. A ball may be played by any part of the body.
13. It is a violation to spike with two hands.
14. Only the front line is permitted to spike.
15. Everyone participating must wear flat soled shoes. NO SPIKES.
16. Rules are subject to referee's interpretation.
17. Any player arguing with or abusing an official will be asked to leave the game and immediate vicinity. Failure to leave will cause his/her team to forfeit that match. A player ejected from a match will not be allowed to participate in any further matches.
18. Referees' decisions are final. No protests.
19. Substituting will only be allowed from the serving position, except in cases of injury.
20. A court consists of a net and genuine Roscoe Mud.
21. A player cannot play for more than one team at the same time.
22. If a team needs a player, arrangements must be made with the Tournament Director.

Cold Beer On A Hot Day or Alcohol At Mud Volleyball

- No outside alcohol is allowed in the court area. The Roscoe Police are responsible for enforcing this ordinance and will be onsite throughout the day.
- Beer and pop can be purchased at the beverage stands at either end of the vendor line.
- Before your first beer purchase, you will need to show your driver's license or other valid photo ID with date of birth at the Carding Tables at each beverage stand.
- The wristband you will receive after showing your ID will indicate that you have been carded. Keep it on and you will not have to show your ID again.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- The land we are playing on is a Roscoe Township Park. It is illegal to have or to consume carry-in alcoholic beverages. The Epilepsy Foundation has been granted a license to sell beer at the event.
- No animals are allowed.
- No glass is allowed.
- While a team may have only eight players on the court at one time, two of whom must be women, we do suggest that you have extra players in case of fatigue or injury.
- Basic First aid is available at the First Aid Tent next to Main Stage.
- Time between matches will vary. Each team is responsible for being at their court at the scheduled time.
- It is recommended that players wear high top shoes or secure their shoes to their feet with duct tape.
- We play rain or shine. In case of an electrical storm, the tournament will be reduced as necessary to determine a champion. The length of a storm delay will be determined by the Tournament Director in consultation with the Fire and Police Departments with information from the National Weather Service.
- Souvenir t-shirts will be sold prior to the tournament at the Epilepsy Foundation office and on the day of the event.