School Games Volleyball – Briefing Notes

Try to brief teams on arrival regarding court size and service zone so that they can have had time to practice serving before briefing

Fire

- Thank hosts & get host teacher to explain procedure

First Aid

- First point of call: Your teachers, organizer is back-up

Photography

- Ask if there is anyone who would prefer not to be photographed for social media / press to let their coach know and pass that on to organizer / photographer

Safety

- Bags, water, etc behind benches at ends of hall
- Be strict on feet going under net
- Ball on court, shout, chase, stop, replay

Signpost to local clubs / camps (see overleaf)

Substitutions

- Either roll-on-roll-off (at service) or
- Official substitutions (player off can come on, starting player can come back on for player who replaced them, but nobody else, original sub cannot be reused in that set)
- Captain to let referee know if using official subs

Toss & Change Ends

- Only change if a clear advantage for one end
    - Change @ X points
- Rock-paper-scissors. Winner decides whether to serve, receive or choose end. Loser gets other choice

Balls

- Which ones to use for matches

Court Size

- In general
    - **Width: Doubles badminton**
    - **U15+: Length: Specify line close to back wall**
    - **U15+: Explain "imaginary" side lines to join badminton courts side lines to base line**
- Check "School Games in Suffolk" for Stoke High an others without net spanning multiple badminton courts

Service Zone

Back white line

Can't step on or over whichever line is being used

Warm-up

If court size and service zone explained to all teams prior to briefing, just a couple of minutes before each match. Otherwise have two minutes serving practice for all teams at the same time after briefing.

Line-judging, refereeing and scoring

Introduce volunteers

Explain scoreboard, ask to have it facing court

Explain which side refs should stand

Explain signals and rules for the following

- **Beckon to serve**
- **Point awarded**
- Foot fault on serve
- Ball can touch net
- **Can't block serve**
    1. **Playing the serve straight back when the ball is above the height of the net from inside the front court - we will use the badminton short service line to delineate the front court**
- Ball in (any part of the ball touching line is in)
- Ball out (includes roof, Basketball hoops, spectators,…)
- Ball touched
- Double touch (individual, but if first is block, that is OK)
- Four touches (if first is block it doesn't count though)
- **Ball held (carry)**
    1. **Two open hands under the ball**
    2. **With back to the net, playing the attack hit with two open hands pushing ball**
    3. **Playing the attack hit as a push with an open hand - tip using fingers is acceptable, hit using palm and fingers is acceptable, push using the palm and fingers is a fault**
- **No use of leg below knee unless it just hits you**
- Net touch
- Foot over centre line
- Replay point (Let)
- **Timeout (up to two per set)**
- No restriction on back-court players

Tournament format

Decided based on number of teams

- **Match duration, do they have to win by two?**
- **What should happen at end of match with scores?**
- Criteria for deciding ties, explain format for qualifying for today's finals

What next?

- **[Who qualifies – dates & venue for future round]**

Where next

- Eastern Region Development Camps
    - eastvolleyball.co.uk
    - Twitter & facebook: VballEast
    - Instagram: unleash_the_b_east_volleyball
- suffolkvolleyball.org.uk/clubs
    - Ipswich VC
    - Ipswich Ravens
    - SCC Seagulls
    - Stowmarket VC
    - Bury Bobcats