Volleyball SA
State Schools Cup

2006 Tournament Regulations

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1. **Team Withdrawal**
Teams that withdraw after nominations close will incur a $50.00 administration fee fine.

2. **Student Eligibility**
Participating Students must be full time students of the school.

Participating Students must be enrolled and in attendance at the school until at least September 29th 2006.

Students must be under 20 years of age for the entire year of the competition.

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Students may play for one team during the entire tournament. If special circumstances warrant; a team may request for a player to move to a higher division for the remainder of the tournament. Requests are to be directed to the Tournament Director. If permission is granted, the player is then tied to the higher division.

3. **Coaching**
Every team must be accompanied by a coach / supervising adult at all times. Coaches are asked to fill in the score sheet prior to each match.

4. **Volleyball SA Membership**
All players must have a current Volleyball SA membership to participate in the tournament. Teams that have non VSA members will not be eligible to compete. A School’s Cup Only Membership is available for $20 per participant or players can get an annual Under 19 Membership for $35.

5. **Australian Schools Cup**
It is compulsory to play in State Schools Cup if you wish to qualify your team for an Honours Division or Open First Division at the Australian Schools Cup (Melbourne 4th-9th December).
6. **Match Regulations**

The 12 substitution rule will apply in all divisions for all matches.

The libero may change each set.

No time outs or substitutions will be allowed in the last five minutes of any timed match.

Matches are to start at the scheduled time. If a team is not able to take the court five minutes after the scheduled start time they shall forfeit the first set, ten minutes late and they shall forfeit the second set, and 15 minutes late and they shall forfeit the third set.

Players may not enter an adjoining court to retrieve a ball if a match or warm up is in progress. The ball will be whistled out by the match or second referee. Any ball which is retrieved from outside the playing area is no longer in play or playable.

**Round Matches**

All round matches for all divisions are best of five sets with a 60 minute time limit. Teams are permitted a ten minute warm up after the 5 minute match change over. Warm up time and match time will be timed by the clocks in the stadium.

**Warm Up**

Warm up will consist of four minutes general warm up, four minutes spiking together, one minute serving and one minute coach’s instruction time. Other spiking / serving combinations may be used with mutual agreement from coaches but time may not be increased.

**Finals**

Students must play a minimum of one round match to qualify for finals.

All Division and Under 14 Finals, (including semis and positional playoff matches) will be best of three sets; third set to 15, change ends at eight. Matches will have no time limit.

All Honours Semi and Grand Finals will be best of five sets with no time limit.

All Honours positional playoffs will be best of three sets; third set to 15, change ends at eight. Matches will have no time limit.

7. **Net Heights**

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8. **Duty**

Teams that are rostered for duty must supply a top referee, second referee, scorer and two line judges for each match. Referees must supply their own whistles. Volleyball SA will supply a top referee for the Under 17 Honours and Open Honours Grand Finals, duty teams will be required to fill other positions.

Teams must report to the Arena Manager immediately after the previous match on the court is completed for collection of score sheet and ball. Teams will be required to sign for the ball and score sheet at the beginning of their duty. Completed score sheets and ball must be returned to Arena Manager at end of match to complete their duty responsibilities.

Duty teams must be accompanied by an adult that participates in the duty at all times. Teams without the adult present will incur a loss of premiership points at the discretion of the Tournament Director. Acceptable participation includes 1st and 2nd refereeing, scoring, or close supervision at duty court at all times.

Participants involved in duty must not use a mobile phone or mp3 player during duty, or be wearing a hat. Premiership points will deducted at the discretion of the Tournament Director for offending teams.

Teams that fail to turn up for duty will incur a loss of three premiership points at the discretion of the Tournament Director.

9. **Blood Rule / Injury**

If a match is delayed by an injury or the blood rule, the time clock for that court will be stopped, and stated again once the injured player / blood is removed from the court. Volleyball SA will supply equipment for the cleaning up of blood at each stadium. During the match should a player bleed, they must inform the referee and leave the court immediately. They may not resume playing until:

- All bleeding has stopped
- The wound has been securely covered
- Blood is removed from the person
- Blood is removed from any equipment
- Clothing with blood on it has been replaced

10. **Rescheduled Matches**

The tournament director has the right to reschedule forfeited matches upon application for a team if they can demonstrate that they have been disadvantaged due to circumstances beyond their control. The rescheduled match shall not take place within two hours of another commitment of the team that was in attendance. (This concession shall not apply to the forfeiting team)
11. Power Blackout

**Time Limit Match**
In the event of a power blackout, where it is deemed impossible for play, if 40 minutes of the match time has been played the result will stand (providing the power doesn’t return).

If 40 minutes of the match has not been played, a draw will be recorded (providing the power doesn’t return).

If the power does return, and there is at least five minutes of play remaining, then the match shall proceed.

No extra time will be allocated for the amount of lost time. In the event of the power being off when both teams are due to commence playing, teams must wait 15 minutes, after which time a draw will be recorded.

**No Time Limit Match**
If three sets have been completed the match will be deemed live and the result will stand (all points count). If after thirty minutes the power has not returned, the match will be called off. Should the match not have reached the fourth set a draw will be recorded.

12. Uniforms
Teams must wear identical playing tops and shorts (colour and style). All shirts must be numbered front and back. Libero’s must be identified with a contrasting coloured playing shirt or netball style bib. Any variance form this must be approved by the tournament director prior to the beginning of the tournament.

13. Tournament Points
Three (3) points for a win
Two (2) points for a tied match
One (1) point for a loss
Zero (0) points for a forfeit

14. Champion School
The Champion School for the tournament will be decided by cumulative points gained by the leading six teams for each school. Please contact Volleyball SA or see the tournament director for points system. Where playoffs do not occur, the final standings from pool rounds will remain.

15. Medal and Closing Ceremonies
Medal Presentations for all Divisions other than Under 17 Honours and Open Honours will occur at the completion of each time slot and each stadium. Under 17 Honours and Open Honours medal ceremonies will occur during the Closing Ceremony along with the Presentation of the Champion School Shield. Medals will be awarded based on team numbers in that specific division. (Two or Three teams = Gold, Four or Five = Gold and Silver, Six or more = Gold, Silver and Bronze.)

16. Protests
All protests shall be resolved on the spot through the tournament protest committee. The committee shall be made up of the Tournament Director, the Referee / Technical Delegate and the Arena Manager.
17. **First Aid**
Schools and individual team are requested to provide their own first aid kits. However, Volleyball SA will have first aid supplies and a Sports Trainer available at each venue. Strapping tape will not be available. All students must be accompanied by an adult when visiting the sports trainer or 1st aid person.

No jewellery shall be worn by any player during a match.

18. **Ambulance Insurance**
Schools are responsible for covering the cost of any ambulances required for their students during the tournament. Schools should ensure that ambulance insurance is in place.

19. **Other**
Schools are also asked to supply drink bottle holders for all teams during matches.

No food or drink, other than water is permitted in all stadiums.

Volleyball SA reserves the right to remove or combine a division prior to the tournament if there are not enough nominating teams to constitute for one.