



Ohio Valley Region Rule Modification: Liberero Serving

**Scoring, Libero Control Sheet,
Liberero Serving and Replacements**

**2011-2012
USA Volleyball Season**



OVR Rule Modification



OVR Modification to USA Volleyball Rules

The OVR Board of Directors has approved a rule modification to allow ONE Libero to serve in the match. The current women's NCAA rules and interpretations will be implemented in this regard. If a team utilizes two Liberos in a match, the coach (or captain) will designate the ONE Libero to be eligible to serve during the match by placing a triangle around that Libero's number on the line-up sheet submitted for Set 1. This Libero will be permitted to serve in ONE position in the service order during each set.

All other USAV-FIVB Libero playing rules will remain unchanged.



OVR Rule Modification



19.3.2.1 Replacements are unlimited, but there must be a completed rally between two replacements involving a Libero (unless a penalty causes a rotation to position 4, or the Acting Libero becomes unable to play, making the rally incomplete).

OVR modification: If the designated “serving Libero” is currently on the court, ONLY that Libero may replace the player in Position 1 as the next server without the need for a completed rally between replacements. A second Libero replacement may not take place during the same dead-ball period in which the “non-serving Libero” has been replaced by the original player, and the “serving Libero”, who is on the bench, wishes to replace the server.

Keeping Score with Two Liberos & Scoring Updates for The “Libero Serve” Rule Modification

Line-up Sheet

Note the Libero box with TWO spaces. The box is listed ONLY for the first set of each match.



The image displays a grid of 18 line-up sheets arranged in 3 rows and 3 columns. The top row represents the first set of three matches, the middle row the second set, and the bottom row the third set. Each sheet is titled 'SET 1 LINE-UP SHEET', 'SET 2 LINE-UP SHEET', or 'SET 3 LINE-UP SHEET'. The sheets include fields for 'TEAM:', 'COACH SIGNATURE', and 'SERVICE'. A 'LIBERO' box is present in the top right of the first set sheets, containing two empty spaces. In the second and third set sheets, this box is absent. Red boxes highlight the Libero box in the first set sheets, and red arrows point from the text on the left to these boxes. Another set of red arrows points from the text on the right to the Libero boxes in the first set sheets, indicating their absence in the subsequent sets.

There is no Libero box for the second or third sets.

Line-up Sheet & Two Liberos

Set 1		LIBEROS	
LINE-UP SHEET		5	16 
IV	III	II	
12	9	1	
V	VI	I	
23	8c	6	
COACH/CAPTAIN SIGNATURE			
<i>Jim Goodcoach</i>			

When using two Liberos, the coach **MUST** designate the Libero that will serve in the match by placing a triangle over that Libero's number when the Set 1 line-up is submitted. This will be the **ONLY** Libero that will be allowed to serve for that team during the **MATCH**.

TIP: If no Libero number is triangled, inform the second referee so that he/she may ask the coach if a Libero will serve. If a "Serving Libero" is not designated on the line-up sheet for Set 1, **NO** Libero may serve for that match.

NOTE: If a team is using only one Libero, place an "X" in the second Libero box. Only one Libero will be allowed during the match. We will assume that this Libero may serve; the coach does not have to place a triangle over this Libero's number to designate this.

Libero CONTROL Sheet

The Libero Tracker can “pre-populate” the Libero boxes for ALL sets since Libero designation is for the match. Likewise, the Serving Libero can be marked for each set.



Libero Control Sheet

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I		I		I	
II		II		II	
III		III		III	
IV		IV		IV	
V		V		V	
VI		VI		VI	

Enter the Libero number(s) in the Libero boxes and starting players' numbers in the SP column. When the Libero enters, write L or R, showing which Libero entered, next to the exiting player's number. When the Libero leaves, write the returning player's number or L or R if replaced by the other Libero. If a regular sub occurs, slash the player number and enter the new number.

IV	6	L	6	L	6	2	1	L	R	2	1	6
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Libero CONTROL Sheet

		Libero	
		L	R
(A) SP		5	16
I	6	R 6 R 6	
II	7		
III	9	L 9 L R	
IV	12		
V	23 4		
VI	8c		
Subs		1	2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12

Record both Liberos exactly in the order they are listed on the line-up.

Use an "R" to note when the second ("reserve") Libero replaces a player.

The second Libero can replace the Acting Libero.

A slash "/" is used for substitutions.



Libero CONTROL Sheet



Libero
L 5 R 16
A SP AVC

I	6	
II	7	L 4 R 1 R L 1
III	9	
IV	12	
V	23	L 23 R 23 L R 23
VI	8	



When the designated Serving Libero serves, place a **TRIANGLE** around the Roman Numeral, identifying the service position. This is the **ONLY** position where this Libero can serve during this set.



Libero CONTROL Sheet



AorB **(A)** SP Libero
 L 5 R **16** AVC

AorB **(B)** SP Libero
 L 9 R X Team Gold

AorB **(A)** SP AVC

I	6		I	4		I	6	
II	1		II	8		II	1	
III	9		III	3		III	9	
IV	12		IV	5		IV	12	
△ V	23	←	V	6	→	△ V	23	
VI	8		VI	1		VI	8	

In a deciding set, if the designated Serving Libero for the team **on your LEFT** serves before the change of courts, place a triangle around the Roman Numeral of the serving position on both the **far left** and **far right**. If the designated Serving Libero does not serve until after the change of courts, you only need to place a triangle on the **far right**.

Scoresheet & Libero Serve

Non-Deciding Set

START	8 : 02		TEAM	AVC		Libero	A or B	A	R
	I	II	III	IV	V	5	16		
	6	11	9	12	23				8

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Scoresheet & Libero Serve



Deciding Set

START :	TEAM		Libero#	Points		TEAM	Points	Points	At Chg		TEAM	END :
I	II	III	IV	V	VI	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	
			▲								▲	
			↑								↑	

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Scoresheet & Libero Serve



Running Score Column

If the designated Serving Libero serves and her/his team wins the rally, place a **TRIANGLE** around the point in the *Running Points Column*.



Points		
1	12	23
2	13	24
3	14	25
△4	15	26
△5	16	27
6	17	28
7	18	29
8	19	30
9	20	31
10	21	32
11	22	33

"Double" Libero Replacement

Note: The designated Serving Libero **MUST** already be on the court.

		Libero	
(A) SP	L	R	
I	6	5	16
II	7	L 4	R 4
III	9		
IV	12		
V	23	R	23 R
VI	8		

- Designated Serving Libero is on the court (Libero "R")
- When the team wins the rally, Libero "R" (on the court) will be the next server
- Front-row player #4 replaces Libero "R"
- The designated Serving Libero "R", who is on the court, moves to the service position and replaces #23

When the designated Serving Libero is on the court, and is to serve next, a **"double" Libero replacement** may take place. This is the **ONLY** time two replacements may occur without a completed rally between them. **THIS IS RECORDED AS TWO SEPARATE REPLACEMENTS.**



"Double" Libero Replacement



Important Notes:

The "double" Libero replacement is an exception to the rule requiring that a completed rally take place between Libero replacements. **This is the ONLY exception** to this rule.

The designated Serving Libero must ALREADY be on the court to do the double replacement. A Libero/Libero replacement may NOT take place at this time.

If the designated Serving Libero is on the bench while the other Libero is on the court, and the Libero on the court exits due to rotating into the front row, the designated Serving Libero must wait a completed rally before entering the court. (The Libero on court must exit, a completed rally must take place, and then the designated Serving Libero may enter the court.)



Cases & Scenarios

For The Libero

OVR Libero Cases

-  **OVR:** For the first set of the match, if a coach doesn't specify which Libero will serve, can the coach make this designation in a subsequent set?

No. The “serving Libero” must be designated at the start of the match, just as the coach will designate his/her team's Libero(s) at the start of the match.

-  **OVR:** If a team uses only one Libero, must the coach specify whether or not that Libero will serve?

No. When a team utilizes only one Libero for the match, it will be assumed that this Libero may serve.

OVR Libero Cases

 **OVR:** If the “serving Libero” becomes injured/ill and can’t continue play in that set, can the team’s second Libero take over the serving duties?

No. Similar to current Libero re-designation rules, the injured/ill Libero AND her/his serving duties cannot be transferred to the second Libero since the ill/injured Libero may return to play later in the match.

 **OVR:** If the “serving Libero” is expelled or DQ’d, can the second Libero take over the serving duties?

No. Similar to current Libero re-designation rules, the expelled/disqualified Libero AND her serving duties are lost.

OVR Libero Cases

 **OVR:** If a team is reduced to no Liberos due to injury or illness, can the re-designated Libero also assume serving duties?

Yes, only in the case when a team is reduced to no Liberos may the re-designated Libero serve. In all cases, when a Libero is replaced by re-designation, the ill/injured Libero(s) may not return to play in the match.

OVR Libero Cases

 **OVR:** The “serving Libero” is on the bench, and the second Libero is on the court. When their team wins the rally and rotates, the second Libero is replaced by the front-row player. Can the “serving Libero” immediately replace the team’s next server?

No. There must be a completed rally before a new Libero replacement is permitted.

 **OVR:** The “serving Libero” is on the court. When the team wins the rally and rotates, can the “serving Libero” immediately replace the team’s next server?

Yes. This is the ONLY exception to the rule that requires a completed rally between replacements.

OVR Libero Cases

 **OVR:** What if the wrong Libero serves in place of the “serving Libero”?

This is treated the same as any other wrong server. Upon contact of the ball, the scorer notifies the referees that the wrong Libero has served. The serve and a point are awarded to the opponent. The Libero (wrong server) can stay on the court for the next rally.