

After receiving a few questions, let's address a few of the Libero rules as we finish out the (indoor) season.

#1 - When a team submits a line-up for ANY set and NO Libero has been listed in the Libero box on the line-up sheet, please confirm with the coach whether or not a Libero will be used by that team for that set. HINT: If no Libero will be used, an "X" can be placed in both Libero boxes for that set.

#2 - When a team submits a line-up for the FIRST set of the match, if two Liberors are listed on the line-up sheet for Set 1, those two players MUST remain Liberors for the entire match. And, NO OTHER players on that team may play as a Libero in that match (unless both of the Liberors are declared unable to play and re-designation becomes necessary.) HINT: When TWO Liberors are designated for the first set, place an "X" in the Libero boxes on the team's line-up sheet for the remaining sets of that match. The team CANNOT change Liberors from set to set when two have been designated at the start of the match.

#3 - When a team is using two Liberors for the match, the Liberors may replace one another without the original player returning to the court. A completed rally must always occur between replacements.

#4 - When one Libero is designated on the line-up sheet for Set 1, ANY OTHER PLAYER may be designated as a Libero in a subsequent set in that match. Or, the team may continue to use the same Libero for the match. In either case, the Libero's number must always be recorded in the Libero box for each set.

#5 - When a team designates NO LIBERO for Set 1, it is LEGAL for the team to designate a Libero in a subsequent set. In other words, just because a team does not start the first set with a Libero, that does NOT mean that they cannot use a Libero in a subsequent set. They CAN use a Libero!

#6 - When the Libero "hand sets" the ball (setting action) from behind the attack line, a teammate may freely attack the ball. It is only a fault for an attack to be completed when the ball is passed (setting action) by the Libero who is IN THE FRONT ZONE.

Hope this helps! We're in the home stretch. Thanks for all your work!

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