

**To:** OHSAA Boys Volleyball Officials  
**From:** Lucas Tuggle, Director of Officiating Development – Boys Volleyball  
**Re:** Plays of the Week – Week 8  
**Date:** Friday, May 3rd, 2024

## **Post-Season Reminders**

### **Officials' Arrival Courtside:**

- Referees: No later than 1 hour before the first serve (scheduled start time).
- Line Judges:* No later than 45 minutes before the first serve (scheduled start time).

**Assignments:** Referees are assigned R1 or R2 and are expected to work their assigned referee roles. LJ positioning in the corners is left to the R1 to determine for each match.

**DragonFly:** Please update your blocks from May 6th thru May 18th. Schedules are fast changing.

**Officials Uniforms:** R1/R2 should match shirt colors. If line judges are certified officials, they should wear matching shirt colors. With a full crew of officials, the best look is referees AND LJs wearing the same color shirt; at minimum, referees match each other, and line judges match each other's shirt color; sleeve length doesn't matter. White remains the default color. The crew is expected to communicate in advance to ensure matching shirts. No shorts.

**Warm-Up Timing:** OHSAA provides 30 minutes of warm-up following the pre-match meeting at which time the horn sounds, and teams may warm up on their respective sides with volleyballs. There is no use of volleyballs by teams anywhere in the facility while not on the court.

Plan to hold the pre-match meeting so warm-up ends with about 5 minutes for announcements before the scheduled start time. This allows for short team huddles, players to their end lines, OHSAA announcements, the National Anthem, player introductions, and checking lineups. Strive to start on time for the first match.

Warm-up clock is set at 30:00 and is started at end of the pre-match meeting which concludes with teams directed to take the court for 12 minutes of shared court with volleyballs. Make sure ball carts are available court-side. Warm-up is 10-2 6-6-3-3 but, since 10-minute and 2-minute segments are both shared court, it makes sense not to interrupt teams with a horn at 20:00 to tell them to continue. After the horn at 30:00, there is a double whistle at 18:15 to advise the receiving team to exit the court and a horn at 18:00 for the serving team to begin its 6 minutes of exclusive court use. The 15-second warning whistle advises the team on the court to stop and gather volleyballs, and the first ball hit over the net by the team taking the court is at the horn.

30:00: Horn sounds. 12 minutes of shared court warm-up.

18:00: Horn. Serving team, 6 minutes of exclusive court.

12:00: Horn. Receiving team, 6 minutes of exclusive court.

6:00: Horn: Serving team, 3 minutes, exclusive court.

3:00: Horn: Receiving team, 3 minutes, exclusive court.

0:00: Horn. Quick huddles are allowed before teams move to end lines for announcements.

**Official Volleyball:** Molten Flistatec V5M5000

**Support Officials:** Scorers, timers, scoreboard operators, and line judges should be trained, experienced adults (no high school students) in all OHSAA post-season/tournament matches. OHSAA Class 1, 2, or 3 permitted Volleyball officials should be used whenever possible. Match officials for the Regional Tournaments will be selected from guidelines established by the Board of Directors and assigned by the Executive Director's office.

**Player Certification:** Names of the 15 players identified as participants must be provided to the Tournament Site Manager before the start of each match, typically no later than arrival courtside. Any 15 eligible players in uniform will be permitted on the playing court or bench for any set. Names/numbers of the 15 players should be provided to the second referee by the coach (NFHS Rule 7-1-a) at the timed pre-match conference. These 15 players may be changed throughout the tournament for each match. Each head coach and the Tournament Site Manager are responsible for ensuring each team has no more than 15 uniformed players. A player who exceeds the 15-player limitation for a given match is considered an ineligible participant. If either team has more than 15 players in uniform, this situation must be corrected immediately. Failure to comply with the regulation at any after notification by the Site Manager shall result in the forfeiture of the match.

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