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What We Will Cover

Overarching Themes

- Campus Recreation Mission
- Customer Service
- Work Ethic/Life After UCI

Tonight's Topics

- Themes
- Becoming a Quality Official
- Game Basics
- Pre-Game Responsibilities
- During Game
  - Positioning
  - Areas of Coverage and Responsibilities
  - Signals
  - Faults/Violations
  - What it Takes to Officiate Effectively
- Points of Emphasis

4 Tenets of Officiating

- Stay in your primary (zone of coverage).
- Call the obvious.
- Officiate the defense.
- Don't guess.

Three C's of Volleyball

- Communication
- Consistency
- Control

Court Setup and Player Alignment

Pre-Game Responsibilities

- Show up 15 minutes prior to the game, ready to work, dressed appropriately (whistles required). Review with net setup, and any other equipment setup.
- Right net and stand on court.
- Introduce yourself to your partner(s) and discuss according to the hold pre-game conference.
- Check all passes. Introduce and check-off those who are present with the ref.
- Control the whistle.
- Take control.
- Integrate the game and small game rules.
- Out of bounds areas, non-touching the net, 2.5 average for playoffs, etc.
- Recitations/Reposition discussion
- Jewelry/Player Equipment requirements
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Mission Statement of UCI Campus Rec: Campus Recreation serves as a vital and integral part of university life by offering diverse sports, recreational and fitness activities, and distinctive facilities and equipment that are fun, vigorous, healthy, and conducive to enhancing personal wellness. Campus Recreation supports the UC mission by seeking to create a climate that motivates individuals to embrace a healthy life-style, which can enhance their academic success, build friendships and social skills, develop leadership qualities, and cultivate a sense of community and Anteater pride.

You never know what someone will take away from his/her experience.
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Professionalism/Behaving Like a Referee

- This is your job, and it ain't easy. Own it.
- Know the situation when wearing different "hats."
- Refereeing is NOT like playing.
- Focus is imperative.
- You MUST know the rules and continue to expose yourself to the game.
Court Setup and Player Alignment
Pre-Game Responsibilities

• Show up 15 minutes prior to first game, ready to work, dressed appropriately (shirts required). Assist with net setup, and any other equipment setup.
  • **Tight** net and antenna setup
  • Introduce yourself to your partner official(s), and discuss upcoming night. **Hold pre-game conference.**

• Check all player IDs individually and check-off those who are present with an ID.

• Captains Meeting
  • Take control
  • Emphasize good sportsmanship and vital game rules
    • Out-of-bounds areas, not touching the net, 2.5 average for playoffs, etc.
  • Substitutions/Rotations discussion
  • Jewelry/Player Equipment reminder
Responsibilities During Game

For the Up Official
- Primary Coverage Zone
- Primary Responsibilities
- Game Management

For the Down Official
- Primary Coverage Zone
- Primary Responsibilities
- Player Management

Faults/Violations
- Ball Down Out
- Must touch boundary line to be deemed "IN"
- Ball Hits Throat, Finger, Lipped
- 4 Hits
- CoRec Housing - 3rd High of same gender
- Player Touches the Net
- illegal Back-Row Attack Block
- illegal Attacking/Pounding/Slap shot inside 10-foot line
- Must be above the horizontal plane of the net
- Illegal Serve
- Centerline Infraction
- Player Receives Under Net to Play Back/Over Opponent
- Intentional Hit - White Ball hits an Opponent's Side of Net
- Ball Hits Antenna
- Player Touches Antenna

During Game
Cont'd

Net-To-Line Reactions
- Help one another to have eyes on where a spiked ball is going
- Maintain responsibilities, but help when needed
- Primary call by the Up Official
- Down must focus on receiver line violations
- Anticipate, but don't assume

Moving With the Play
- DO NOT Walk in front of the Up Official
- Keep ball in view, especially when in zone of net
- Down Official - move into court of attacking team
- DON'T GUESS

Signals

CoRec (Housing)
- Legal front row player can attack/block
- Men can attack from any legal position
- Scare for Boys/Girl separation
- Mental note of each gender touch - if more than one hit, BOTH GENDERS must be involved to play

Blocking and Net Play
- Any legal front row player may block
- Players can reach over or under the net to play the ball
- Players cannot interfere with an opponent's attempt to play the ball
- Players can touch the mid-line with their feet, but cannot be above it
- Players may NEVER touch the net
- ANY net contact is a fault on the offending team, loss of rally and point for opposing team

For the Up Official

- Primary Coverage Zone
- Primary Responsibilities
- Game Management

For the Down Official

- Primary Coverage Zone
- Primary Responsibilities
- Player Management

Faults/Violations

- Ball Down/Out
  - Must touch boundary line to be deemed “IN”
- Ball Held, Thrown, Pushed, Lifted
- 4 Hits
  - CoRec/Housing - 2/3 hits of same gender
- Player Touches the Net
- Illegal Back-row Attack/Block
  - Illegal Attacking/Blocking action from inside 10-foot line
  - Must be above the horizontal plane of the net
- Illegal Serve
- Center-line Infraction
- Player Reaches Under Net To Play Ball/Hits Opponent
- Intentional Hit While Ball is on Opponent’s Side of Net
- Ball Hits Antenna
- Player Touches Antenna

Signals

- Your professionalism and power on the court
- Must learn and know all applicable signals

During Game Cont'd

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- Maintain responsibilities but help when needed
- Primary call by the Up Official
  - Down must focus on net/center line violations
- Anticipate, but don't assume

Moving With the Play
- DO NOT ball watch
- Up Official - maintain center-line and net responsibilities
  - Keep ball in view, especially when in plane of net
- Down Official - move into court of attacking team
- DON'T GUESS
During Game

Blocking and Net Play

• Any legal front row players may block.
• Players can reach over or under the net to play the ball, provided they do not interfere with an opponent’s attempt to play the ball.
  • Ball in vertical plane of net = both teams can play
• Players can touch the mid-line with their feet, but cannot be over it.
• Players may NEVER touch the net.
  • ANY net contact is a fault on the offending team, loss of rally, and point for opposing team.

CoRec (Housing)

- Legal front row player can attack/block
- Men can attack from any legal position
- Scan for Boy/Girl rotation
- Mental note of each gender touch - if more than one hit, BOTH GENDERS must be involved in play
Customer Service Exercise

- We will break off into groups of 2-4 people
- You will be given scenarios to react to
- Do not be afraid to be vulgar and/or offensive
- We will discuss results and thoughts

Scenario #1: You get called for your third reaching over the net call, but the opposing team has not been called for this once.

Scenario #2: You see the opposing team is hitting out of rotation, but both officials have missed it for five points.

Scenario #3 - Your name doesn't appear on the team roster for your first playoff game, but you have checked in for every regular season game.

Scenario #4: A replay is called when your team clearly should receive the point.
Other Elements

Sportsmanship

- Referee and/or other game officials shall be expected to exercise an ideal level of sportsmanship in the conduct of the game.
- The official shall be professional, fair, even-tempered with officials, and be able to control his emotions. The official must not allow his personal feelings to interfere with his proper performance.
- The official is expected to be honest in his actions and to fulfill his responsibilities.
- The official is expected to respect all aspects of the game, including the players, coaches, spectators, and officials.
- The official shall be expected to conduct himself in an exemplary manner on and off the court.

Effective Officiating

- Strong Focus and Confidence
- Rules Knowledge
- Strong Mechanics and Whistle
- Officiate Your Responsibilities
  - You and your partner are a team
  - Controlling Problem Players
  - Know the Level of Play (Rec vs. Very Competitive - Call Selection)
  - Keep the Game Moving

Points of Emphasis

- Rotations
- Net Play
  - Reaching Over
- Lifts/Holds/Throws
- Consistency

Yellow/Red Cards

- Used to penalize unprofessionalism or infractions in the game such as:
  - Flagrant violations of the rules or the Spirit of the Game
  - Inappropriate or unsportsmanlike conduct
  - Disruptions of the game
  - Misconduct leading to ejection

Questions?

Scheduling

- Online: www.sambball.com
- Schedule will be posted on the website

Upcoming Training/Events

- Thursday, October 4 (10:00am) - Regional Qs
- Tuesday, October 12 (7:00pm) - Regional Qs
- Thursday, October 21 (10:00am) - Regional Qs
**Yellow/Red Cards**

- Used to penalize unsporting behavior or physical altercation.
  - **Yellow Card** – issued for first minor offense
    - Cursing directed at ref or opposing team; slamming ball or striking the net in disgust; throwing ball at opposing team
  - **Red Card** – issued for first serious offense, or second minor offense
    - Confrontational verbal abuse; continued cursing; shoving an opponent
    - Loss of rally/point awarded to opposing team
    - Player ejected from remainder of that set—may re-enter at start of new set
  - **Yellow and Red** (simultaneously, held apart) – issued for first flagrant offense, second serious offense, or third minor offense
    - Continued or severe verbal abuse; physically striking an opponent
    - Loss of rally/point awarded to opposing team
    - Player ejected from remainder of game—must leave gym entirely
Points of Emphasis

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Sportsmanship

Following each game, you must rate each team's sportsmanship.

Use the guideline statements to choose the best rating:

• 4 Excellent: Team members and fans were cooperative with officials and were respectful of opponents and officials. The captain has full control of his/her team.
• 3 Above Average (“Normal Game”): Team members and fans were respectful of opponents and officials except for one or two minor incidents.
• 2 Below Average: Team members or fans were disrespectful of opponents or officials on a number of occasions. Captain shows little control over his/her team.
• 1 Poor: Team members or fans constantly comment to opponents and officials and are disrespectful. Team captain shows no control over his/her team.

REMEmber: All teams will start at a 2.5 and have to earn an assigned rating. YOU CANNOT GIVE A 2.5.

All scoresheets will have some description on sportsmanship. If any team receives a “1” or a “2,” you must give a detailed description of exactly what the team did to earn that score.
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Scheduling
• Weekly Schedules will be posted through www.whentowork.com
• Keep your availability up-to-date
• Games played on Mondays and Tuesdays (7:30pm-11:30pm)

Upcoming Training Dates/Meetings
• Thursday, September 29 (7:00pm) - On-Court
• Tuesday, October 4 (7:00pm) - Scrimmages
  • Both at ARC Main Gym Court 3
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