



HOA VOLLEYBALL – NEW OFFICIALS’ ROUNDTABLE

14 JANUARY 2026

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 - Communication With Head Referees
 - Website
 - Parking
 - How to Read The Alpha and Grid Schedule
 - How to Enter Mobile Scores
 - Current Rules and Interpretations

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CONTACT INFORMATION

- Ric Washburn, MLK Head Referee Crew Chief (573-230-8694)
- Eric Worsham, MLK Head Referee/Principal Assigner (816-344-9144)

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CONTACT INFORMATION

First Name	Last Name	CellPhone	Friday Venue
Ric	Washburn	573-230-8694	Admin
Eric	Worsham	816-344-9144	Admin
Vernon	Birmingham	913-633-1441	Bartle Hall
James	Ewart	316-285-8652	Bartle Hall
Brian	Heaton	417-848-4647	Bartle Hall
Ryan	Lacson	417-894-4710	Bartle Hall
Jenny	Morgison	785-393-2431	Bartle Hall
Gregg	Nace	816-868-1013	Bartle Hall
Thomas	Rastok	913-485-3024	Bartle Hall
John	Sutton	785-221-2300	Bartle Hall
Steve	Arnell	913-271-8501	Hy-Vee / Hale
Kenneth	Corum	816-519-4705	Hy-Vee / Hale
Don	Gard	816-905-4674	Hy-Vee / Hale

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COMMUNICATION

- Create a group text with all head officials
- If you have an issue, use this group text to communicate with the crew
 - Identify yourself, what court, who is needed, what is needed
 - Example: Ric Washburn, Ct 8, equipment, floor buckling
 - You will receive a response from one of the head officials acknowledging receipt of the message
 - No further response is needed from the referee

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WEBSITE

All further updates (including the schedules) will be posted to the MLK website
(<https://www.hoavb.org/2026mlk/>)

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PARKING

- Parking Passes
 - Print and leave on your dashboard
 - If you were not able to print one, pick one up at check-in
- Parking Lots
 - Bartle Hall South Dock (entrance at West 16th St across from the Kaufmann Center; NOTE: Wyandotte St is closed at the Loews Hotel)
 - Hy-Vee Arena (1800 Genessee St)
 - Hale Hall (1701 American Royal Ct)

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HOW TO READ THE “ALPHA” SCHEDULE

- The “alpha” schedule lists referees in alphabetical order
- Listed as referee code (last name / first name), followed by the time of the match, the court the match is on, and the position you are assigned to (R1 or R2)
- Example: 8.00a/64/1 = match is at 8am on court 64 and you are the R1

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VTT: 22:13:40 2025-01-17 VTT: 22:13:40 2025-01-17
Official Assignments... for Saturday Jan 18, 2025 Time/Court/1.2.S.A.L
allen,ka , 8.00a/34/1, 9.00a/34/1, 12.00n/36/1, 1.00p/36/1, 4.30p/12/1, 5.30p/12/1 Allen, Kathy
anema,sa , 9.00a/56/1, 10.00a/56/1, 1.00p/19/1, 2.30p/19/1, 4.30p/55/1, 5.30p/55/1, 7.30p/25/1 Anema, Sarah
ayala,fr , 9.00a/1/1, 10.00a/1/1, 1.00p/29/1, 2.30p/29/1, 4.30p/36/1, 5.30p/36/1, 7.30p/43/1 ayala, frank
baker,je , 8.00a/64/1, 11.00a/1/1, 12.00n/1/1, 2.30p/30/1, 3.30p/30/1, 6.30p/6/1, 7.30p/6/1 Baker, Jeffrey
barne,el , 9.00a/54/1, 10.00a/54/1, 1.00p/21/1, 2.30p/21/1, 4.30p/28/1, 5.30p/28/1, 7.30p/49/1 Barnett, Elizabeth
becke,jo , 8.00a/47/1, 9.00a/47/1, 11.00a/49/1, 12.00n/49/1, 2.30p/36/1, 3.30p/36/1, 5.30p/33/1, Becker, John
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HOW TO READ THE “GRID” SCHEDULE

- The “grid” schedule is organized by court
- Listed as court number, match time, match information, referee code (last name / first name)
- Example below: Court 4 at 8am, there is an I8 American match and Nicole Claxton is the RI

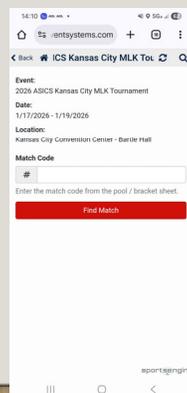
Matches for Saturday Jan 18, 2025										
Time	Court 1	Court 2	Court 3	Court 4	Court 5	Court 6	Court 7	Court 8	Court 9	Court 10
8.00a										
Match	1 8.00a	2 8.00a	3 8.00a	4 8.00a	5 8.00a	6 8.00a	7 8.00a	8 8.00a	9 8.00a	10 8.00a
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HOW TO ENTER MOBILE SCORES

- 1) Go to <https://www.advancedeventsystems.com/scores/mobile/PTAwMDAwNDIyMzE90>



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HOW TO ENTER MOBILE SCORES

2) Enter the mobile score entry password (provided by event staff) and sign in.

www.advancedeventsystems.com

2021 Mizuno Lake Erie Club ...

Authentication Required Please use your mobile entry password below or sign in as an AES official.

Event:
2021 Mizuno Lake Erie Club Power League
Date:
1/23/2021 - 3/13/2021
Location:
Blue Water Sports Center (Michigan Elite)

Mobile Score Entry Password

Enter the mobile entry password provided for the event.

Sign In Cancel

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HOW TO ENTER MOBILE SCORES

3) Enter the match code (found on the scoresheet).

2021 Mizuno Lake Erie Club Power League		Page #109
Monsters 12 Blue (LK) VS. Legacy 11-Elite West (LK)		
Work Team: Legacy 12-Lite West (LK)	Ct: ESP 3	Match #1
Div: 12s	Time: 8:00 AM	Best of 3
Pool/Bracket: R3Feb27PB2	Date: 2/27/21	Code: 52990

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HOW TO ENTER MOBILE SCORES

- 4) VERIFY THE MATCH INFORMATION BEFORE ENTERING A RESULT
- 5) Select an outcome (winner).
- 6) Enter the scores for each set.
- 7) Save.

Match 53071:
T4 - R3Feb27PA1M6

1st Team:
HVVC 14 White (LK)

2nd Team:
LevelUp 14U Select (AK)

Schedule:
Warren 1 at 2/27 1:00 PM

Verify the match details above are correct.

Outcome
LevelUp 14U Select (AK) Won

Select the winning team, enter scores below and save.

Sets	LevelUp 14U Select (AK)	HVVC 14 White (LK)
1	25	18
2	27	25

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CURRENT RULES & INTERPRETATIONS

- 2025-2027 Rules Book - https://usavolleyball.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/2025-2027-USAV-Indoor-Rules-Book_FINAL.pdf
- Current Rulebooks and Interpretations: <https://usavolleyball.org/resources-for-officials/rulebooks-and-interpretations/>

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CURRENT RULES & INTERPRETATIONS

- 2025-2026 Critical Rules and Points of Emphasis
 - *****Ball-handling*****
 - Multiple contacts are allowed on second contact if one action and ball goes to a teammate
 - “Caught or thrown ball” (USAV) vs “prolonged contact” (HS)
 - Judgment on multiple contacts and caught/thrown balls
 - *****Screening*****
 - Players on the serving team may not have their hands above their head during the serve
 - Warn first, then call if necessary

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CURRENT RULES & INTERPRETATIONS

- 2025-2026 Critical Rules and Points of Emphasis
 - *****Substitutions*****
 - 15 team substitutions
 - Whistle and signal for each side
 - Notify coach after 12, 13, 14 and 15; notify RI after 15
 - RI does not repeat

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CURRENT RULES & INTERPRETATIONS

- 2025-2026 Critical Rules and Points of Emphasis
 - *****Libero Differences*****
 - Can designate 0, 1 or 2
 - Can change liberos every set
 - Can be team captain and/or game captain
 - There must be a completed rally between two Libero replacements (different than NCAA/NAIA/NJCAA/NCCAA)
 - Re-designation allowed (depending on situation)
 - Bib permitted for redesignated libero, but number must be visible

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CURRENT RULES & INTERPRETATIONS

- 2025-2026 Critical Rules and Points of Emphasis
 - *****Filming and Recording Matches*****
 - Team members on the bench are permitted to record audio and video for team use
 - Recordings may not be used to intimidate, demoralize, or bully other teams, officials, the work team, support staff, or spectators
 - Teams may not record conversations with referees or the work team
 - Players on the court may not wear microphones

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CURRENT RULES & INTERPRETATIONS

- 2025-2026 Critical Rules and Points of Emphasis
 - *****Uniforms*****
 - Dark-colored jerseys must have a light-colored number
 - Light-colored jerseys must have a dark-colored number
 - If the team is wearing dark-colored jerseys, the Libero must wear a light-colored jersey
 - If the team is wearing light-colored jerseys, the Libero must wear a dark-colored jersey

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CURRENT RULES & INTERPRETATIONS

- 2025-2026 Critical Rules and Points of Emphasis
 - *****Children on the Bench*****
 - USA Volleyball policy allows children under 8 years old to be on the bench
 - A waiver form must be completed for EACH tournament
 - The referee must ask to see the waiver at the beginning of each match and ensure the coach is adhering to policy guidelines
 - The child may sit on the bench, be behind the bench, or be held by the parent
 - The coach may not hold the child or have the child strapped to them while fulfilling their team's work assignment

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CURRENT RULES & INTERPRETATIONS

- 2025-2026 Critical Rules and Points of Emphasis
 - *****Team Warm-Up Area*****
 - Substitutes must remain 1.75 meters from the court, beginning at the endline
 - Substitutes can curl into the playable area, no further than the sideline extended
 - Substitutes may not stand in front of spectator seating
 - *****Updated Mechanic***** When a ball hits the same player on the third and fourth hit - 4 hits

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CURRENT RULES & INTERPRETATIONS

- 2025-2026 Critical Rules and Points of Emphasis
 - *****Time Management*****
 - First match needs to start on time
 - Limit time between matches to no more than 12 minutes
 - Teams should begin returning to the court immediately after the 30s warning whistle during the interval between sets
 - Whistle for serve as soon as server has the ball and is in the service zone
 - Balls should be retrieved quickly by teams

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CURRENT RULES & INTERPRETATIONS

- USAV Rule/Technique Differences: (for a complete list of rule differences, see the [USAV/NFHS/NCAA Comparison sheet: https://usavolleyball.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/2025_RuleComparison_NCAA-NFHS-USAV.pdf](https://usavolleyball.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/2025_RuleComparison_NCAA-NFHS-USAV.pdf))

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CURRENT RULES & INTERPRETATIONS

- USAV Rule/Technique Differences:
 - Jewelry may be worn as long as it's not a safety hazard
 - OK: studs, hair tie on wrist
 - Not OK: long necklaces, large medallions, large hoop piercings
 - Ready signal: two hands up, elbows at 90°, palms forward
 - Warm up
 - Serving team gets court first
 - Off team cannot do ball handling at end, sides, or spectator walkways; shagging for team on court is okay

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CURRENT RULES & INTERPRETATIONS

- USAV Rule/Technique Differences:
 - LJ meeting: LJs probably will change between sets; talk with **all** before match
 - Only RC results in point; no point for YC, Expulsion or DQ
 - Start interval time **BEFORE** deciding set coin toss
 - Illegal attack / Illegal block signals
 - Serving Differences
 - 15-and-older: 8 seconds to serve, no re-serve (toss-and-drop) allowed
 - 14-and-younger: 8 seconds to serve, 1 re-serve allowed per service attempt

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CURRENT RULES & INTERPRETATIONS

- USAV Rule/Technique Differences:
 - Time-out Procedures
 - R2:
 - Point to bench, not center of court
 - No warning whistle
 - Whistle when over, either early or after 30 sec
 - When court is ready, give court back
 - After 2nd TO, show coach/captain and RI TO signal then two fingers
 - Don't show TOs taken at end of TO
 - RI: does not repeat

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CURRENT RULES & INTERPRETATIONS

- USAV Rule/Technique Differences:
 - End of set/match
 - **HOA WILL NOT CHANGE COURTS AT ANY EVENT**
 - LJs do not need to switch corners
 - Protests
 - May only protest rule interpretations, not judgment
 - If the protest committee rules that a judgment has been protested, the protest will be denied and the coach may be issued a red card

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CURRENT RULES & INTERPRETATIONS

- HOA Region Rule Differences (For non-qualifier matches)
 - Refer any questions to the Head Officials for the event
 - **Fan Behavior Rule**
 - First offense: official warns the captain/coach; recorded as a fan behavior (delay) warning
 - Second offense: delay penalty is assessed; fans may be asked to leave the facility
 - Third offense: play is suspended and the team defaults the match
 - For non-qualifier matches, coach must be R2 or scorer of record
 - For 18s qualifier matches, coach must be the R2

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TYPICAL TOURNAMENT PROCEDURES

- **UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD YOU ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THE TOURNAMENT**
 - E.g., “Do we play first in the morning?”, “Do we have to ref next?”, “Do you know who gets a bid?”
 - If someone asks, say you don’t know and refer them to the championship desk / site director

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QUESTIONS?

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