

Electronics Policy

With the rise of cell phone and iPod usage by members of the officiating teams a new policy has been written called the Electronics Policy. The policy is putting into writing what should already be obvious. There are no electronic devices allowed at the score table or on the person of any of the members of the officiating crew when they are working. This includes but is not limited to the following portable electronics devices: iPods, MP3 players, game systems, palm pilots, dvd players and cell phones.

There will be a warning assessed to the team for the first instance. For the second offense the team will lose 3 points to their next opponent. In the event of a third violation the team will forfeit the first set of their next match and the coach will be referred to the Ethics and Compliance Officer.

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Rosters Courtside

Team rosters are now required to be given to the official for each match. The procedure is for the junior coach to hand the roster to the site director to sign off that they did produce a roster at check in and then the site director will give the roster back to the coach. The coach will then produce the roster to the official for each of their matches for the day. The official will make sure that each player on the floor is indeed the player on the roster. This is done by jersey numbers. If the jersey numbers are not correct on the roster, make them write the correct numbers on the roster of each player. Then the official needs to report that the roster numbers were incorrect for the team. The office can then follow up with the team to make sure they are corrected. After the second tournament there should be no issues with jersey numbers. If the player is not on the roster or does not have a USAV number they are not to play.

The coaches are listed on the roster and this is your way to know who belongs on the bench and who does not, who is the head coach, who is the assistant coach and who should not be there at all.

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Ref Crew Meeting

For formats that require shared reffing on one match - This year we are requiring the officiating crews of both teams to attend the Ref Crew Meeting before the first game starts. The orientation should take place before the first game with both teams that will be working the match. The official can instruct both sets of officiating crews then tell the second crew where to be at what point in the match – ie to be at the sideline when one team hits 20 points. This should allow for a smoother transition of officiating crew members and the match should not be delayed.

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