

Les Parisiennes 2016

Sports Rules

Common Rules for the 4 sports

Lateness of a Team

The organization reserves the right to withdraw a team in case of excessive lateness. The validity of the reason of a lateness will be determined by the organization.

Fair-play rule

A fair-play award can make the final decision on their ranking, according to the following scale:

- A yellow card is worth 1 point.
- A red card resulting from two yellow cards is worth 2 points.
- A red card is worth 3 points.

In the event of a final ranking decision by the fair-play award, the team with the less points wins.

The organization reserves the right to exclude a player or responsible for the rest of the tournament for particularly inappropriate behaviour.

Volleyball rules

The rules in force for the tournament 'Les Parisiennes de Sciences Po' are those specified by the French Federation of Volleyball on the 1st of January of the current year, except for the following specific points. The regulation is the same for men's and women's tournaments.

Foul play

The referee can call for a yellow or a red card, as provided by the French Federation of Volleyball's regulation by the 1st of January of the on-going year.

Number of players and Substitutions

In order for a game to start, each team must have 6 players on the field, in their proper outfit and ready to play at the scheduled time of the game. A team which does not fully respect these rules by the time the game starts can be forfeited.

A team can register a maximum of 12 players on one game sheet. The number of substitutions is unlimited during a game. Substitutions must be done in pairs: in order to switch, the replacement player must already be on the court when the replaced player gets off it. A missing player at the beginning of the game, but registered on the game sheet will be allowed to join an on-going game, with the agreement of the referee.

Court and sets

Volleyball games will be held on standard courts (18 meters long - with a net in the middle - and 9 meters wide).

A set is won by the first team to reach 25 points. A point is given to the team who wins the rally. A minimum of two points difference between the two teams is required to win a set. In the event of a draw, a tie-break set of 15 points shall be played.

Warm-ups are 10 minutes long. Two timeouts shall be granted to each team (the captain or the coach shall claim them directly to the referee) in addition to the two technical timeouts provided at 8 points and 16 points. Technical timeouts will be 1-minute long and the two extra timeouts will last 30 seconds.

Games and Ranking

During the pools and playoff games, the game is won in two winning sets with two points difference required in each set. 10 minutes will be given for warm-ups and two timeouts will be granted to each team, in addition to the two technical timeouts provided at 8 and 16 points. Technical timeouts will be 1-minute long and the two extra timeouts will last 30 seconds.

For the final, the game is won in three winning sets with a two points difference required in each set. 2 timeouts will be granted to each team (the captain or the coach shall claim them directly to the referee) in addition to the 2 technical timeouts provided at 8 and 16 points. Technical timeouts will be 1-minute long and the two extra timeouts will last 30 seconds.

- **Pool stage**

All 6 teams participating to the tournament will be assigned a number between 1 and 6. Teams shall then be sorted into two different pools (A & B). The games within these pools shall take place simultaneously, respectively on Field 1 & 2. They shall be held in the following order:

Pool A: Team 1 - Team 3; Team 2 - Team 3; Team 1 - Team 2.

Pool B: Team 4 - Team 6; Team 5 - Team 6; Team 4 - Team 5.

A 2 - 0 victory is worth 3 points for the winning team and none for the losing team. A 2 - 1 victory is worth 2 points for the winning team and 1 point for the losing team. In the event of the forfeit of a team, the team in question will be marked as defeated 2 - 0, and shall be granted no point. 2 points shall go to the other team.

At the end of the pools phase, if two teams have the same number of points, they shall be classified according to the following criteria, in the following order of priority:

1. Specific goal average (result of the game between the two concerned teams)
1. General goal average (difference between points won and points lost)
2. Best offense
3. Fair-play award

4. Decision taken by drawing lots

- **Playoff games**

The playoff games are organized according to the pool table

1st Pool A - 2nd Pool B

1st Pool B - 2nd Pool A

3rd Pool A - 3rd Pool B

The points system is the same as that of the pool stage, with the exception that there is no draw.

In case of a draw at the end of a playoff game, the winner is directly determined by kicks from the penalty mark, according to the « best of five attempts » rule. If a winner cannot be determined at the end of these attempts, the kicks continue according to the « sudden death » rule. The game stops when a team succeeds the score while the other team fails.

The points received during the playoff games are added to those received during the pool stage games. At the end of the playoff games, if two teams or more have the same amount of points, the order will be established according to the following criteria, in order of priority:

1. General goal average (difference between points won and points lost)
2. Specific goal average (result of the game between the two concerned teams)
3. Best offense
4. Fair-play award
5. Decision taken by drawing lots

The two teams with the most points are qualified for the final. The two following teams play for third place. The two teams with the least points play for fifth place.

- **Final, little final and ranking game**

The final phase games will be won in three sets winning with a two points difference required in each set. If both teams win 2 sets, a fifth set of 15 points shall be played.