

# 2012 NORTH COAST SECTION/LES SCHWAB TIRES BOYS' VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS PRESENTED BY FARMERS

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TO: VOLLEYBALL COACHES, PRINCIPALS, ATHLETIC DIRECTORS, OFFICIALS  
ASSOCIATIONS, LEAGUE COMMISSIONERS, and NCS STAFF.  
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## \* \* \* IMPORTANT BOYS' VOLLEYBALL INFORMATION \* \* \*

### FRIDAY, APRIL 6, 2012

Deadline for each **officials' association** to electronically submit Form A, their association's alphabetized list of recommended officials, using the interactive form on the NCS website ([www.cifncs.org/officials/](http://www.cifncs.org/officials/)). NCS will post the list of recommended officials on the volleyball home page so that coaches may complete Form B to submit to the NCS Office.

### MONDAY, APRIL 23, 2012

Deadline for the following items to be submitted:

- TEAM ROSTER submitted via website
- EVALUATION OF OFFICIALS' FORM ([www.cifncs.org/sports/volleyball/](http://www.cifncs.org/sports/volleyball/))

**NOTE:** Two (2) bonus complimentary tickets will be provided to those coaches that comply with the deadline of returning the roster and officials' form in the proper format and according to the instructions:

#### STEPS TO SUBMIT ROSTER:

- Go to the volleyball homepage at [www.cifncs.org/sports/volleyball/](http://www.cifncs.org/sports/volleyball/)
- Click on ROSTER INPUT
- Input ALL information and submit
- Check to ensure that the NCS has received your roster by going to the volleyball home page ([www.cifncs.org/sports/volleyball/](http://www.cifncs.org/sports/volleyball/)) and clicking on "Championship Forms Verification"

### FRIDAY, MAY 11, 2012

Final date for league competition. Deadline for determining league champions.

Final date for submission of automatic/at-large applications to the NCS/Les Schwab Tires Championships (**ALL APPLICATIONS NEED TO BE SUBMITTED VIA THE WEB BY 10:00 PM FOR CONSIDERATION**).

#### STEPS TO SUBMIT AUTOMATIC/AT-LARGE APPLICATION:

- Go to the volleyball homepage at [www.cifncs.org/sports/volleyball/](http://www.cifncs.org/sports/volleyball/)
- Click on AUTOMATIC/AT-LARGE APPLICATION
- Input ALL information and submit
- Email ([bniemi@cifncs.org](mailto:bniemi@cifncs.org)) or fax (925-263-2120) application to host ([www.cifncs.org/sports/volleyball/](http://www.cifncs.org/sports/volleyball/))
- Check to ensure that the NCS has received your forms by going to the volleyball home page ([www.cifncs.org/sports/volleyball/](http://www.cifncs.org/sports/volleyball/)) and clicking on "Championship Forms Verification"



FARMERS

### SATURDAY, MAY 12, 2012

At-Large & Seeding Meeting – COACHES DO NOT ATTEND. The selection and seeding meeting will be conducted as a closed meeting. NCS member schools have authorized the use of one committee comprised of representatives from each NCS Conference. Each committee will be responsible for the selection of the at-large teams and seeding of each tournament. The committees have been selected and committee members are currently monitoring the volleyball competition of NCS member schools. Tournament brackets will be posted on the NCS website as they are developed.

## MATERIALS FOR HOSTING

When brackets are posted Saturday, May 12, 2012, a hosting school representative must pick-up game materials at the NCS Office (12925 Alcosta Blvd., Suite 8, San Ramon) between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. Game materials include the gate bag/packet for the game you are hosting and volleyballs/team certificates for your school/visitor.

All teams must print their team packets using the link on the NCS volleyball homepage; OR a school may pick-up their team packet and souvenirs on Saturday, May 12, 2012 at the NCS Office.

## **NORTH COAST SECTION/LES SCHWAB TIRES BOYS' VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES SCHEDULE – NEW!**

### First Round Matches

Wednesday, May 16, 2012  
7:00 p.m.

SITE - League Champions Host

(or highest seeded team when a league champion is not involved provided their facility meets the minimum site criteria.)

### Second Round Matches

Friday or Saturday, May 18/19, 2012  
7:00 p.m.

SITE - League Champions Host

(or highest seeded team when a league champion is not involved provided their facility meets the minimum site criteria.)

### Semifinals

Wednesday, May 23, 2012  
7:00 p.m.

SITE - League Champions Host

(or highest seeded team when a league champion is not involved provided their facility meets the minimum site criteria.)

### Finals

Friday or Saturday, May 25/26, 2012  
7:00 p.m.

SITE – Highest Seeded Team (the higher seeded team will host provided their facility meets the minimum site criteria)

## DIVISIONS ACCORDING TO ENROLLMENT

See 2012 divisions on the NCS website.

## TOURNAMENT BRACKETING – NEW!

1. The championships will be conducted in three classes based on the October 2010-11 Total Enrollment for grades 9-12.
2. The number of teams in the NCS/Les Schwab Tires Volleyball Championships will be up to 12 teams in Divisions I, II and III.
3. Each class will be a single elimination tournament with league champions receiving automatic entry.
4. All NCS member league champions or supplemental leagues champions will each receive one (1) entry. Any remaining berths in each class shall be filled with at-large teams selected from schools, which are classified in the respective class.

## MINIMUM QUALIFYING RECORD

To be accepted as a participant in the NCS/Les Schwab Tires Volleyball Championships, a team shall have compiled a winning overall record, or a winning record against teams in its own division or class or a winning record in its own league. (*Board of Managers 5/1/06*)

- a. A winning record is defined as a team having won more games than it has lost.
- b. "Teams in its own division" is defined as any team whose grades 9-12 enrollment fall within the school's NCS Volleyball Division.
- c. Games against teams outside of the United States will not be counted in determining the "winning record within a division".
- d. League champions will receive automatic entry into the appropriate division level.

## CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS RIGHT TO COMPETE

Every league championship team, which has met the qualifying standards, has a right to compete in NCS/Les Schwab Tires Championship Series competition. The team designated as the league winner receives the automatic berth in the section championships. **The league determines prior to the season, in writing, how the league winner is determined. If a league has more than one winner, i.e., round-robin winner and playoff winner, the league will determine which winner gets the automatic berth.** For North Coast Section purposes that designee is the league champion.

## PROCESS OF SELECTING AT-LARGE BERTHS

The process of selection of At-Large berths and the seeding of the tournament are outlined in the NCS Sports & General Rulings Handbook, bylaw 510H-516H.

## CRITERIA FOR AT-LARGE SELECTION

The criteria for selection of at-large teams for NCS Championship Series in all appropriate sports shall be a balance between:

- 1) Record overall
  - a. League/Place co-champion
  - b. League Playoff
  - c. Non-league (pre-season/tournament/other)
- 2) Strength of Schedule
  - a. Record against top 6 opponents.
  - b. Record against teams in the same division/classification
- 3) List your most significant victories/defeats
  - a. Record against teams in a higher division/classification
- 4) List your most significant victories
  - a. Head-to-head against teams which have qualified or are being considered.
  - b. Record against common opponents
  - c. Coaches rating

## DEFINITION OF A SCRIMMAGE

When two or more teams from different schools participate in a joint activity related to a given sport, this activity *shall* constitute *either* a game or a scrimmage and *shall* count against the maximum number of games or scrimmages allowed. An activity may only be defined as a scrimmage when items a) through g) are followed.

- a) A scrimmage must be controlled by the coaches. Examples include: unlimited time periods, free substitution, coach may stop play and make individual instruction to players. Time periods, as specified by the appropriate rulebook, shall not be used.
- b) No score will be kept.
- c) A scrimmage must be listed on both (all, if more than two schools are participating) schools' season schedule and identified, in writing, as a scrimmage.
- d) Both coaches must concur in writing, that the activity is a scrimmage (identifying the activity as a scrimmage on the school's schedules shall satisfy this requirement). Under no circumstances will an activity that is conducted as a game be defined as a scrimmage.
- e) If the scrimmage is played against a team that does not belong to the North Coast Section, the opposing school's coach must be informed of the NCS definition of a scrimmage.
- f) Game officials are optional.
- g) Uniforms are optional.  
(Board of Managers 4/30/99)

*Sports and General Rulings Handbook*

*100H Note 8: Teams may add additional scrimmages beyond the maximum amount by reducing the number of games by a corresponding number (e.g. 24 volleyball games and 2 scrimmages are the maximum numbers. A school could have 22 volleyball games and 4 scrimmages, etc.)*

**PENALTY:** A school that violates the "Definition of a Scrimmage" policy must count the event as a game and counts against the number of maximum number of games allowed. If a school exceeds the number of maximum number of games and scrimmages allowed, the school will be ineligible to apply for post-season competition in that sport.

## RALLY SCORING

Rally Scoring shall be used in all NCS Championship Series Event contests.

### **25.100H STATE MODIFICATIONS/ADOPTIONS**

#### **25.101H Rally Scoring**

1. All games shall be played to 25 points and, if necessary, the fifth and deciding game shall be played to 15 points.
2. All games shall be played to 25 points with the deciding game played to 15 points.  
(CIF Federated Council 5/9/03)

## USE OF LIBERO

NCS/CIF member schools may use the Libero position during the 2011-2012 school year. The Libero is a defensive specialist and may not play the front row or complete an attack from anywhere on the court if the ball is completely above the height of the net. A teammate cannot complete an attack from above the height of the net if the Libero used fingertips to pass (set) the ball from in the attack zone. Any time the Libero enters the court or leaves the court it is call a "Libero Replacement." This does not affect a team's 18 substitutions. Tracking is mandatory by the home team. A tracking form is available at the State CIF web site – [www.cifstate.org](http://www.cifstate.org). NCS staff will also post a tracking form on the NCS Volleyball Home Page site, if possible. Vests may be used to designate the Libero position using the same uniform number. Questions regarding this new position should be directed to the officials' association that services your school.

## **DEFINITION OF A MATCH**

In non-league and league varsity competition volleyball matches a match is defined as when a team has won 3 games out of 5. The fourth or fifth game shall not be played unless it is necessary to determine the winner of the match. Rally scoring as defined above must be used. The fifth game must be played to 15. NOTE: In invitational tournaments, schools must use rally scoring to 25. Matches must consist of either 2 of 3 or 3 of 5 games. Pool play must be played with rally scoring to 25, although the matches do not have to consist of 2 of 3 or 3 of 5 games. For sub-varsity competition rally scoring must be used. Matches may consist of either 2 of 3 or 3 of 5 games with the final game played to 15.

## **SEEDING**

The respective Seeding Committee shall be responsible for the pairing and seeding of the NCS/Les Schwab Tires Volleyball Championship Series Events per the format as adopted by the Board of Managers.

## **REVIEW OF SEEDING**

The Commissioner or his representative will review the Seeding Committee's assignment of teams to NCS/Les Schwab Tires Championship Series sites, with the authority to refer the assignments back to the respective seeding committee for adjustment to comply with NCS guidelines and/or prudent practices.

## **SITE SELECTION**

1. League Champions will have the first option to host first, second and semifinal games provided the league champion is able to comply with the facility, personnel and sponsorship criteria stated on the Application to Host form. If two league champions are competing, the higher seeded team will have the first option to host. If two non-league champions are competing, the higher seed will have the first option to host.
2. In the second or semifinal round if neither team is a league champion or if neither team is seeded, then the team which defeated the highest seeded team will have the first option to host.
3. Final championship contests will be played at the site of the higher seeded team provided the higher seeded team's facility complies with the minimum facility requirements. If the higher seeded cannot provide a site then the lower seeded team will be allowed to host provided their facility meets the minimum facility requirements. Staff will be allowed to adjust "sites" and site criteria for the maximum benefit of the respective tournament and to address the lack of appropriate facilities in the areas of the competing school(s).

## **HOSTING FIRST, SEMIFINAL AND FINAL ROUND GAMES**

a. League champions will have the first option to host 1st, Quarterfinal and Semifinal round games provided the league champion's facility meets the minimum NCS host site criteria. In the championship contest the higher seeded team will host provided their facility meets the minimum NCS host site criteria.

1. The playing court must meet all minimum standards as described in the National Federation rulebook for the respective sport.
2. Minimum seating capacity of  
Boys Volleyball: Div. I, II, III, 200.
3. Adequate, safe and lighted parking for spectators within a reasonable distance of the facility
4. Adequate rest room facilities for spectators
5. Public address system
6. Easily accessible telephone in case of emergency
7. Capable of securing the facility for the purpose of collecting admission
8. Provide rest room and dressing facilities for the home and visiting teams use before, at halftime and after the game in the sports of football, basketball and volleyball.
9. Provide the required site personnel
10. Pay the site personnel in accordance with the NCS fee schedule
11. Display NCS sponsorship banners unless the school has an exclusive agreement with a competing sponsor.
12. Make the required NCS public address announcements
13. Sites must conform to the American Disabilities Act.
14. Site costs must be within the costs allowed by NCS for the respective activity.  
Note: Additional costs shall be the responsibility of the host school.
15. Staff will be allowed to adjust "sites", when circumstances warrant, for the maximum benefit of the respective tournament.

## **GAME ADMINISTRATION**

1. Warm-up period - One hour prior to the match time, the court surface is open for warm-ups. Players may be on the playing surface to stretch, run or pass during this time. Use of the net will begin during the official 20-minute pre-match warm-up time. The 20-minute warm-up period shall be divided as follows:
  - (a) first nine minutes; the serving team shall have the entire court
  - (b) second nine minutes; the team receiving the choice of side shall have the entire court
  - (c) remaining two minutes; common usage of the court by both teams.
2. Score Keepers and Lines persons
  - (a) A competing team may designate a scorer to sit with the official scorer.
  - (b) Paid Lines persons shall be assigned by the NCS Volleyball Official's Assigner
3. Rally Scoring shall be used in all NCS/Les Schwab Tires Championship Series Event contests.

## **ADMINISTRATOR-IN-CHARGE**

Each school, which is participating in a NCS team championship series, (football, volleyball, water polo, basketball, soccer, baseball, softball) must have an administrative level representative or designee, in addition to the team coach, in attendance before, during, and after the event each time that the school competes. The school's principal must indicate in writing the name of the person (certificated faculty member or certified coach under Title V for public schools, contracted faculty/approved coaching staff members for private schools) provided the person is not coaching (neither the head coach or an assistant coach) who is the Administrator-in-Charge (responsible for crowd control, student behavior, and injury care) whenever that school's team is participating in the respective NCS event. This letter shall be presented to the Site Director when the person reports to the Site Director as instructed at the orientation meeting.

Note: The Administrator-in-Charge Registration form may be signed by any school administrator (vice principal and assistant principal) and/or the school athletic director. (*Board of Managers 1/23/98*)

## **ENTRY FEES**

The NCS Office will bill each league/conference Commissioner (\$85.00 entry fee for each team which participates) for the teams from the respective league/conference.

## **AWARDS**

First and Second Place Teams

- 1) Up to 15 members of the first and second place teams in each classification will receive individual medals.
- 2) A plaque will be presented to the first place team in each classification.
- 3) Pennants will be presented to the first and second place teams.

## **OFFICIAL GAME BALL**

The Spalding TF4000 or 5000 Gold NCAA volleyball is the official ball for the NCS/Les Schwab Tires Volleyball Championships and must be used in all Championship Series games.

## **TICKETS**

Admission Fees per game: General: \$9.00 (Adult); Special: \$6.00 (Student/Child/Senior)

## **PASSES**

Only NCS Board of Managers, Superintendents, Management Committee, Honor Coaches, NCS Media and Photo passes, NCS and CIF Lifetime Pass (metal) and CIF Courtesy Card will be honored at the gate. NO league passes will be recognized

## **SOUVENIRS**

Schools may purchase NCS volleyball apparel at the NCS office or online at [www.cifnocs.org](http://www.cifnocs.org). Coaches may use check, cash, credit card, school purchase order, requisition form and school billing to purchase souvenirs. See the souvenir order form in the back of this packet for more information.

## **TEAM TRANSPORTATION**

There is no travel allowance for volleyball teams.

## **VIDEOTAPING**

Schools participating in NCS, CIF Championship Series Events may video-tape their game(s). Video-taping by a school is a "teaching tool" for the school and cannot be lent out to anyone including the media without first securing the permission of the North Coast Section Commissioner. Play back of the video-tape is not permissible during the game or at half-time.

**NCS Order Form  
VOLLEYBALL**

(Payment must accompany all orders)

**DEADLINE TO ORDER: MAY 25, 2012  
THERE IS NO DEADLINE FOR ORDERING PATCHES**

Description	Sizes					Unit Price	Unit Total	Shipping	Shipping Total	TOTAL
	S	M	L	XL	XXL(add \$2.00)					
T-Shirt						\$17.00		\$3.50each		
Sweatshirt (Hooded)						\$33.00		\$4.80 each		
Long Sleeve T-Shirt						\$20.00		\$3.50each		
<b>NEW</b> Cinch Sack						\$10.00		\$1.50 each		
Patch, Sport (sport/year: _____ )						\$17.00		\$1.50each		
Patch, Scholar (sport/year: _____ )						\$17.00		\$1.50each		
Patch, Scholastic (sport/year: _____ )						\$17.00		\$1.50each		
NCS Hat (circle color: Black, Navy, Tan, Grey, Red)						\$17.00		\$1.50each		
NCS Visor (circle color: Black, Navy, Grey, Red)						\$13.00		\$1.50each		
Program (sport: _____ ) (not available in Tennis, Golf, Badminton)						\$3.00		\$1.50each		
NCS Blanket						\$28.00		\$3.50each		
Polar Tec Vest (circle color: Black, Grey)						\$48.00		\$3.50each		
Polo Shirts (circle color: Tan, Navy, Black, Green)						\$28.00		\$3.50each		
Windshirts (circle color: Tan, Navy, Black, Green)						\$48.00		\$3.50each		
									Tax (INCLUDED)	
									TOTAL	

**Merchandise subject to availability. All prices subject to change without notice.  
\*Shipping and Handling charges on TEAM orders shall not exceed actual shipping charges plus 1.5%.**

*When filling out credit card orders please complete all of the following. Credit Cards will be processed the day the merchandise is shipped.*

Method of Payment (circle one)	Name on card	Expiration Date	Card Number	Zip Code
Cash, Check, VISA, MASTERCARD, DISCOVER				

Home phone	Date	Authorized Signature if using P.O. or school requisition

<b>Receipt:</b>
Name:
Payment method:
Sport/location:
Sales person:
Date:



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