



Provided by JVC Tournaments

The NIKE Boston Volleyball Festival running February 24-26, 2023, and March 3-5, 2023 will be played at the Boston Convention and Exhibition Center!

# In cooperation with BCEC Security, to enhance your safety & experience, all attendees will be subject to security screenings and bag checks at all entry points.

All information regarding directions, parking prices, & transportation services for this event can be found on our <u>Directions & Parking</u> page.

This document contains all important information pertaining to:

- Match Length
- Seeding
- Format Details
- Tie Breakers
- Awards
- Officials
- Protests
- Athletic Trainers

If you have any further questions regarding the NIKE Boston Volleyball Festival, please email our Tournament Director, AJ Joseph, at <u>josephaj1@aol.com</u>.

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## Match Length

All matches will be best of 3 games to 25 with the deciding game, if necessary, to 15. An exception would be a 3-team pool without crossovers that will play 3 sets to 25, which is the equivalent of three best of 3 matches. There is no cap on any set!

## \*\*TEAMS MISSING ANY OFFICIATING ASSIGNMENT WILL BE PENALIZED ONE POINT PER MINUTE LATE, UP TO 25 POINTS, ON THEIR NEXT MATCH.

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## Seeding

Seeding for the Girls 18 Open division will be done by USA Volleyball! For all other divisions, seeding is based on teams' tournament finishes at the larger Jan and Feb events in the Northeastern US along with Regional and National Rankings.

We will also solicit recommendations and additional information directly from Club Directors for teams from outside of the Northeast for some divisions, especially in the Open divisions.

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## Format Details

Flowcharts will be posted on <u>www.Sportwrench.com</u> once the event goes live. All divisions will play all 3 days this year!

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## **Tie Breakers**

There will **NOT** be any tie-breaking games played in this event **EXCEPT** for the **18 Open/USA/Liberty/American** divisions. For those divisions, the USAV National Qualifier tie-breaking rules apply!

For all other divisions, in the case of a tie, the teams will be ranked by head-to-head results in case of a 2-way tie in matches or, in the case of 3 or more teams tied in matches: set percentage.

If two teams are still tied on set percentage, the tie will be broken by the head-to-head result of their match, **OR** if three or more teams are still tied the tie will be broken by point percentage. Note that the 3 or more teams tied procedure is slightly different than previous years based on the updated procedures used at the USAV Junior National Qualifiers and National Championship events!

#### Awards

Individual medals will be awarded for 1st-3rd in the Gold Bracket and 1st place in the Silver and Bronze brackets for each division.

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#### Officials

<u>CLICK HERE</u> for officials' information regarding the NIKE Boston Volleyball Festival and other JVC events!

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#### Protests

If a protest is to be filed, it **must be done at the time of the incident, NO LATER!** The first referee is obligated to acknowledge and record all protests. **ONLY THE FLOOR CAPTAIN MAY FILE PROTESTS.** The exception to this rule applies to the 14U and younger divisions, where the acting team coach may act.

The Protest Committee will handle all protests and their decision is binding. A Protest Committee will consist of any two of the following:

- Tournament Director
- Assistant Tournament Director
- Head Official
- NERVA Region of USA Volleyball Board Member
- National Official or a non-involved Club Director.

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#### **Facility Rules**

In cooperation with BCEC Security, to enhance your safety & experience, all attendees and event participants will be subject to <u>security screenings and bag</u> <u>checks</u> at all entry points.

Due to incidents in previous years, there will be a **NO TOLERANCE policy** for misbehavior by players/teams and spectators in the venues...

- Ball Handling is NOT allowed outside of the playing facilities.
- Coolers and outside food and drink are NOT ALLOWED in ANY of the facilities.
- Only water and sports drinks may be brought inside the facility.
- In order to comply with the fire marshal, OUTSIDE CHAIRS ARE NOT ALLOWED IN THE VENUE.

Violation of these policies or any other general misbehaviors may result in **IMMEDIATE** dismissal from the facility for the remainder of the day/tournament!

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## Athletic Trainers

There will be athletic trainers available to tape and assist with minor injuries at the Convention Center. Athletes must provide tape and pre-wrap for any pre-existing needs. Tape and pre-wrap are only provided by the tournament for emergencies.

Tournament Guide last updated on 08/17/22.