

Rosters:

- 1. All participants shall be of at least 18 years of age and have signed the GT social sports waiver
- 2. This is a co-ed league and as such there are gendered requirements while playing. W/M and Open leagues are not subject to any gender requirements.
- 3. There shall be a maximum number of guys on the court on any given play
 - a. example: grass 4s no more than 2 dudes

Player Conduct:

- 1. Disputed calls are handled by the team captains only. Once the team captains have reached an agreement that ruling is final and play shall continue
- 2. Grand Traverse Social Sports is a recreational league. Rule #1 is "don't be a jerk!" If you have to ask if you're the jerk in any given situation, you probably are
- 3. No fighting of any kind is permitted or tolerated and will result in penalty from GTSS up and including expulsion from our leagues

Playing the Game:

- 1. A game is 3 sets; 2 sets to 21 and 1 set to either 21 or 15 pending time
 - a. Teams will play all three sets for standings
- 2. Teams must win by 2 points. There is a 26 point cap on each set
- 3. If a team scores 5 consecutive points the defending team may take a rotation and players rotation as though they regained serving possession
- 4. Each set counts towards overall league standings
- 5. Maximum of 3 hits per side
- 6. Points are made on every serve for the winning team of the rally
- 7. Players may not hit the ball twice in succession. (A block is not considered a hit)
- 8. Ball may be played off the net during a volley and on a serve
- 9. A ball is considered in if it hits a boundary line
- 10. Any ball that hits an antennae, the floor (or ground) completely outside the court, the net/cable/rope outside the antennae, any referee stand or pole, or the ceiling (when indoors) above a non playable area shall be considered out
- 11. A ball is playable if your team hit it last it hits the ceiling and falls to your side of the court AND it was not 3rd hit
- 12. It is legal to contact the ball with any part of a player's body

- 13. It is illegal to catch, hold or throw the ball
- 14. A player cannot block or attack a serve from on or outside the 10-foot line (if there is one)
- 15. After the serve, players may switch positions

Scoring Violations:

Things that result in a point for the opponent

- 1. When serving, the player steps on or across the service line as while making contact with the ball
- 2. Failure to serve the ball over the net successfully
- 3. Ball-handling errors. Contacting the ball illegally (double touching, lifting, carrying, throwing, etc.)
- 4. Touching the net with any part of the body while the ball is in play
- 5. When blocking a ball coming from the opponent's court, it's illegal to contact the ball when reaching over the net if both your opponent has not used 3 contacts AND they have a player there to make a play on the ball
- 6. When attacking a ball coming from the opponent's court, contacting the ball when reaching over the net is a violation if the ball has not yet broken the vertical plane of the net
- 7. Crossing the center line with any part of your body is a violation. Exception: if it is the hand or foot. In this case, the entire hand or entire foot must cross for it to be a violation
- 8. Serving out of rotation/order
- 9. (INDOOR VOLLEYBALL ONLY) Back-row player blocking (deflecting a ball coming from the opponent) when, at the moment of contact, the back-row player is near the net and has part of his/her body above the top of the net. This is an illegal block
- 10. (INDOOR VOLLEYBALL ONLY) Back-row players attacking a ball inside the front zone (the area inside the 3M/10-foot line) when, at the moment of contact, the ball is completely above the net. This is an illegal attack

Special Note:

1. League representatives reserve the right to adjust any rules should the need arise. Any such adjustments will then be applied to the next scheduled game.