

Charleston January Jam

Rules & Format Reminders

Schedule

Play on Saturday will be divided into AM and PM waves. Each team will play in one of the two waves on Saturday. It is the team's responsibility to check and know all playing and officiating duties. Schedules can be accessed via AES on any computer or via the smartphone app. All teams will advance to playoffs on Sunday.

Computers will be available near the championship desk to check results and schedules.

PLEASE check your schedules carefully – there are a few teams that may have officiating duties outside of their pool and/or have a pool that starts slightly earlier than others in their age division. If you have any questions, confirm with the championship desk before leaving the playing facility. On Sunday, teams who lose typically have to officiate the next match on their court. DO NOT leave the facility without verifying your responsibility.

Formats

- All matches will be played best 2 out of 3 and score will start at zero.
- Matches during pool play will have a 2-point cap.
- Challenge matches and playoff matches on Sunday will NOT have a cap.
- Warmups will be 2-4-4
- 3 team pools on Saturday will play 3 sets to 25, regardless of the winner of the first 2 sets.

General Rules & Penalties

- Teams who arrive after the scheduled match time or who fail to report for their playing or officiating duty will forfeit their first set of their next match by a score of 0-25 and will incur a fine. The club will also be fined \$50 per incident. Playing and officiating teams are asked to report to their court approximately 30 minutes before scheduled match time in case the previous match ends early.
- All scoresheets must be correct and completed in full. A 5-point penalty can be charged to the working team on their next match for improper or incomplete scoresheets.
- Coaches are required to stay at the score table when their team has work duty. Only the players working the match are to be seated at the table. NO phones, music players, or other electronic devices at the score table. Violation of this rule will result in a 5-point penalty to the working team for their next match.
- The Palmetto Region has a No Tolerance Policy on screaming, yelling, or making any derogatory remarks to ANY official (R1, R2, Scorer, or Line Judges). Keep in mind, they are human, and many times they are kids. Penalty is immediate dismissal from the playing site, no warning. Region teams may face sanction to participate in future tournaments. Coaches' improper behavior can lead to sanctions from the region for coach and/or team.

Tie Breaking Procedures

- In the event of a two-way tie in pool play, placement will be determined by the teams' head-to-head results.
- In the event of a three-way tie in pool play, tiebreaker match(es) will only be played if one or more of the teams has the opportunity to advance to the gold bracket.
 - Tiebreaker matches will be one set to 25 points, switch sides at 13, no cap.
 - Teams will be seeded in order of the following:
 1. Match record
 2. Set record
 3. Net points
 - If two teams can advance to gold, the #1 seeded team will automatically advance, and the #2 and #3 seeded teams will play each other, with team #1 reffing.
 - If only one team can advance to gold, the #2 and #3 seeded teams will play each other first, with team #1 reffing. The winner of that match will play the #1 seeded team, the loser of match 1 will ref match 2.
- In the event of a tie or potential tie, all teams should remain in the facility until it is determined if playoff matches are necessary. If you are unsure if there will be a tie in your pool, check with the championship desk before leaving the facility.

Rosters

Each team must bring 3 printed rosters from Webpoint. One will be turned in at team check-in. You will also be required to present rosters to the officials on your court each day. Rosters must be correct and only people shown on the roster can participate, including coaches and parents. Write-ins are not acceptable without written approval from Jimmy Peden. AES rosters are not accepted for Palmetto Region teams. Out of region teams who do not use webpoint can check-in with AES rosters.

Athletic Trainer

An athletic trainer will be available on-site throughout the tournament to provide pre-game taping and injury care. Ice will be available for post-game care and injury treatment.

Food & Seating

Food, tables, and coolers are NOT allowed in the facility. Food tables are NOT allowed to be setup anywhere inside the convention center or lobby. Players may bring in water bottles in their backpacks. Portable sport chairs are NOT allowed due to space limitations. Seating will be provided around each court.

Tournament T-Shirts

Tournament t-shirt pickup for those who submitted an online pre-order will be available at the GIMMEDAT booth on Saturday morning.

Wristbands/Tickets

All rostered coaches and adults will receive a wristband for entry at team check-in (limit of 5 per team). Players do not need wristbands. Any pre-ordered tickets will be placed in the team packet for pickup at team check-in.

Entry tickets will be available for sale Friday night from 6-8:30pm and all day Saturday and Sunday at the Convention Center. Prices are:

- Weekend adult - \$15
- Weekend child (6-18) - \$10
- Children 5 and under are free
- Single Day adult - \$10
- Single Day child - \$7