

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 smartphone. All teams will advance to playoffs on Sunday. 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.
- Sunday's challenge matches and playoff matches will NOT have a cap.
- Warmups will be 2-4-4

Locations

- North Charleston Area Convention Center (NCACC)– Cts #1-12
5000 Coliseum Dr, North Charleston, SC 29418
Parking charge: \$10/day
- North Charleston Athletic Center (NC Athletic Center) – Cts #13-16
5794 Casper Padgett Way, North Charleston, SC 29406
No parking charge

General Rules & Penalties

- Teams who arrive after the scheduled match time or who fail to report for their playing duty will forfeit their first set of the match by a score of 0-25. If the team does not arrive within 10 minutes, the second set will be forfeited by a score of 0-25. The club will also be fined \$50 per incident. Officiating teams that are late or fail to report for their officiating duty will forfeit the first set of their next match by a score of 0-25. 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.
- A rostered, certified adult is required to be 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 2 printed rosters from SportsEngine. You will be asked 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. Out of region teams who do not use SportsEngine can use AES rosters.

Athletic Trainer

An athletic trainer will be available at the Convention Center throughout the tournament to provide pre-game taping and injury care. Ice will be available for post-game care and injury treatment. Players at the North Charleston Sports Center should seek treatment at the convention center if needed, or visit the nearby urgent care for more serious injuries.

Food & Seating

Food, tables, and coolers are NOT allowed in the facilities. Food tables are NOT allowed to be setup anywhere inside the gyms or lobbies. 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. Concessions are available for sale at both facilities.

Tournament T-Shirts

Tournament t-shirts will be available for sale at the Imagination Athletics booth in the convention center all day Saturday and Sunday. They may sell out, we suggest purchasing early.

Wristbands/Tickets

All rostered coaches and adults will receive a wristband for entry (limit of 5 per team). These may be picked up Friday night or Saturday prior to the start of your wave. Players do not need wristbands. Pre-ordered tickets will be available for pickup at the times listed below. Payment in full by check or cash must be made for pre-ordered tickets at team check-in. **All pre-ordered ticket and rostered coach wristband pickup will take place at the Convention Center.**

Friday, January 7, 6-8pm

Saturday, January 8, 7-10am; 12:30-3:30pm

Spectator tickets will be available for sale Friday night at the convention center and all day Saturday and Sunday at both locations.