



Frequently Asked Questions on Uniforms and Contest Delays Men's Volleyball – 2020-21

(This document includes specific NCAA Men's Volleyball Rules references where applicable.)

1. What words, logos and symbols are allowed on the uniform?

Other than the uniform number, the following are permitted on the team uniform (USAV Rule 4-3):

Logos permitted on the uniform

- Memorial
- Manufacturer's Logo

2. What size restrictions are there for these?

Any of these items on the uniform may not cover an area larger than 2 ¼ square inches (USAV Rule 4-3-5).

3. May the uniform contain any other words, slogans, messaging, etc.?

The rules do not specifically address any other words, slogans or messaging.

4. Are words allowed on wristbands and other attachments?

The rules do not specifically address the use of wristbands or other attachments, however, no visible jewelry is permitted during play (Rule Modification 4).

5. What about messaging for causes, organizations, etc.?

The rules do not specifically address words or symbols that reference charitable causes, social media, religious or club affiliation, etc.

6. How does the unsportsmanlike acts rule apply?

The USA Volleyball rules address sportsmanlike conduct and minor acts of misconduct in Chapter 7, Rules 20 and 21. Student-athletes on the court and in the bench area must conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner during all men's volleyball competition and officials are to enforce the UVAV-Indoor Rules Book, and the NCAA Rules Modifications, as written.

7. What are the rules about uniform colors for opposing teams?

The rules do not speak to the uniform color of the opposing teams.

9. What are the rules about the contrast of uniforms and numbers?

The color and brightness of the numbers must contrast with the color and brightness of the jersey (USAV Rule 4-3-3-1). The color of the number must clearly contrast with the color of the jersey irrespective of any border around the number (4-3-3-1-d). The Libero must wear a uniform which has different dominant color from the rest of the team. The Libero uniform must be numbered like the rest of the team (Rules Modification 14).

10. What is the purpose of the rules regarding numbering and visibility?

The legality of a team's uniform(s) is not grounds for a protest by their opponent. The determination of a team's uniform legality is the responsibility of the match referee(s), head referee(s) and/or tournament staff (USAV Rule 4-3).

11. What is the rule regarding refusal to play?

If a team refuses to play after being summoned to do so, it is declared in default and forfeits the match with the result 0-2 for the match and 0-25 for each set (USAV Rule 6-4-2).

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