



The following rule changes will take effect in all Volleyball Ireland Association League Games and Cup Competitions with effect from start of 2013/2014 season. All changes will be discussed in detail at pre-season Referee Seminars (planned to be held in various location – September 2013).

Whilst reading this document please refer to the latest revision of the FIVB rules: [http://www.fivb.org/EN/Refereeing-Rules/documents/FIVB-Volleyball\\_Rules2013-EN\\_V08\\_20130516.pdf](http://www.fivb.org/EN/Refereeing-Rules/documents/FIVB-Volleyball_Rules2013-EN_V08_20130516.pdf)

**Sanctions (FIVB rules - chapter 21)**

The new system is that yellow card is NOT resulting in penalty point, however only ONE yellow card per team per match for misconduct and thereafter it is a red card (penalty point for opposition). **It is not possible to show two yellow cards in the same match to the same team.**

- 1) First minor misconduct results in a verbal warning with no card
- 2) Second minor misconduct results in a yellow card which is a warning (but no penalty) to an individual player and by extension is a warning to whole team
- 3) Any further minor misconduct by any player on the team is sanctioned by a Red Card and which results in a penalty point

Misconduct	Sanction	Additional information
Warning	<u>Stage 1</u> : verbal warning	Escalation path - stage 2
	<u>Stage 2</u> : symbol Yellow card	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Only ONE per team</li> <li>• NO penalty point for opponent</li> </ul>
Penalty	Red card	Penalty point for opponent
Expulsion	Red + Yellow cards <u>jointly</u>	NO penalty point for opponent
Disqualification	Red + Yellow card <u>separately</u>	NO penalty point for opponent

**Players Jersey number (FIVB rule 4.3.3)**

Players jerseys must be numbered from 1 to 20  
*In previous seasons numbers were 1 to 18*

**Screening (FIVB rules 12.5.1 and 12.5.2)**

The FIVB Guidelines now says that BOTH criteria need to be satisfied for player actions/positions to be judged as a screen. To call a screening fault serving team must prevent opponents from:

Seeing the server (*not a fault on it's own*)

**AND**

Seeing flight path of the ball (*not a fault on it's own*)

### Two Libero Players (FIVB - rule 19.1.1)

Teams have option of designating TWO Libero players regardless of the size of the team panel (e.g. if a team has only 8 players and wants to designate 2 Libero it is allowed).

*In previous seasons team was allowed to use two Libero players only when having full team (12 players)*

### Libero Re-designation (FIVB rules - chapter 19.4)

- 1) Having Libero player is optional
- 2) One Libero per team may be on court any time
- 3) Only back row players may be replaced
- 4) One completed rally between two Libero replacements (it is possible to interchange or use two designated liberos in each set)
- 5) Teams using one Libero have right to re-designate new Libero if the player is Injured\*, Expelled or Disqualified
- 6) Teams using two Libero can not re-designate new Libero unless BOTH players are unable to play (see table)

Libero 1 (first action)	Libero 2 (second action)	Right for libero re-designation	Remarks (if the team took the right for the Libero re-designation)
Injured/ Expelled/ Disqualified	N/A – fit to play	NO	Team has one Libero to continue
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Injured *	Injured *	Yes	Re-designation only allowed after Libero 2 has been injured (team has only one Libero to continue).
Expelled	Injured *	Yes	From the beginning of the next set, the team has again two (2) Liberos (expelled Libero returns).
Disqualified	Injured *	Yes	Team has only one Libero to continue.
Injured *	Expelled	Yes	Libero 2 has no right to return to the match, because he has to be re-designated (not Libero 1; team has only one Libero to continue).
Expelled	Expelled	Yes	Libero 2 has no right to return to the match, but Libero 1 returns in the next set, so the team has again 2 Liberos.
Disqualified	Expelled	Yes	Libero 2 has no right to return to the match (team has only one Libero to continue).
Injured *	Disqualified	Yes	Team has only one Libero to continue.
Expelled	Disqualified	Yes	From the beginning of the next set, the team has again two (2) Liberos (expelled Libero returns).
Disqualified	Disqualified	Yes	Team has only one Libero to continue.

\* - injured (or declared injured) player can not play anymore!!!

### **IMPORTANT NOTE!!!**

*Other changes e.g. rule 9.2.4 (service reception/interpretation of the first touch) are NOT being implemented as they are pending further analysis by the FIVB*