



NFHS VOLLEYBALL JERSEY RULES **(April 2016)**

RULE 4-2-1:

ART. 1...All teammates, with the exception of the libero whose uniform shall meet the requirements of 4-2-2, shall wear a like-colored uniform top and bottom, one or two pieces:

- a. Like-colored uniform top:
 1. Bare-midriff tops are not allowed.
 2. The uniform top must hang below or be tucked into the waistband of the uniform bottom when the player is standing upright.
 3. Any visible garment (t-shirt, body suits and other similar garments) worn underneath the uniform top shall be unadorned and of a single, solid color that is similar in color to the predominant color of the uniform top.
- b. Like-colored uniform bottom:
 1. Multiple styles of uniform bottoms may be worn by teammates and may include: shorts spandex, pants or skirts.
 2. A visible undergarment may be worn under the uniform bottom. It must be unadorned and of a single, solid color similar to the predominant color of the uniform bottom and may extend below the uniform bottom.
- c. Uniforms must be worn as the manufacturer intended.
- d. Uniforms must be free of hard and unyielding items (buttons, zippers, snaps, fasteners, etc.).
- e. A single, visible manufacturer's logo and/or single school name or insignia no more than 2 ¼ inches are permitted on each visible undergarment.
- f. A single, partial/whole manufacturer's logo/trademark/reference, no more than 2 ¼ square inches with no dimension more than 2 ¼ inches, is permitted on each piece of the uniform provided placement does not interfere with the visibility of the player's number.
- g. One American flag, not to exceed 2 inches by 3 inches, may be worn or occupy space on each item of uniform apparel. By state association adoption, to allow for special occasions, commemorative or memorial patches, not to exceed 4 square inches, may be worn on the uniform without compromising its integrity.

ART. 2...The libero shall wear a uniform top that is immediately recognized from all angles as being a clear contrast to and distinct from the other members of the team.

The libero and/or his/her teammates shall wear a solid-colored uniform top. Regarding the solid-colored top:

- a. The solid-colored uniform top shall clearly contrast from the predominant color(s) of the teammates' uniform top. Predominant color(s) is the color(s) appearing on approximately half of the uniform, including the sleeves.

- b. Sleeves shall be the same color as the body of the uniform top.
- c. Piping/trim not exceeding 1 inch in total at its widest point may be placed along the seams and may be a different color(s) than the uniform top.
- d. Lettering and collars may be different color(s) than the uniform top.
- e. A single school name, mascot and/or player's name may be placed on the uniform top. Designs are not permitted. A single mascot reference and/or school name may be placed on the sleeve(s), not to exceed either 4 by 4 inches or 3 by 5 inches.
- f. Numbers shall be a contrasting color to the uniform top and meet all other specifications in Rule 4-2-4.

ART. 3...Each player, including the libero, shall be identified by a number on the uniform top which is not a duplicate of a teammate's number.

ART. 4...The number shall be:

- a. Permanent and clearly visible;
- b. Not more than two digits (00, 0-99);
- c. A plain, Arabic numeral of a solid color, where either the body of the number (measuring not less than $\frac{3}{4}$ inch in width at its narrowest point) or the surrounding solid color(s) of trim (a contrasting border not to exceed $\frac{1}{2}$ inch in width at its widest point) is a color that is in sharp contrast to the color of the uniform top. A shadow on part of the number not to exceed $\frac{1}{2}$ inch at its widest point is permitted but shall not be used to make the number clearly visible regardless of color;
- d. Located on the upper front and back of the uniform top;
- e. At least 4 inches tall on the front of the top and at least 6 inches tall on the back of the top;
- f. Placed so the top of the number on the front of the uniform is no more than 5 inches down from the shoulder seam; or placed so the number is centered no more than 5 inches below the bottom edge of any neckline ribbing, placket or seams on the uniform top.

ART. 5...If a visible number is worn on the uniform bottom, it shall be the same number as on the uniform top.

ART. 6...Appropriate playing shoes shall be worn.

ART. 7...Removal of any part of the uniform, excluding shoes, while in the playing area is unsporting conduct.

PENALTIES:

- 1. When a player wearing an illegal uniform attempts to enter the set, unnecessary delay (administrative yellow card for the first offense or administrative red card for subsequent offense in that set) shall be assessed to the team. The player shall not enter the set until the illegal uniform is replaced or made legal.**
- 2. When a player wearing an illegal uniform is discovered in the set, unnecessary delay (administrative yellow card for the first offense or administrative red card for subsequent offense in that set) shall be assessed to the team. The player must be removed until the uniform is replaced or immediately made legal. Following the administration of unnecessary delay, if the team has a time-out remaining, the player may remain in the set provided the illegal uniform is replaced or made legal during the time-out period.**
- 3. When a team cannot begin the match with six players wearing legal uniforms, a loss of rally/point shall be rewarded to the opponent at the beginning of the match, and the state association shall be notified.**