

## RULES OF PARTICIPATION IN THE 6x6 MIXED VOLLEY TOURNAMENT

### RULES OF THE GAME

#### ART. 1\_ Organisation of the tournament

All players must have a valid Basic membership and a valid non-competitive sports medical certificate for the duration of the tournament.

The volleyball tournament is mixed; each team must be mixed gender, with at least two persons of the less-represented gender on the court; this applies to all sets.

The first stage is a round-robin, in which each team plays all the other teams in its pool. At the end of this first stage, the top-ranked teams from each pool will advance to the knockout stage.

The calendars, results, possible sanctions and measures and all useful information during the course of the tournament shall be published and updated on the dedicated page on the [sports website](#).

In the group stage, the position of each individual group on the leadership board is established according to the following scores:

- 3 points for each match won by 2 sets to 0,
- 2 points for each match won by 2 sets to 1,
- 1 point for each match lost by 1 set to 2,
- 0 points for each match lost by 0 sets to 2.

In case of tied leader board scores, the ranking will follow this order:

- a. number of matches won,
- b. set ratio (sets won/sets lost),
- c. points difference (points won - points conceded),
- d. most sets won,
- e. most points scored,
- f. draw.

A team shall lose the game by forfeit if it fails to appear on the court within 15 minutes of the official starting time. Teams that fail to show up shall be declared losers by 0-2 and shall lose the right to the return of the game deposit, unless they have notified the Organising Committee by 5 pm on the day before the match by sending an e-mail to [tornei@polimi.it](mailto:tornei@polimi.it) or by sending a message on WhatsApp to +39 338 4955185.

Each team can consist of a minimum of **6 players** up to a maximum of **10 players**. Players cannot be added after registration closes, except in specific cases (e.g., player injury).

Each team is allowed to use players from outside the squad as substitutes, provided they have a valid medical certificate and a Basic membership. This option may be exercised a maximum of two times in total throughout the entire tournament. The same player may not be used as a substitute by more than one team during the tournament.

Each player may participate with one team; if a player is listed on the roster of one team, they cannot be listed on the roster of another team.

**It should be noted that the 6x6 volleyball tournament matches will be played at the same time as the matches for the other sports (e.g., 3x3 basketball, 5-a-side football); if a player decides to participate simultaneously in the matches for more than one sport, they shall acknowledge in advance the possibility that these different matches may overlap.**

**In this case, each player shall have the right solely of choosing the match in which they want to take part; the Organising Committee shall bear no responsibility for such an occurrence and any request by the teams to reschedule the games shall be declined.**

The matches shall be played at the Giuriati Sports Centre on Thursdays (from 6 pm) and on Saturdays (from 2 pm).

A provisional general schedule of the days and times when matches will be played is posted in the tournament section of the sport website.

The start time and dates of the tournament may be changed at the discretion of the Organising Committee. In the event of any changes, the captain(s) of the team(s) shall be notified promptly by the Organising Committee.

Before the final schedule is published, each team is allowed to submit specific requests regarding any scheduling preferences. This option may be exercised a maximum of two times in total throughout the entire tournament.

Once scheduled and designated, matches may not be rescheduled, except in the case of organisational problems on the part of the Organising Committee. Any requests to reschedule a match shall NOT be accepted.

**NB. Teams that reach the finals are obliged to wear the Politecnico di Milano jersey provided at registration; in case of non-possession, the team is automatically excluded from the tournament.**

Below are the rules of the game:

**a) DURATION**

The duration of the matches is set at 2 sets of 25 points plus a possible third set of 15 points, with a 2-minute interval between sets.

**b) NET HEIGHT**

The height of the playing net is set at 2.35 metres.

**c) SUBSTITUTIONS DURING PLAY**

Unlimited substitutions are permitted, provided that each reserve always substitutes the same starting player.

For anything not covered above, the technical and disciplinary rules of the Italian Volleyball Federation (FIPAV) apply.

**ART. 2\_ Sanctions and additional provisions with respect to the GENERAL RULES OF TOURNAMENTS OF POLITECNICO DI MILANO**

For inappropriate language - swearing, profanities, etc. - against other players, there will be a first warning, followed by expulsion;

For inappropriate language - swearing, profanities, etc. - towards the referee, there will be direct expulsion.

**Deposit**

Each team must deposit a **€50** fee as a game deposit and undertake to participate in all matches as per the schedule published on [sport.polimi.it](http://sport.polimi.it).

In the event that the team fails to turn up in time to play the match and has not notified the Organising Committee by 5 pm on the day before the match (by sending an e-mail to [tornei@polimi.it](mailto:tornei@polimi.it) or by sending a message on WhatsApp to +39 338 4955185), the deposit shall not be returned and shall be retained as a supplement to the registration fee.

The deposit must be paid in **cash** at the Giuriati Sports Center and/or Parco dei Gasometri (the captain will receive notification by email) and may be requested at the end of the activity (May 29) and no later than **June 30**, again at the Giuriati Sports Center and/or Parco dei Gasometri.

## GAME FORMULA

**The formula may be subject to change depending on the actual number of teams registered for the tournament.**

The tournament foresees a maximum number of **18 teams**. The teams will be divided into 6 groups of 3 teams each.

During the first phase, each team will play against all the other teams in its group in one-off matches. At the end of the group stage, the teams ranked **first** and **second** in each group, along with the four best **third-placed** teams, will advance to the knockout stage.

Three merit-based rankings will be drawn up; one for the first (P1, P2, P3...), one for the second (S1,S2,S3...) and one for the third (T1,T2,T3...). The meritocratic ranking will take into account in order of importance:

- a. points obtained,
- b. number of matches won,
- c. set ratio (sets won/sets lost),
- e. points difference (points scored - points conceded),
- d. most sets won,
- e. most points scored,
- f. draw.

Once the **16 teams** participating in the round of 16 have been established, the tournament will continue according to the following table:

