



MARCH 19 – 20

2022

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

Welcome to Mizuno March Mania for Girls 12's - 18's age divisions. We are looking forward to a great 2 days of competition and hope that you will find the event, facilities, and accommodations more than satisfactory. Thank you to all the clubs, coaches, players, parents, and college coaches for supporting and making this a great event.

2022 EVENT NOTES

1. **Credential Pick-Up is between 5PM and 8PM on FRIDAY MARCH 18 ONLY** (all credentials must be picked up at this time) at the Wisconsin Dells Center-Main Lobby. There will be **NO Saturday check-in!** If you are unable to pick up your credentials on Friday night, please make arrangements with someone else in your club to assist you. For those clubs who wish to do a **GROUP CHECK-IN** please email Renita no later than Monday, March 14 at renita@netlynxsports.com

Please make sure that your rosters are correct in AES via the online check-in process. Online Check-In can be completed from Monday, March 14 - Wednesday, March 16th at 5pm. Changes can be made to your roster prior to the event, but rosters are frozen once they are submitted via the online check-in process. No exceptions. The JVA Coaches' Event Sign In Form will need to be turned in at this time. It verifies that you have your teams' JVA Waiver of Liability Form and a JVA Medical Waiver and Release Form or their USAV equivalent. Housing forms should also be turned in at this time if your team/club did not submit a form online or did not book through eventconnect.com

2. Admission for spectators will be \$10/day at the Wisconsin Dells Center. Please pass along to your parents so that they are aware of the process.
3. Parking at the Wisconsin Dells Center will be \$5/vehicle with "in and out" privileges for the day. Coaches/Directors are NOT exempt from this fee.
4. We will not be offering practices on Friday evening prior to the event.
5. Players and coaches will be allowed to enter the playing site with their March Mania Bag Tag that they will receive at Team Check-In. The Woodside Group (management for the Wisconsin Dells Center) handles all admissions.
6. Courts 1-16 on the event schedule:
Wisconsin Dells Center (WDC) – 2100 River Road, Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965
7. **No outside food, coolers, or chairs will be allowed in the Wisconsin Dells Center. Please pass along to your team as these are facility rules. Spectator seating is provided in each venue.**
8. Sunday's play guarantees 2 matches. Check your schedule carefully to see if you are starting your day with officiating duties. Be sure to check the schedule after each round to make sure you do not miss an officiating assignment. Also, be aware that the losing team will officiate the next scheduled match on their court in most cases. This may mean officiating a different division or bracket than your team played in.
9. **There will be no tie breaking playoff matches at any level or age group.** The following tie breaking procedure will be utilized based on Match%, Head-to-Head, Set %, & Point %.
10. We will not perform the national anthem at the Wisconsin Dells Center at this time.

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Team Registration/Check-In - **FRIDAY MARCH 18 ONLY**

All teams must check in Friday evening at the **Wisconsin Dells Center** between 5:00 pm & 8:00pm (**NO CHECK IN's ON SATURDAY**) Coaches/Team Reps must verify the team's roster and provide a local contact phone number. This is especially important in case of a major schedule change or any other emergency issues.

General Tournament Format

The initial seeding of the event seeds teams into one division per age group. All teams in each age division are playing for one championship. In the case of ties, please refer to our tie-breaking procedures. Best two of three sets. One and two to 25 and if necessary third set to 15 (no cap).

4 Team Pool Schedule

Team 1 v. Team 3 (Work Team 2)
Team 2 v. Team 4 (Work Team 1)
Team 1 v. Team 4 (Work Team 3)
Team 2 v. Team 3 (Work Team 1)
Team 3 v. Team 4 (Work Team 2)
Team 1 v. Team 2 (Work Team 4)

3 Team Pool Schedule

Please Note: 3 Team Pools are 3 sets to 25 unless otherwise noted.

Team 1 v. Team 3 (Work Team 2)
Team 2 v. Team 3 (Work Team 1)
Team 1 v. Team 2 (Work Team 3)

Results and Schedule Information

Complete posting of results and next round of play will be done on the Advanced Event Systems Website located at <http://www.advancedeventsystems.com>. This will be the official schedule. There will be no paper posting of pool results at any site. Check the internet for all results.

All teams are responsible for determining when they will play or work their next match. **Please read the schedules carefully.**

ALL Teams - Check Your Finish

Before leaving the site, be sure you carefully check your position in the pool. **There will be no tie breaking playoff matches at any level or age group.** The following tie breaking procedure will be utilized based on Match%, Head-to-Head, Set %, & Point %. Site Directors will **NOT** be held accountable for miscommunications or schedule interpretations. The official tournament posting on the Internet is the only source that will be considered should a dispute arise. **These results are updated every 10-15 minutes.**

Match Times – Starting Early

Match start times may be accelerated if coaches, officiating teams, and officials agree. For the purpose of determining forfeits, the scheduled time is the match time, and any forfeit may only occur at the scheduled starting time.

Warm-Up Procedures

For all matches during the event, warm-up time will be 2-4-4. 2 minutes for shared ball handling, 4 minutes for the serving team to have the entire court, 4 minutes for the receiving team to have the entire court. Teams need to provide their own volleyballs to warm-up with.

Libero

Libero will be allowed to serve in this event. Teams will be allowed to use 2 liberos in each match. Libero may be changed between sets if only 1 Libero is designated in the 1st set.

Tournament Seeding

Seeding for this event was done and confirmed by a committee of coaches and club directors. An emphasis was placed on Presidents' Day events (when possible), with head-to-head match results and Power League standings (in that order). In cases where we did not have results to look at, we conducted research based on results that were entered into Advanced Event Systems. Please note that seeding this event is complicated as the many teams do not play common opponents.

Protest Procedure

If a protest needs to be filed it is to be done at the time of the incident, no later. The first referee is obligated to acknowledge and record all protests. Only the floor captain may file a protest. The protest must be written on the score sheet by the official scorekeeper or the first official and must be signed by the person presenting the protest as well as the first official. All protests will be ruled upon prior to the next service. **Judgment calls may not be protested.** Protests will be considered only for situations outlined in the USA Volleyball Official Rules booklet. The protest committee, designated by the head officials, will handle all protests.

Trainers

Trainers are on duty at the Wisconsin Dells Center. They will attend to players free of charge. However, each player must provide their own supplies (tape, pre-wrap, etc.). Tape and Pre-Wrap will be available in the store located in the WDC. Players are encouraged to talk with the trainers if they have a problem or question. All injuries should be reported to the trainer's station at the WDC. All coaches are required to have their players Emergency Medical Release Forms with them at all times.

Food & Drink at all Sites

There is to be **no outside food or drink allowed in any of the facilities.** Please leave all coolers and food outside the facilities. A picnic or area may be designated to keep your coolers. In the event an area is not designated we ask that coolers and food remain in your vehicle. Absolutely no food is allowed on the Sport Court surfaces or court areas in any of the facilities. Teams which violate this rule will be removed from the event venue. Spectators who violate this rule will be asked to leave the facility.

Ethics & Eligibility Statement

This event is part of JVA Volleyball. Participants, individual or team may access normal "due process" channels should their eligibility to participate be in question.

Ethics and Eligibility

Event Arbitrators: An Event Arbitrator shall serve as the first level of hearing and resolving ethics and eligibility issues at a specific event. Teams or individuals accused of committing violations of ethics and/or eligibility rules and regulations at qualifying and/or championship events shall meet with the event Arbitrators(s).

The authority for the Event Arbitrator to act begins with the arrival of a team and individual participants in the Events city, or 48 hours prior to the first day of competition, whichever is earlier, and shall continue through the duration of the Event through its conclusion.

Decisions of the Event Arbitrator shall be conveyed immediately to the affected parties and may be appealed to the Event Ethics and Eligibility Appeals Committee appointed for the Showcase.

Event Ethics and Eligibility Appeals Committee: An Event Ethics and Eligibility Appeals Committee will be formed for the Mizuno Showcase by Netlynx Sports. The committee shall be composed of three (3) members, one (1) of whom shall meet the definition of a domestic player.

Each committee shall act on appeals of the ethics and eligibility decisions that occur during the conduct of the event. The conduct of the event shall commence when an individual or a team arrives at the site of the event, or forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the first day of competition for that event, whichever is earlier, and shall conclude with the departure of the individual and/or team from the city in which the event has been held.

If the committee is of the opinion the violation is of such a nature that requires further review or more serious discipline, they may file a recommendation with the Member Organization the team/participant represents and/or the JVA Corporation Ethics and Eligibility Committee for extended disciplinary measures.

TEAM AND PLAYER POLICIES

Team Forfeitures

A team that intentionally forfeits a match will be excluded from further participation in the event. If a team forfeits a match, the forfeit will be considered intentional unless the team shows good cause for the forfeit. The Event Arbitrator will determine if good cause exists.

Last Day Forfeits: Teams that enter the Mizuno March Mania are committing to participating in the full event. Teams have control over their travel plans and those plans should be made so that a team will not have to forfeit any matches. A team that forfeits a match for any reason other than illness, injury or emergency is denying another team a match. Additionally, in a single elimination format, it is poor sportsmanship to deny a team the right to move on by beating them and then forfeiting out of the event. Furthermore, it is even more unacceptable to forfeit and then, as loser of the match, not to remain and officiate the next match.

Teams that have no flexibility in their travel plans and know they will need to leave before the conclusion of an event should notify the Tournament Director early on in the event. A decision will be made by the Tournament Director when the team will need to take their forfeit. Teams forfeiting should recognize that additional penalties may apply, which at a minimum will include forfeiting the right for the team's club to attend the event in the future.

Officiating Assignments

Teams are required to officiate as noted on the master schedule. During the pool play rounds the officiating teams are designated on the schedule available online. Teams must supply a down referee, lines people, and scorers. It is NOT required in this tournament that a coach be the 2nd referee but is strongly recommended. A rostered adult from the officiating team must be present during all matches. (Somewhere around the court, and available to the court official should the need arise.) Officiating teams will have COVID procedures to follow at the end of each match.

- Work team is responsible for throwing away all used line up sheets and cleaning up the score table.
- Work teams MUST provide their own work utensils. NO pens, pencils, erasers etc. will be provided.
- Up ref (R1) will bring the score sheet to the tournament desk.

On Sunday, on most of the courts the losing team will stay and officiate the next match on their court. Check the schedule for verification of your work assignments.

The definition of "next match" is the next match that requires an officiating team on that court. For example, a team which loses a match at 8:00 am will normally officiate the next match which is scheduled at 9:00 am, however if there is no scheduled match at 9:00am or the 9:00am match is forfeited by a team, the scheduled officiating team will ref the next match which occurs on that court.

In order to start the tournament on Sunday some of the teams that play at 9:00am will have to be the work team at 8:00 am. These teams are noted in both the master schedule and on the playoff charts. On the playoff chart the officiating teams are those teams which have a box around them. **Check the schedule carefully to see if you are the assigned team to officiate the 8:00am match on Sunday.**

Missed Officiating Duties

A team's failure to have a complete officiating crew, including a rostered coach for that team, available and on time, for a match officiating assignment (pool play, or playoff) could result in the team having to forfeit the first game of its next match. For every minute an officiating team is late to fulfill its assignment, one point will be awarded to that team's next opponent for the first game of the next match – up to 25 points. No more than 25 points will be awarded to the team's next opponent, even if the team designated to officiate misses the entire match. The clock begins to run at the completion of the final 4 minutes of warmups. A team will forfeit its entire next match for failing, a second time, to have an officiating crew available, on time, for an officiating assignment.

TIE-BREAKING PROCEDURES - There will be no tie breaking playoff matches at any level or age group.

The following tie breaking procedure will be utilized based on Match%, Head-to-Head, Set %, & Point %.