



# STERLING ATHLETICS VOLLEYBALL CLASSIC

## *Rules & Regulations*

2014

Dear Coach,

Welcome to the 8<sup>th</sup> annual Sterling Athletics Volleyball Classic. In this handout, you will find the final details for this tournament. We will need your assistance in relaying information to both your players and parents.

**Coaches meeting takes place at 7:15 am in the Hospitality Room (map will be provided).**

**The Tournament will begin at 8am sharp!**

### **Preliminary Pool Play and Refereeing**

	Court #1	Court #2	Court #3
1	Auburn MV	Tahoma	Prairie
2	Wilson	Lincoln	Mount Vernon
3	North Mason	Graham Kapowsin	Todd Beamer
4	Timberline	Snohomish	Auburn

	Court #4	Court #5
1	Edmonds Woodway	Charles Wright
2	Tumwater	Bishop Blanchet
3	Mount Rainier	Kennedy Catholic
4	R.A. Long	Lynnwood

Time	Court 1		Court 2		Court 3		Court 4		Court 5	
	Schedule	Ref	Schedule	Ref	Schedule	Ref	Schedule	Ref	Schedule	Ref
8:00 AM	1 vs 3	2	1 vs 3	2	1 vs 3	2	1 vs 3	2	1 vs 3	2
8:40 AM	2 vs 4	1	2 vs 4	1	2 vs 4	1	2 vs 4	1	2 vs 4	1
9:20 AM	1 vs 4	3	1 vs 4	3	1 vs 4	3	1 vs 4	3	1 vs 4	3
10:00 AM	2 vs 3	1	2 vs 3	1	2 vs 3	1	2 vs 3	1	2 vs 3	1
10:40 AM	3 vs 4	2	3 vs 4	2	3 vs 4	2	3 vs 4	2	3 vs 4	2
11:20 AM	1 vs 2	4	1 vs 2	4	1 vs 2	4	1 vs 2	4	1 vs 2	4

- Pool Play Format:** 2 games to 25 points, 27 pt cap, start at 5-5.
- Warmups:** 4-4 for a team's first match of the tournament (all 8am and 8:40am matches), with serving included within a team's own warmup. **Each following match will start** immediately upon the conclusion of the prior match, so please be aware of the games and score while waiting to play next.

3. **Teams may pepper on their side** of the court in between matches while the officials get ready for the next match. No cross-court hitting.
4. **Each team that is "officiating" will be required to provide:** Down Ref, two line judges, scorekeeper and flipchart operator. Teams must make sure they are at the court promptly prior to all games so that a smooth transition from one game to the next occurs. Teams or coaches delaying the process because they are not present will be subject to a five-point penalty in their next game. Please bring your own whistle. **NOTE: You MUST use a whistle when officiating.**
5. **Teams are allowed 2 timeouts per game.**
6. **After the pool has been played out the teams will be seeded 1-3 by the Pool Ranking system:** 1) game wins 2) head to head +/- points (only if two way tie) 3) Overall pool +/- points 4) Overall total points

## Second Round Pool Play

### Teams will be re-pooled with new rankings

**1<sup>st</sup> Place in Preliminary Pool:** Adjusted ranking will be determined by each pool winner being ranked 1-5 using the following criteria:

- 1) highest pool seed
- 2) match wins
- 3) game wins
- 4) +/- points
- 5) overall points scored

Pool A	1	6	15	20
Pool B	2	7	14	19
Pool C	3	8	13	18
Pool D	4	9	12	17
Pool E	5	10	11	16

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place:** The 2nd place finishers of each preliminary pool will be ranked amongst themselves for **seeds 6-10** using the same criteria.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place:** The 3rd place finishers of each preliminary pool will be ranked amongst themselves for **seeds 11-15** using the same criteria.

**4<sup>th</sup> Place:** The 4th place finishers of each preliminary pool will be ranked amongst themselves for **seeds 16-20** using the same criteria.

**Second Round Pool Play Format:** 2 games to 25 points, 27 pt cap, start at 5-5.

Time	Court 1		Court 2		Court 3		Court 4		Court 5	
	Schedule	Ref	Schedule	Ref	Schedule	Ref	Schedule	Ref	Schedule	Ref
12:30 PM	1 vs 3	2	1 vs 3	2	1 vs 3	2	1 vs 3	2	1 vs 3	2
1:10 PM	2 vs 4	1	2 vs 4	1	2 vs 4	1	2 vs 4	1	2 vs 4	1
1:40 PM	1 vs 4	3	1 vs 4	3	1 vs 4	3	1 vs 4	3	1 vs 4	3
2:20 PM	2 vs 3	1	2 vs 3	1	2 vs 3	1	2 vs 3	1	2 vs 3	1
3:00 PM	3 vs 4	2	3 vs 4	2	3 vs 4	2	3 vs 4	2	3 vs 4	2
3:40 PM	1 vs 2	4	1 vs 2	4	1 vs 2	4	1 vs 2	4	1 vs 2	4

**After the second round of pool play has been completed, the pool teams will be again seeded 1-4 by the following criteria:** 1) game wins 2) head to head +/- points (only if two way tie) 3) Overall pool +/- points 4) Overall total points

## Bracket Play

### **Seeded 1 – 8 Gold Upper (Ct1) and Lower Bracket (Ct2)**

The top eight finishers in the 2nd round pools (which are the pool winners plus the highest ranked 2nd place finishers) will be ranked 1-8 using the following criteria: 1) highest pool seed 2) match wins 3) game wins 4) +/- points 5) overall points scored 6) previous pool seed

Teams 1-4 will be placed in the Gold Upper bracket. Teams 5-8 placed in the Gold Lower bracket.

### **Seeded 9–16 Silver Upper (Ct3) and Lower Bracket (Ct4)**

The next best eight get ranked and seeded into the silver brackets.

### **Seeded 17–20 Bronze Upper (Ct5)**

Then the last five are ranked and placed into the bronze bracket.

**Playoff Format:** Single Elimination. Best 2/3 to 25 points, 27 pt cap, start at 0-0. Third game to 15, no cap, start at 0-0.

Bracket Distribution

1-Ct. 1	14-Ct. 4	15-Ct. 4
2-Ct. 1	13-Ct. 4	16-Ct. 4
3-Ct. 1	12-Ct. 3	17-Ct. 5
4-Ct. 1	11-Ct. 3	18-Ct. 5
5-Ct. 2	10-Ct. 3	19-Ct. 5
6-Ct. 2	9-Ct. 3	20-Ct. 5
7-Ct. 2	8-Ct. 2	

Top 8 teams go to championship bracket  
Middle 8 go Silver  
Bottom go Bronze

**Gold Championship bracket**

Ct. 1 seeds 1-4

**Gold consolation bracket**

Ct. 2 seeds 5-8

**Silver upper bracket**

Ct. 3 seeds 9-12

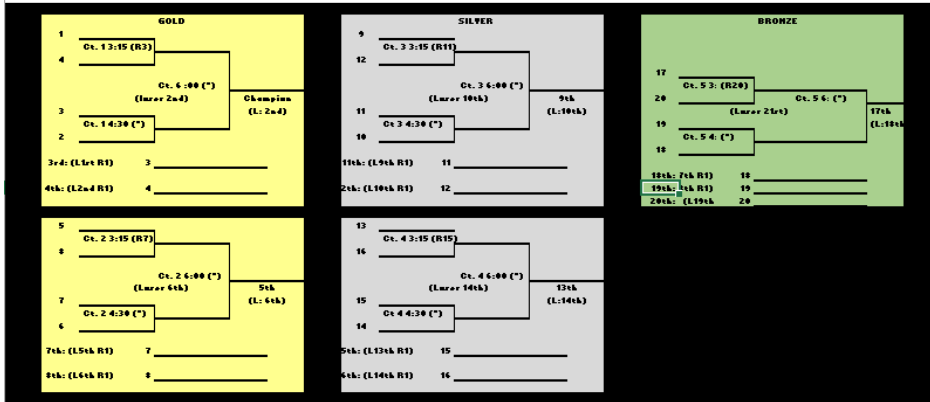
**Silver lower bracket**

Ct. 4 seeds 13-16

**Bronze upper bracket**

Ct. 5 seeds 17-20

Final Brackets



\*\*\*In an effort to accommodate the many teams interested in attending this tournament, this year's results will be used to open up at least four new spots for the 2015 tournament. Teams finishing in 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, & 20<sup>th</sup> will not receive an automatic invite. Because each year is a little different, these four openings may or may not be taken, so it is still possible your team will be invited. Thank you for your understanding.

Final Bracket Play:	Best of 3 Games 2: 25, 1: 15
4:30pm	1 vs. 4, Ref: 3
5:45pm	2 vs. 3, Ref: Loser of Match
7:00pm	Finals, Ref: Loser of Match