

# Mud Volleyball 2019!

## NEW Player Rules and Tournament Information

1. PLAY STARTS AT 8:00 A.M.
2. Championships begin at 3:00: this includes the Gold Level Teams (8 teams) and Bronze Level Teams (8 teams).
3. Final match for winning team is best 2 out of 3 games. Each game consists of 20 minutes with the team scoring the most points winning.
4. Each team is guaranteed no less than 4 games in this round robin tournament.
5. A game consists of 20 minutes. The team leading at the end of 20 minutes will be declared the winner. In the case of a tie at the 20 minutes mark, scoring changes to rally scoring and the winner of the next point or "side out" wins the game. THE TIME LIMIT APPLIES TO ALL GAMES, NO EXCEPTIONS.
6. Game times are called by the officials. Failure to present a team after 2 minutes will constitute a forfeit.
7. The referee's whistle will signal time for serve. Serving before the referee's signal will result in loss of serve. After a referee calls for serve, the ball must be served within 5 seconds. After one warning, stalling will result in a ruling for side out for the other team.
8. A maximum of 8 people is allowed on the court at one time; at least two women and two men at all times.
9. All players must sign a release of liability form before playing, and all players under 18 years of age must have a signed release and consent from a parent or guardian.
10. A ball may be played off any part of the body, except the foot.
11. No packing mud on the ball.
12. A ball hit from out of bounds to a teammate or over the legal net boundary can be legally played.
13. A net serve is a "side out" and serve moves to the other team.
14. Touching the net is not allowed at any time. The offending team loses the point and/or serve. If both teams violate the net, the point is replayed.
15. Crossing under the net and interference or contact with the opposing team's play will cause loss of serve or point for the opposing team.
16. If a referee determines that there was interference from another ball, the point will be replayed.
17. Each team is allowed substitutions; except in case of injury, all substitutions will be made at beginning of serve.
18. One time-out per team may be called per match.
19. Every team member must serve in rotation.
20. Only the Team Captain may talk with the referee. **REFEREES' DECISIONS ARE FINAL!**
21. Any player who acts inappropriately, argues with, or abuses any tournament official will be asked to leave the Tournament area. Failure to leave immediately will cause his/her team to forfeit a match. Players ejected from a match will not be allowed to participate in further matches in this tournament. Security and local law enforcement agencies may be called upon to enforce decorum and overall safety.
22. **HAVE A MUDDY GOOD TIME!**

**Tournament play may be adjusted or changed due to unforeseen circumstances.**

**It is strongly recommended that every player wear shoes. Should you choose not to wear shoes, you choose to do so at your own risk. The Epilepsy Foundation of East Tennessee is not responsible for any injury or accident occurring during Mud Volleyball.**