

Q. Are the beach courts reserved for City of Kelowna beach volleyball leagues?

A. All beach courts are reserved for Kelowna Sport - Beach Volleyball Leagues Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 5:30 p.m. to dusk at Gyro Beach and City Park. Otherwise courts are available to the general public when tournaments and/or events aren't running.

Q. What are the lines for the beach volleyball courts?

A. The court boundaries of 9m x 9m are drawn by teams upon arrival. The line is considered the whole "trough" or "V" when dug into the sand. If any part of the ball touches the "trough" or "V" it is considered in. Staking portable lines is not permitted due to unmarked underground utilities.

Q. Are the beach courts maintained through the week?

A. City Park and Gyro Beach courts are groomed regularly through the week during the spring and summer. Grooming service may not coincide with your game time or day. Unpredictable weather and public use (i.e. sticks, litter, etc.) may affect the courts. Teams will want to do a sweep of their court prior to warming to ensure player safety.

Q: What if the current or forecasted weather looks like the game will be rained out?

A: Your team must show up to the game. Do not assume the game is cancelled. Once at the court (and after a 10 minute rain delay has expired) both teams can decide to re-schedule the match. Team captains needs to agree on a day/time prior to contacting the league coordinator, 250-469-8461, to book a court. Re-scheduled games will be based on court availability and may not be possible.

Q: How many points to win a beach volleyball game?

A: Beach Sixes games go to 25 points Beach Doubles games go to 21 points using the rally point scoring system. (A two point advantage is needed to win). Best 2 out of 3 games win the match. ** Remember, one-hour time limit

Q: How many players do we need for an eligible game? Can we pick up other players if we are short?

A: Minimum 5 players on the court at all times of which at least 2 must be of the same gender. The match is forfeited if a team does not have the minimum player requirement by 10 minutes past the scheduled start time.

Player Pick-up Rule: A team may pick up 1 player only from another team in the league to reach the minimum number of players required (5 players of which at least 2 must be of the same gender). The team must continue to play with 5 players throughout the match. If the team's regular rostered player shows up then that player must take the place of the substitute player and the team must continue with the legal minimum 5 players. This is for league play only.

Q. Can alcohol be brought to the beach courts?

A. Alcohol is not allowed on the beach courts at any City park. Consumption of alcohol in a non-licensed public place is illegal and enforceable by the RCMP.

Q. Are the beach volleyball nets adjustable?

A. Beach volleyball nets are not adjustable. If the net height seems off, try to smooth out the sand below to bring the level up.

Q. Are socks and/or shoes required?

A. Socks and/or shoes are optional, it is a personal choice dependant on the weather. Please run it by the opposing team if shoes will be worn by players during the game.

Q. What equipment does our team need to bring to play beach volleyball?

A. Balls are to be provided by teams and nets are provided by the City of Kelowna.

Q. Which beach courts are scheduled for game play?

A. Depending on size of league, games will be scheduled to play at Boyce-Gyro and City Park beach courts.

Q. Is there parking at the beach courts?

A. Parking is available at both Boyce-Gyro and City Park beach courts. Use the pay by phone app or the onsite parking meter. Allow extra time and read parking lot signs for parking hours and rates.

Q. What do I do if there are people playing on our scheduled courts?

A. All beach courts at Boyce-Gyro and City Park are reserved Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings from 5:30 p.m. to dusk for City of Kelowna sports league programs. Politely request that the individuals or group playing on the beach court free it up for your team to play your scheduled league game. Signs are posted to inform the public of the priority use for our programs on the beach courts during these times.

If you have any other questions that you would like answered on this site, please send them via email them to sportsleagues@kelowna.ca