DIAA VOLLEYBALL RULES ADOPTIONS/MODIFICATIONS

1-2-3 Note 1 By state high school association adoption, teams may play a best two-of-three set match in which a team is considered the winner of the match when it wins two sets. All sets shall be 25 points (no cap). The third game shall not be played unless it is necessary to determine the winner of the match. If a third set is necessary, a coin toss shall be conducted prior to that game.

The DIAA Board of Directors has NOT approved the use of 2 out of 3 matches at the <u>varsity</u> level.

1-2-3 Note 2 By state high school association adoption, modification of match format is permitted for series other than dual varsity matches.

The DIAA Board of Directors has approved the use of 2 out of 3 matches at the sub-varsity level.

- 1-7-1 If a match is suspended due to:
 - a. Power failure;
 - b. Host management failing to resolve a situation of an unruly spectator(s) in a reasonable amount of time;
 - c. Other unforeseen circumstances.

It may be resumed from the point of suspension unless the state association determines otherwise. When play is resumed, the score and lineup shall be the same as they were at the moment of suspension.

A match which is interrupted for any of the aforementioned reasons will be resumed from the point of interruption unless the opposing schools decide, before leaving the playing site, to consider it a completed match. If the match is to be resumed, it should be completed on the next available date and would be considered a postponed contest with regards to DIAA Regulation 1008 & 1009 4.3 Maximum Game Schedules and Designated Sport Season.

- 1-7-2 Unless state association rules determine otherwise, a match shall be declared a forfeit when:
 - a. A team refuses to play when directed to do so by the first referee;
 - b. A coach is removed from the premises for unsportsmanlike conduct and no authorized school personnel is present to assume responsibility for the team.

There are no DIAA regulations which would preclude the forfeiture of a game in the aforementioned circumstances. In a. above, the offending team would be required to forfeit the game. In b. above, the offending team would be required to forfeit the game and match.

1-7-4 Unless state association rules determine otherwise, a set shall be declared a forfeit when a team has fewer than six players to start the match.

There are no DIAA regulations which would preclude the forfeiture of a game in the aforementioned circumstances. In the situation above, the offending team would be required to forfeit the game.

4-1 Notes 2 Each state association may, in keeping with applicable laws, authorize exceptions to NFHS playing rules to provide reasonable accommodations to individual participants with disabilities and/or special needs, as well as those individuals with unique circumstances. The accommodations should not fundamentally alter the sport, heighten risk to the athletes/others or place opponents at a disadvantage.

The DIAA Board has established the following procedure for schools to request an accommodation based on disability, and/or a special need. The athletic director must contact either the DIAA State Rules Interpreter (Kelly Callahan) or the Executive Director in order to obtain clearance for the player to participate in a scrimmage or a game with the accommodation. The State Rules Interpreter or the Executive Director will inspect the accommodation. If, in their opinion the accommodation meets the rule above, it will be approved for use. The Executive Director will forward a letter to that effect to the player's athletic director. A copy of the letter should then be provided to the officials before each game in which the player is in uniform.

5-1-1 Note Line judges, unless determined otherwise by state association policy, shall be provided by the host school.

The DIAA Board has approved the procedure that each school will provide a line judge for all matches. Additionally, the visiting school will provide a libero tracker at the scorers' table, if their school uses a libero, and the home team school does not. ALL Officials will be properly trained by their respective school.

5-9-4 Flags shall be used by line judges for signals, unless determined by the state association to use hand signals

The DIAA Board has NOT taken any action on this article.

6-2-1 A team shall consist of six players to begin the first game of the match. If a team has fewer than six players to begin the match, a forfeit shall be declared unless state association rules determine otherwise.

There are no DIAA regulations which would preclude the forfeiture of a game in the aforementioned circumstances. In the situation above, the offending team would be required to forfeit the game.

9-1-2 Note By state association adoption, teams may remain on the same benches throughout the match.

The DIAA Board of Directors has <u>not</u> adopted this provision and consequently, teams will change playing areas and benches for the second game of any 2-out-of-3 game match and for the second, third, and fourth games of any 3-out-of-5 game match.

9-2-1 Note A team may use electronic devices during the match. State associations may also have policies in place to further address the use of electronic devices.

The DIAA Board has NOT taken any action on this article.

9-2-2 For sets two, three and four in a five-set match, teams shall change playing areas and benches immediately when directed by the referee unless state association rules determine otherwise.

There are no DIAA regulations which would modify these procedures.

9-2-2 Note In a three-set match, teams shall change playing areas and benches for set two.

There are no DIAA regulations which would modify these procedures. See Rule 9-1-2 Note above.