

# GIBSON COUNTY FAIR MUD VOLLEYBALL

JULY 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017 | 7:00 P.M.

DIVISION I [10-15 yrs old]

DIVISION II [16- and up]

## Mud Volleyball Rules and Regulations

*All participants play at their own risk. Every effort to insure safety has been made, but a mud pit carries an obvious natural risk. Shoes with laces will be required this year but players must sign waivers in order to play. The Gibson County Fair is not held liable for any injuries due to objects that might be found in the mud pit, or injuries occurring by other players. Shoes that are worn must be flat bottom tennis shoes. No spiked shoes are allowed.*

1. Waivers & money must be signed and turned in before noon on July 9<sup>th</sup> to the fair office. Co-ed teams will play with six (6) total players on the court, with two (2) female players at minimum. A team may not begin play until these requirements are satisfied. Failure to meet player criteria will result in a forfeit. Teams will not be reimbursed for forfeited matches.
2. Players may play on only one team.
3. Most games will last approximately 20 minutes but, if a game finishes early the next game will begin play. At the end of the preceding game, there will be a five (5) minute grace period for the next match. Four (4) members of the team **MUST** be present at the end of this grace period in order for the team to compete. Failure to do so will result in removal from the contest without reimbursement.
4. Line calls will be at the discretion of line judges and base on an honor system.
5. The tournament supervisor may eject any player who displays flagrant or gross unsporting behavior. Any player arguing with an official will be asked to leave the game and immediate vicinity. Failure to leave will result in forfeiture. Players removed from the match will not be allowed to participate in future matches.
6. The courts will measure 60'x30'. Ropes will be used to outline the dimensions of the court.
7. Any ball which hits the ropes will be considered fair. For safety purposes, players may not step on or outside the ropes to play a ball. Any ball outside the ropes will be declared dead and the appropriate side-out/point will be awarded.
8. Servers must start out with the back side of their foot touching the court side of the ropes. The servers are allowed one step off of the ropes.
9. Players may not purposely add mud to the ball. *Penalty: point to other team.*
10. Winner of coin toss chooses serve or side at the start of each match.
11. All games will be played to 15 points using rally style scoring method (points awarded on all serves, including side-outs) or to the end of the 20-minute time limit.
12. Serves may not be blocked or attacked.
13. Intentional delay of game will result in point for the opposing team.
14. Spectators and substitute players must remain at a safe distance from the mud.
15. All participants play at their own risk. Every effort to insure safety has been made, but a mud pit carries an obvious natural risk.
16. Matches will continue in the rain. In the event lightning is sighted, the tournament director reserves the right to suspend play, alter, and/or cancel matches at his/her discretion.
17. If your team must drop out for any reason, please notify the registration table.
18. Keep all children (and other non-participants) out of the mud at all times!
19. Bracket will be determined by order of registration.
20. LACE-UP shoes, shirt (NO WHITE SHIRTS) and shorts must be worn at all times.
21. After game, report **DIRECTLY** to the wash station. No one is allowed to roam the grounds until they are washed off and changed.
22. Single-elimination tournament format: first team to 15 wins, OR team with most points at end of 20 minute limit.