

2017 Southern Swing Summer League
WOMEN's 4 on 4 Division – Session 1
League Rules
June 4, 2017

1. Each team must consist of a minimum of 4 players all over the age of 18 who are no longer in high school. There is no need to have an additional adult coach present on the bench.
 2. Teams are responsible for their own practice facilities and warm-up balls. Game balls will be provided.
 3. A maximum of 4 players are allowed on the court at any one time.
 4. No tipping is allowed at or inside the 10-foot line.
 5. In weeks 1 – 3 of league play, each match will be best 2 out of 3 sets to 25 (rally scoring, cap 30) with the third set to 15 if needed (rally scoring, cap 20). Teams scheduled to play the first match of the day should be warmed up and ready to begin at the scheduled start time. There will be no formal warm-ups for subsequent matches other than a brief period of peppering & ball handling while captains are called. Teams should stretch and be ready to play at the conclusion of the previous match. We will not wait to begin if matches are running ahead so please be ready. The only match that will begin at the scheduled time will be the first match of the day.
 6. Seeding for week 4 (play-off bracket) will be based on the percentage of MATCHES won during weeks 1 – 3 of league play. In the event of a tie at the end of week 3 the order of seeding will be determined as follows:
 - First – head to head results of the tied teams with the winner receiving the higher seed; if still tied then
 - Second – comparison of the total point spread between the tied teams with the higher point spread receiving the higher seed; if still tied then
 - Third – comparison of the total point spread over all opponents during the first 3 weeks of league play
- ALL TEAMS will play in week 4 regardless of their seeding. The format for bracket play will be a modified single-elimination bracket.
7. Each team will be responsible for providing one referee, one scorekeeper and two line judges for matches when they are not playing.

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8. There should be no ball handling or warm-up in the Sports Center lobby, on the sidelines or on the sand court. Players and spectators should not be on the sand court or in the locker room or faculty areas of the Sports Center at any time. Please use only the designated public restrooms at the end of the rear hallway.
9. Please remind your players and spectators to dispose of any empty water bottles or other trash in the lobby, bleachers and bench areas of the gym before they leave. No outside food or drinks other than water or sports drinks in containers with secured, screw-on lids are allowed in the gym. There are tables located in the lobby area of the Sports Center where your players and spectators may sit to eat and plenty of large trash cans available to dispose of trash. We consider it a privilege to be able to use the Victoria College Sports Center so please help us maintain that privilege by following these simple rules.
10. Game cancellations will not be made up. The canceling team will be credited with the losses.

Teams may play with a minimum of three players if necessary. Teams playing with three will observe a “ghost” spot for the fourth player resulting in a loss of serve when that position reaches the server’s spot. Teams with less than three players may still play but will be required to forfeit the match for purposes of league standings. To avoid a forfeit, teams may use a substitute player. All subs must complete a registration form and release of liability in addition to paying a \$10 registration fee for each week that they participate. Additional jerseys will not be provided for subs.

Teams using players in weeks 1 - 3 that are not on their rosters by “borrowing” jerseys or failing to register those players as substitutes will be required to forfeit those matches for purposes of league standings. Teams cannot use substitute players during any play-off bracket games in Week 4

11. If a team is 10 minutes late, they will forfeit the first set. If they are 15 minutes late, they will forfeit both sets. Time will begin immediately after the conclusion of the previous match. If a team must forfeit for any reason, they should contact Southern Swing immediately by calling **361-210-6876** or by email at **ssvball@yahoo.com**. Please give as much advance notice as possible so that other teams can be notified and schedules can be revised.