

# Duties of the R1

#### **First Referee Duties**

- Pre-match
- Signals
- Whistle
- R2 and Line Judges
- Ball Handling
- Judgment
- Post-match



#### To Be Successful

Learn the Rules

Accept Constructive Criticism

Learn from your Mistakes



#### First Referee Duties

- Facilitate the match without bias
- Know the rules
- Be consistent
- Don't make up calls
- Trust your R2 and Line Judges
- Review R1 duties in the Officials Manual



#### Pre-match Procedures

- Arrive early and greet co-officials
- Inspect the playing area, net, ball
- Introduce yourself to the Admin on Duty
- Pre-match conference (call captains/coach with a double whistle-hold coin in the air)
- Conduct coin toss



#### Pre-Match Conference

- Review playable/non-playable areas
- Review new rules
- Ask coach uniforms and equipment legal?
- Coin toss-Visiting team calls-winner serve or receive
- Timed warm-up begins



# Signals and Whistle

- Use proper signal/sequence
  - Whistle-loss of rally point-violation
- Whistle as soon as the play ends
- Blow your whistle with confidence
- Allow the R2 to whistle first on centerline and net faults



### Use your R2 and LJ

- Support and use your crew
- Check the roster and uniforms with the R2
- Make it a habit to whistle, glance at the line judges as needed, center with the R2, then signal
- Make your crew feel like part of your team
- Always be appreciative



# **Ball Handling**

#### Be consistent

- Beginning to end
- From one technique (set) to another (pass)
- From one court to another court in the same gym
- With protocols and sanctions



# **Ball Handling**

- Use your eyes, not your ears
- Focus on ball contact (watch the ball hit the hands and arms)
- See a fault, whistle--no fault, play on
- Don't call ugly looking plays-ugly is not always illegal



# **During Play**

Know the serving rules

First ball over rules

Second/Third hit rules



- Judgment During Play
  Spin does not always mean fault-watch the hands until you see the misplay
- With the first ballhandling call you make, you are setting the bar for the rest of the match
- Judge only what you see
- Again, ugly may be okay and legal
- Don't allow the crowd or coach to influence your judgment



# How to Improve

- Look confident (even if you are not)
- Separate signals (1-whistle, 2- Point, 3-fault)
- Whistle as soon as play ends
- Slow down signals and hold the higher/longer
- Scan court before beckoning for serve
- Use the correct signal on the correct side





# HAVE A GREAT SEASON