

Volleyball Festival (2026)



Date

Please refer to [website](#)

Sport Venue

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Sport Coordinator

Please send all inquiries to info@sfmelb.org.au

Leagues/Events

Boys	Gr 7-12
Girls	Gr 7-12
Men	Youth (19-29)
Men	Adults (30+)
Women	Youth (19-29)
Women	Adults (30+)

Entry Deadline

Please refer to [website](#)

Only complete paid entries are accepted

Regulations

Unlimited interchanges are applied under the instructions of the match referee.

Sport Venue Check-in

- Teams **must be** at the Sport Venue **30mins** before their first scheduled match.
- Teams **must report their attendance with all Players** names must be on the **approved** registration list as per the SF online registration system and being **approved by the church priest**

Code of Conduct

Any team/player/**church official/parent** who displays unreasonable behaviour in the opinion of officials or the ***Sport Coordinator before, during, or after the tournament may be disqualify their team or themselves up to the discretion of officials or referees.***

Red cards will result in missing the remainder of the game and possibly the rest of the tournament (up to the discretion of officials or referees).

Please also see section regarding game rules

Fee Payments

Fees are **\$20 per player**, and it **must** be paid **before** the game day upon the registration is submitted on the SF online registration system

Entries Limits

Each Parish can submit up to **TWO Teams** per League if chosen to do so, however **ONLY ONE Team** need to be Pre-Marked as Preferred Team of the church to continue the tournament

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Match Rules

- All registered teams will be placed in a fixture during the group stage of the tournament and all age groups (Leagues/Events) get the same number of matches for their category
- Based on the results from Group Stage, the top 4 ranked teams from each age group (Leagues/Events) will be qualified to the Semi Finals then Finals
- Volleyball matches are made up of sets, typically three or five sets.
- Three-set matches are two sets to 25 points and a third set to 15 points. Each set must be won by two points. The first team to win two sets is the winner of the match.
- Five-set matches are four sets to 25 points and a fifth set to 15 points. The team must win by two points unless tournament rules dictate otherwise. The first team to win three sets is the winner.
- All referees used are provided by the venue and appointed to adjudicate the rules of the game with absolute impartiality.
- Match referees will interpret the rules to the best of their ability and their decisions during the game are final.

Game Rules

- Only 6 players on the floor at any given time: 3 in the front row and 3 in the back row.
- Points are made on every serve for the winning team of the rally (rally-point scoring)
- Players may not hit the ball twice in succession (a block is not considered a hit)
- Ball may be played off the net during a volley and on a serve.
- A ball hitting a boundary line is in.
- A ball is out if it hits an antennae, the floor completely outside the court, any of the net or cables outside the antennae, the referee stand or pole, or the ceiling above a non-playable area.
- It is legal to contact the ball with any part of a player's body.
- It is illegal to catch, hold or throw the ball.
- A player cannot block or attack a serve from on or inside the 10-foot line.
- After the serve, front-line players may switch positions at the net.
- Matches are made up of sets; the number depends on level of play.

Volleyball Rule Violations

Committing any of these volleyball rule violations results in a point for the opponent:

- Stepping on or across the service line when serving while making contact with the ball.
- Failure to serve the ball over the net successfully.
- Ball-handling errors and contacting the ball illegally (double touching, lifting, carrying, throwing, etc.)
- Touching the net with any part of the body while the ball is in play.
- Blocking a ball coming from the opponent's court and contacting the ball when reaching over the net if your opponent has not used 3 contacts AND has a player there to make a play on the ball.
- Attacking a ball coming from the opponent's court and contacting the ball when reaching over the net when the ball has not yet broken the vertical plane of the net.
- Crossing the court centerline with any part of your body, apart from a hand or foot. It is only considered a violation if the entire hand or entire foot crosses the court centerline.
- Serving out of rotation or out of order.
- Back row player blocking (deflecting a ball coming from the opponent) when, at the moment of contact, the back row player is near the net and has part of their body above the top of the net. This is an illegal block.
- Back row player attacking a ball inside the front zone (the area inside the 3M/10-foot line) when, at the moment of contact, the ball is completely above the net. This is an illegal attack.
- *Other rules might be in play as instructed by the venue management, those rules will be passed on to teams on the day by the sports leaders and match referee.*

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Uniform

- A Team must have same shirt colour uniform (refer to colour table below)
- All players should wear non-slip footwear

Teams Colours

No	Church Name	T-Shirt Color	Color
1	Archangel Michael & St. Anthony	BLACK	
2	St. Athanasius	LIGHT GREEN	
3	St. Bishoy & St. Shenouda	RED	
4	St. George	DARK BLUE	
5	St. John the Evangelist	Maroon/Dark Red	
6	St. Macarius	Grey	
7	St. Mark	Yellow	
8	St. Mary	LIGHT BLUE	
9	St. Mina & St. Marina	White	
10	St. Moses the Strong	Orange	
11	St. Paul	Dark Brown	
12	St. Philopateer Marcorious	Gold	
13	St. Severus & St. Karas	Light Brown	