



Volleyball Isle of Man Association

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Playing Time Policy

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1. General

This document outlines Volleyball Isle of Man (VBIOM) Association's playing time policy. This applies to all situations where a player is representing Volleyball Isle of Man, either on the men's team, women's team, or a mixed team.

2. Game Types

Typically, VBIOM has three types of games:

1. Competitive Games
2. Fair Play Games
3. Recreational Games

3. Player Time on Court

Player time on court can be determined by the type of game being played. Before signing up to a match a player will be notified of the type of game to be played. The amount of time spent on court will be conducted as follows:

- i. *Competitive Game* – coaches discretion. This means the coach will determine which players are on court, based upon ability, fitness and competitive tactics. There is a possibility that players may remain on the bench throughout the match. (e.g. National Cup and when representing Isle of Man at National Level, some tournaments).
- ii. *Fair Play Game* – a player can expect to be played in a match for a variable amount of time, for which the coach will decide. Please note, that this may not be one set in its entirety but split over multiple sets. (e.g. UK league games, some tournaments).
- iii. *Recreational Game* – all players will be given a similar opportunity to participate in the game irrespective of ability. (e.g. Summer sessions).

Please note, due to the nature of the game it is not always possible to assure that everyone spends an equal amount of time on court.

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All training sessions will provide members with an opportunity to practice in a fair environment.

4. Individual Clubs Teams

Playing time for individual clubs will be determined separately by each club policy.