

USAV LIBERO SERVING RULE

USAV 7.7.1: A rotational fault is committed when a Libero serves in a second rotation position in the same set.

USAV 19.3.1.3:

- a. The Libero may not block or attempt to block.
- b. In one rotation, a Libero may serve after replacing the player in position 1.

USAV 19.3.2.1: In one rotation, a Libero can replace the player in position 1 and serve the next rally, even if s/he is already on the court in replacement of another player. In this situation, the Libero does not have to exit the court before replacing the player in position 1, and there does not need to be a completed rally between Libero replacements.

Scoring Guidelines for Libero Serving

The following guidelines should be used by the scorer when a Libero serves. Refer to Rule 19 in the DCR for all other Libero situations.

The Libero(s) will be permitted to serve in only one rotation during each set. (USAV rule 7.7.1)

Team uses one Libero for the match:

A. Situation 1: Libero is currently on the court: If, after a completed rally, the Libero replaces the player in position 1 (right back) as the correct server, then two Libero replacements during the same interruption will be allowed. In this situation, the player currently on the court and rotating to position 1 will exit the court, the Libero will move to position 1 to serve the ball and the original player replaced by the Libero will return to the court in his/her original position.

B. Situation 2: Libero currently on the bench: After a completed rally, the Libero may replace the player in position 1 and be the correct server.

Team uses two Liberos for the match:

A. Situation 1: Acting Libero is currently on the court and will serve next: If, after a completed rally, the Acting Libero replaces the player in position 1 (right back) as the correct server, then two Libero replacements involving the Acting Libero during the same interruption will be allowed. In this situation, the player currently on the court and rotating to position 1 will exit the court, the Acting Libero will move to position 1 to serve the ball and the original player replaced by the Acting Libero will return to the court in his/her original position.

B. Situation 2: Acting Libero is currently on the court and second Libero will serve next: If, after a completed rally, the second Libero (currently on the bench) replaces the player in position 1 as the correct server, then both Libero may be involved in separate replacements during the same interruption. In this situation, the player currently on the court and rotating to position 1 will exit the court and the second Libero will enter the court in position 1 to serve the ball. At the same time the Acting Libero will leave the court and the player replaced by the Acting Libero returns to the court in his/her original position.

After a completed rally using two Liberos:

A. If both Liberos are on the bench either Libero may come from the bench and replace the player in position 1 as the correct server.

B. The Libero on the bench may replace the current Libero serving in Position 1 as the correct server

C. The player on the bench may return and replace the current Libero serving in Position 1 as the correct server
Remember that at NO TIME may a team have two Liberos on the court during play.

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The following guidelines should be used by the scorer and assistant scorer when the Libero serves.

The assistant scorer must pay close attention to observe and record all Libero replacements accurately.

The referees and scorers will not intervene to correct an illegal Libero replacement or potential wrong server prior to the service. Instead, a positional fault or rotational fault, respectively, will be called at the moment of the service hit. Prior to the authorization to serve, the coach or captain may request a line-up check to verify the team's position or rotation order.

The Libero(s) will be permitted to serve in only one rotation during each set. The first time a Libero serves in each set, the scorer and assistant scorer will draw a triangle around the position number (the Roman numeral) in the Svc Order area of the scoresheet (Fig. A) and Libero Control Sheet (Fig. B).

Figure A:

START 19:00 TEAM BLUE					
Svc Order	I	II	III	IV	
Nº of Players	2	8	10	12	

Figure B:

		Libero	
(B) SP	L	R	
	9	X	
I	2		
II	8	L	
III	10		
IV	12		

Fig.A Fig. B

Deciding set: If a Libero serves for the team on the left before the court switch, the scorer must record the triangle around the appropriate position number in the Service Order area on the far left and far right sides of the scoresheet (Fig C).

Figure C:

START 17:36 TEAM SILVER						Libero (A) SP						Points	Libero (B) SP						BLUE TEAM						Points	Points	At Chg	Libero (A) SP						SILVER TEAM						END :	
Service Order	5c	17	I	III	9	IV	4	V	2	VI	1	9	2c	8	II	10	III	12	IV	4	V	1	VI	1	12	23	1	12	23	5c	17	I	III	9	IV	4	V	2	VI		
Nº of Players																																									

In addition, the assistant scorer must record the triangle around the appropriate position number in the Service Order area on both the left and right sides of the Libero Control Sheet (Fig. D).

Figure D:

AorB (A) SP		Libero L R		SILVER		AorB (B) SP		Libero L R		BLUE		AorB (A) SP		SILVER	
I	5c			I	2c			I	5c						
II	17	L		II	8			II	17						
III	1			III	10			III	1						
IV	9			IV	12			IV	9						
V	4			V	4			V	4						
VI	2			VI	1			VI	2						

In the running score column on the scoresheet, the service of points scored by each Libero will be designated by a triangle rather than a slash in the running score column. (Fig. E)

Figure E:

Points	Points
1 12 23	1 12 23
2 13 24	△ 13 24
3 14 25	3 14 25
4 15 26	4 15 26
5 16 27	5 16 27
6 17 28	6 17 28
7 18 29	7 18 29
8 19 30	8 19 30
9 20 31	9 20 31
10 21 32	10 21 32
11 22 33	11 22 33