



# Pre-Match Duties

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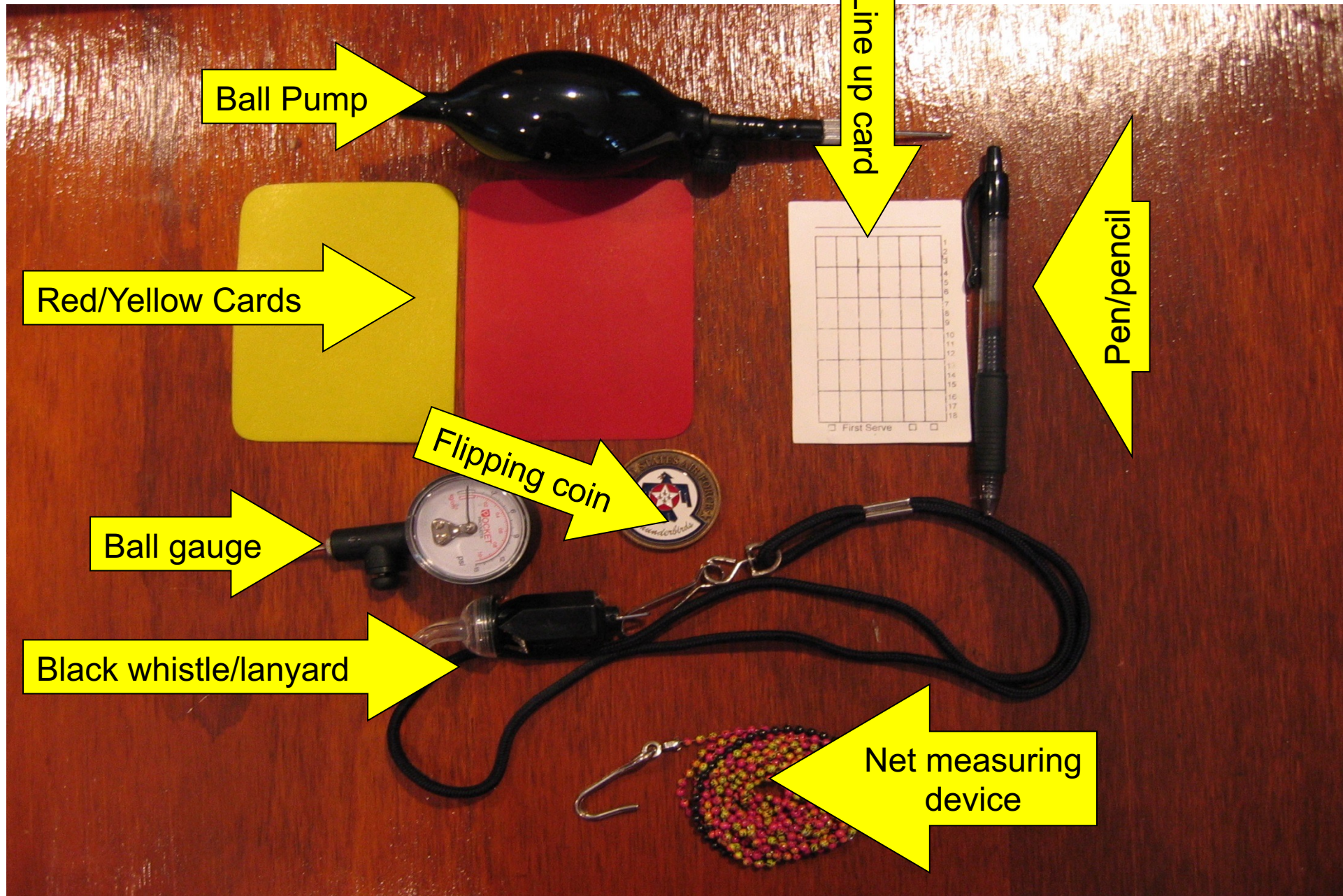
# After accepting your assignment

- **Confirm time, date and uniform color with your co-official**
- **Have your uniform and equipment in order**
- **Have your personal information filled out on your paysheet**

# Day of your match

- **Allow for your drive time**
- **Have all your equipment with you**
- **Arrive courtside in uniform 30 min. prior to start time**
- **Turn in TASO Invoice Pay Sheet, W-9, and fill out any local pay sheet required by school**

# What Do You Need?



# What else you need



Timing Device



Line Judge Flags

# Which Shoes?



**The First  
Impression is  
a Lasting  
One!**



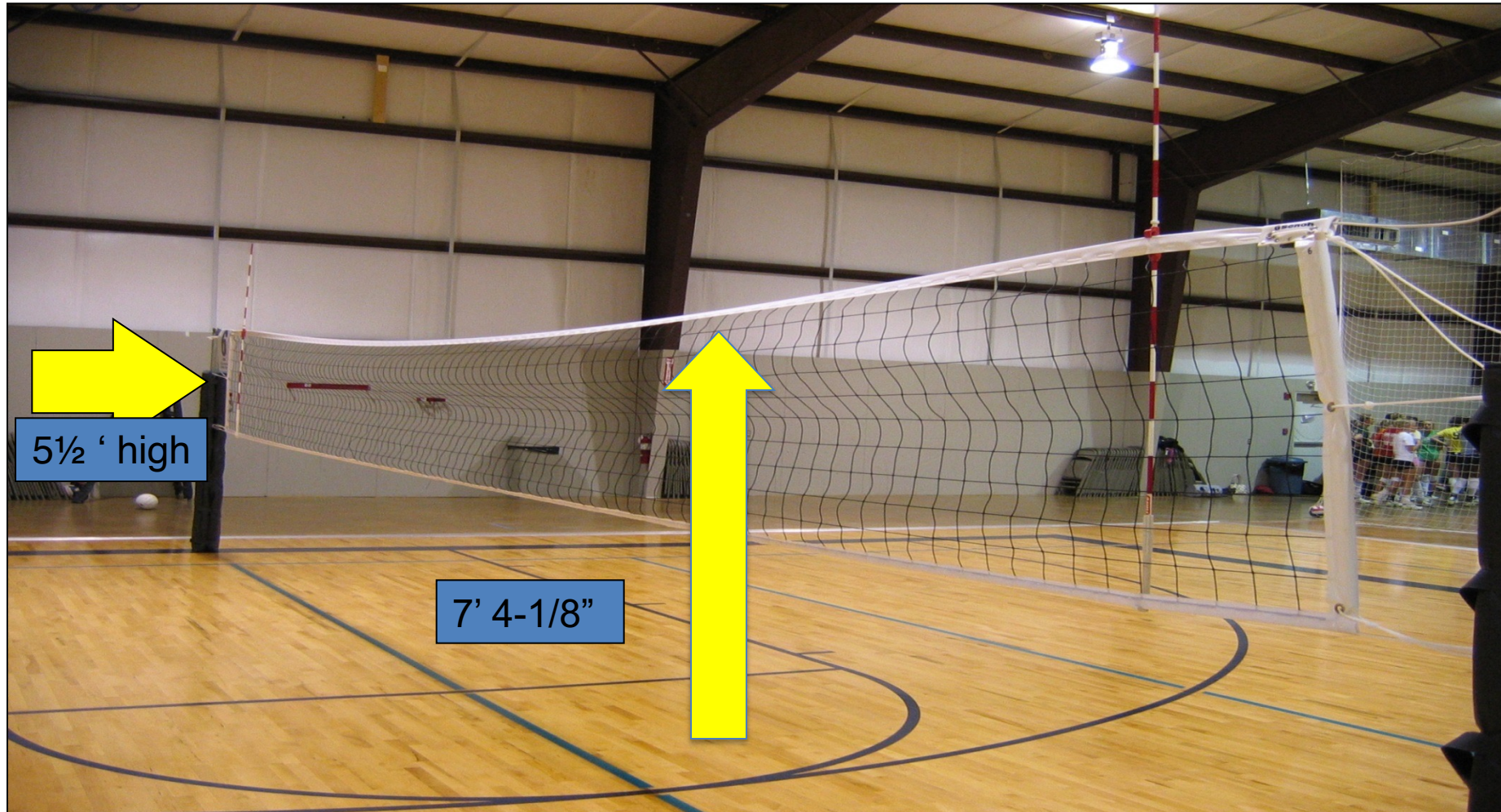
# Arrival at the Court

- **Walk in proudly and with a smile**
- **Place your official's bag behind the table as room allows**
- **Greet everyone at the table and introduce yourself**
- **Take out all the equipment you need to complete pre-match check (ball gauge, net chain, whistle, cards, etc.)**

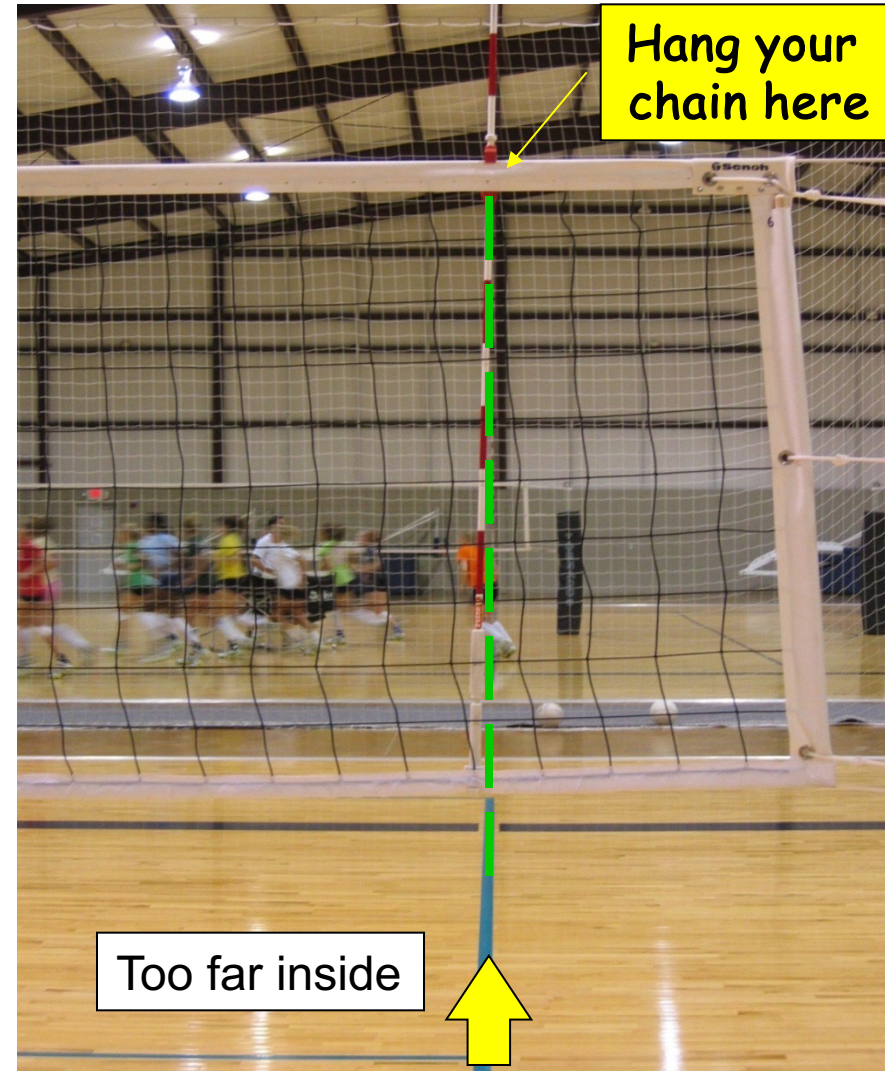
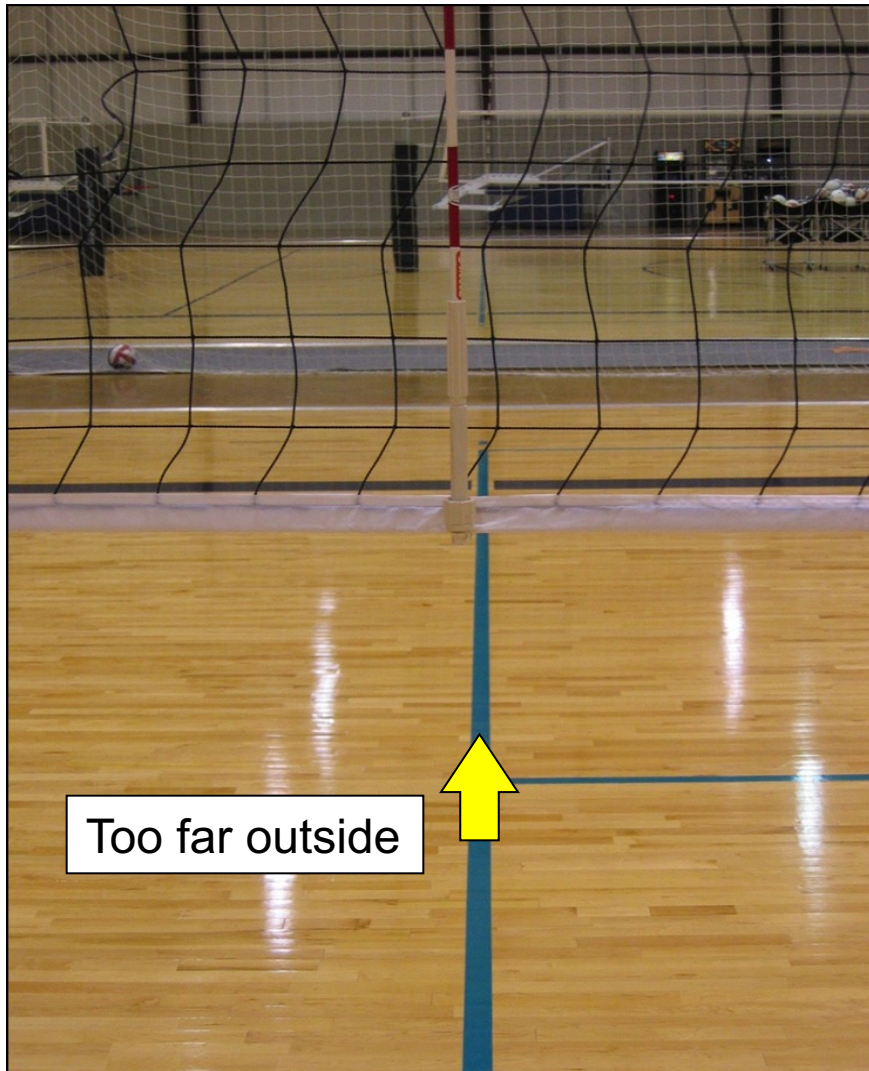
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- **Check the net height-use chain**
- **Antennas should line up the outside edge of the sideline (use your chain to line up antenna)**
- **Ball should rebound naturally out of the net**
- **Net supports are padded up to 5 ½' and tension devices are covered**
- **Check the ball pressure-4.3-4.6 psi**

# Check the Net, Standards and Referee Stand



# Don't Forget the Antenna



# Game Ball



**Legal**



**Legal**



**Illegal**

**Pressure: 4.3 – 4.6 psi**

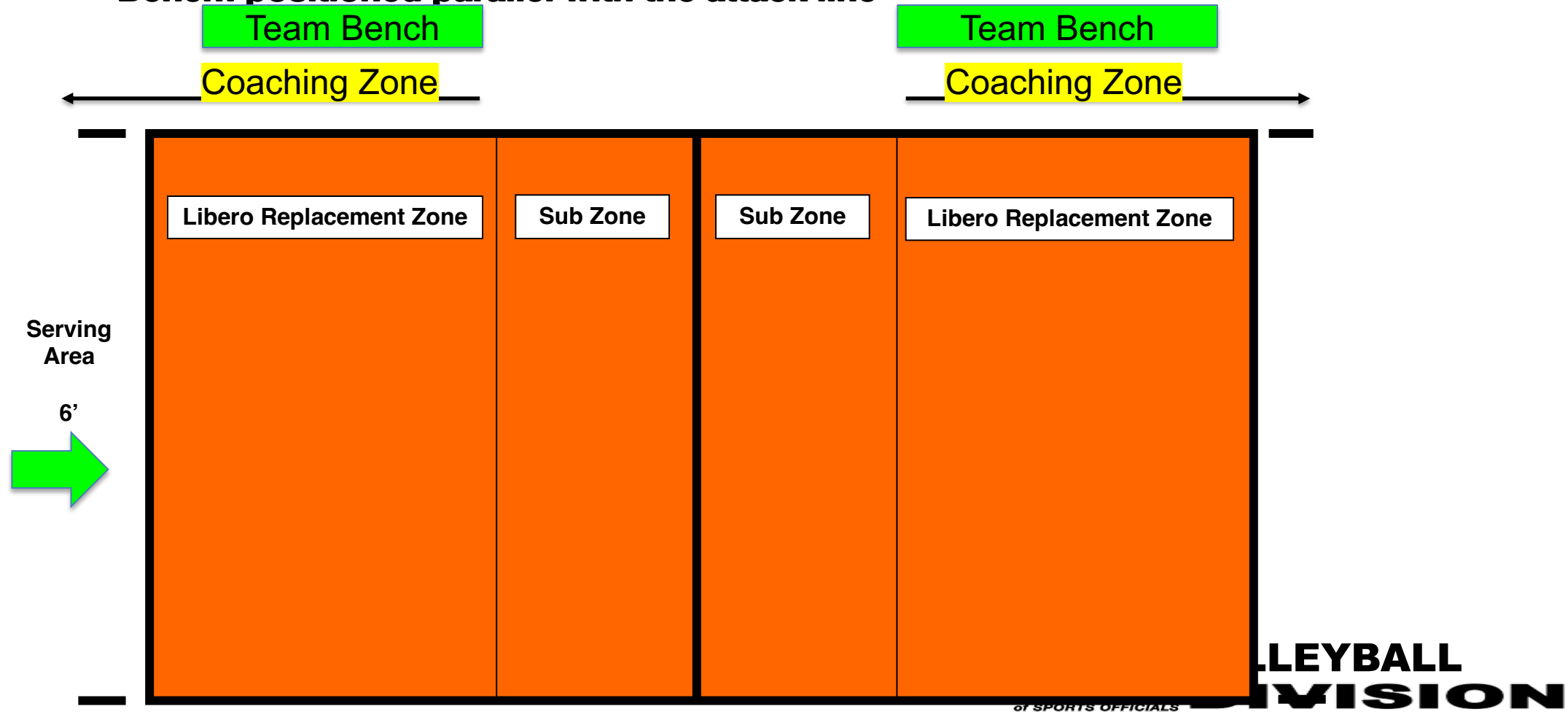
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- **Check out the court markings**
- **2” wide centerline-solid or shadow-bordered**
- **Referee stand is sturdy and padded up to 5’ ½”**
- **Verify location of team benches and official’s table**
- **Identify non-playable areas – include the ceiling**

# The Court

**Dimensions: 60' x 30'**

- **Sub zone: 10' from center line to attack line**
- **Libero Replacement zone: between the attack line and end line**
- **Service area: minimum of 6' beyond end line**
- **Bench: positioned parallel with the attack line**



# Pre-Match Conference

- **Officials, captains, and head coaches**
- **Collect team rosters**
- **Cover ground rules (i.e., non-playable areas, boundaries, overhead obstructions, change in surface, etc. as needed)**
- **Identify “speaking” captains who will call the toss**
- **Toss the coin, catch it, and present it without turning it over**
- **The winner of the toss decides to ‘serve’ or ‘receive’**
- **Report the results of the coin toss to the scorer**

# Pre-Match Duties

- **Check that all table personnel – scorer, timer, assistant scorer (tracker) are available**
- **Brief crew with R2 as needed– scorer, timer, assistant scorer**
- **Find the Host Administrator**

# Pre-Match Duties



# Warm-up Protocol

**Know what the protocol will be-**

- **Warm-up time is determined by the school, not the officials**
- **Will there be Introductions?**
- **Will the National Anthem be played?**
- **Is it Parent's Night?**

# As the Teams Warm-up

- **R1 meets with the line judges, gives them instruction and gives them assignment**
- **R2 meets with the table crew to ensure competence and preferences (i.e., does the R2 need to call out sub #s?)**
- **Maintain pleasant attitude, but avoid fraternization**

# Review Line Judge Responsibilities



# As the Teams Warm-up

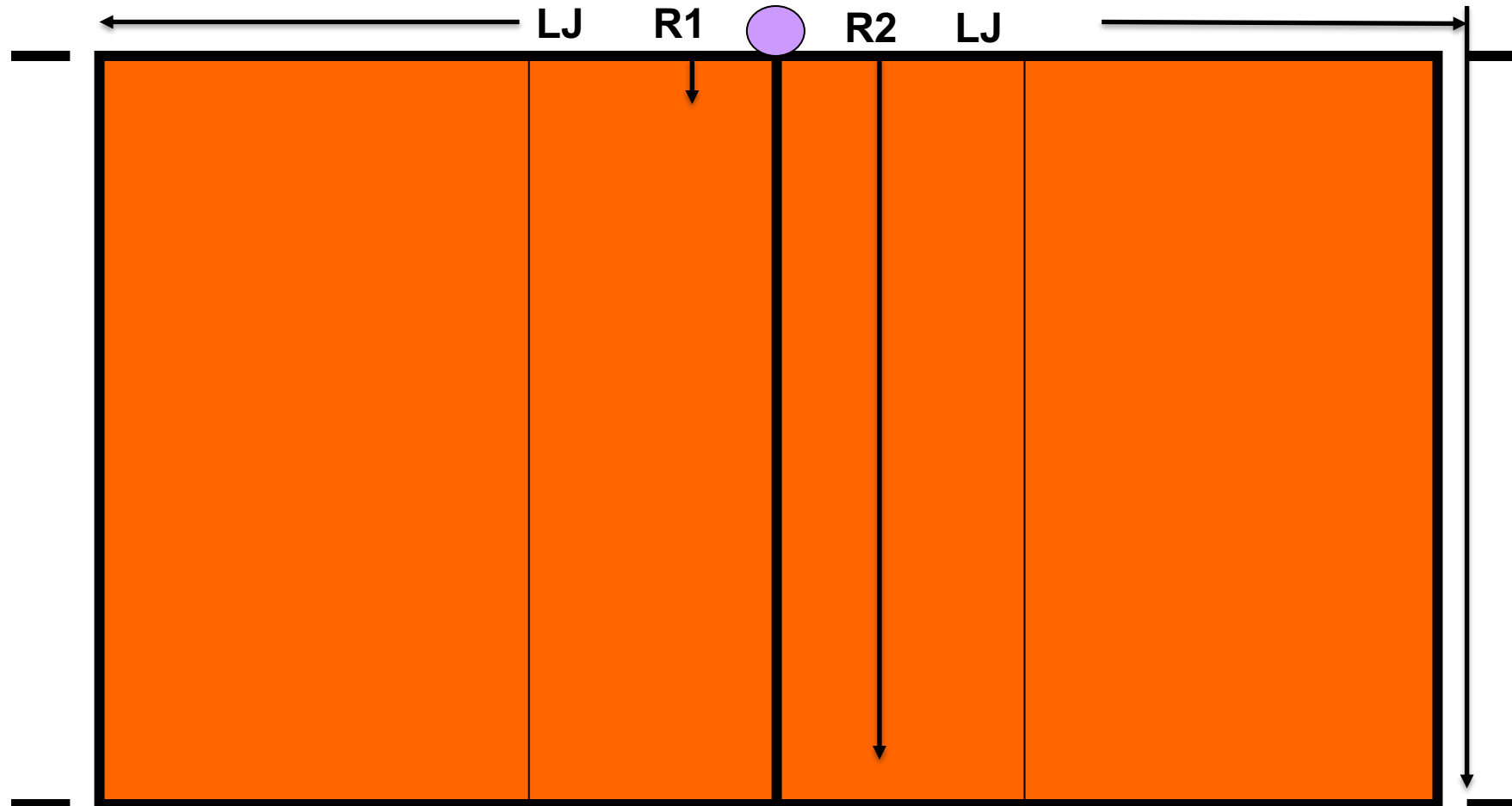
- **Meet with your co-official to make sure you are both on the same page**
- **Review eye contact at end of play, what to do if R1 waves you off, touch calls, R2-side antenna violations, and back-row play information**
- **Review handling coaching issues, bench control, subs and time out procedures, issuing cards, collecting lineup sheets, lineup card preparation, and crowd control**

# Introductions and National Anthem

**If introductions and National Anthem are used, plan ahead**

- **The R1, R2 and line judges should walk across the court opposite the official's table and line-up near the referee stand  
R1 and LJ on the left side of the net, and the R2 and LJ on the right**
- **After National Anthem and player introductions (and sometimes announcements), the R1 steps forward, whistles and signals for players to approach the net to shake hands.**
- **Officials then take their positions to begin the match**

# Introductions and National Anthem



BENCH

Official's Table

BENCH

# Pre-Match Complete

- **Some wonder why should you arrive at a volleyball match 30 minutes early?**
- **If you take care of the details, as protocol, it will take about 30 minutes to complete**
- **Why take a chance on leaving something undone?**
- **We have been at matches where it was the first time for a scorer to keep score, where the first ball hits an overhead beam near the fan's bleachers (so, was it in or out), where there were no attack lines, at a middle school match where the brand-new coach does not know how to fill out a lineup, and so on—get there early**

**T★SO**



**HAVE A  
GREAT SEASON**