

## USAV “Test Rule” Cases March 2018

### Case 1:

At the beginning of a set, the R2 checks the line-ups and does not catch that #1 is on the court instead of #11 for Team A. Team A serves two points. The score is now 2-0 in favor of Team A.

- (a) It is discovered before Team A serves for the third time that a wrong player for Team A is on the court, and has been since the start of the set. The score is still 2-0.
- (b) Team B wins the next rally and goes back to serve when it is discovered that a wrong player for Team A is on the court, and has been since the start of the set. The score is 2-1 in favor of Team A.
- (c) Team B wins the next rally. They rotate and serve two points. The score is now 3-2 in favor of Team B when it is discovered there is a wrong player for Team A on the court, and has been since the start of the set.

### Decision:

Ultimately, it is the team’s responsibility to have the correct players on the court according to the line-up sheet. The line-up check is a courtesy for the teams. We want to catch illegal players on the court if we can before starting the set.

- (a) Since the team at fault is still serving, take away both points that have been scored and give a loss of rally and point to Team B. The score is now 1-0 in favor of Team B and Team B is serving next.
- (b) Even though Team B just won the rally, they have not yet served the ball. So Team A loses both points that have been scored and Team B is serving next. Team B scored the point on the previous rally so no additional points are given. The score is 1-0 in favor of Team B with Team B serving next.
- (c) Since the illegal player for Team A was not caught until after Team B served, Team A keeps the two points they scored and Team B continues to serve. The score is 3-2 in favor of Team B.

In all cases, the line-up for Team A must be corrected to what is on the line-up sheet. #11 must enter the court in place of #1. Team A can then make a substitution request if they want #1 on the court instead of #11.

You may only go back to the last time the team at fault served. If Team A is currently serving, take away all points back to when they started that service round. A loss of rally and point goes to Team B and the line-up is corrected. If you cannot determine when the illegal player entered the set, only give a loss of rally to Team B and fix the line-up for Team A. Team B is serving next.

If points are taken away from the offending team, also cancel any time-outs taken by the team NOT at fault, as well as substitutions and team sanctions charged to either team. Individual misconduct sanctions assessed to either team, and time-outs taken by the team at fault are not cancelled.

### Case 2:

The score is 14-9 in favor of Team B. Team B substitutes #6 in for #8. #6 goes back and serves 3 points. The score is now 17-9 in favor of Team B.

- (a) Before #6 contacts the ball for the next serve, it is discovered that #6 already played in a different position during that set. The score is still 17-9.
- (b) Team A wins the next rally and goes back to serve when it is discovered that #6 already played in a different position during that set. The score is 17-10 in favor of Team B.
- (c) Team A wins the next rally. They rotate, serve and win the next two rallies (score two points). The score is now 17-12 in favor of Team B.

**Decision:**

Team B had an illegal substitution when #6 subbed into the game for #8 at 14-9.

- (a) Since the team at fault is currently serving, take away any points scored during this term of service. A Loss of Rally and Point goes to Team A. The score is now 14-10 in favor of Team B and Team A is serving.
- (b) Even though Team A won the previous rally, Team B still loses all points previously scored in the last service round. In this case, Team B loses three points. Since Team A just won the rally, they would not receive an additional point. The score is 14-10 in favor of Team B with Team A serving next.
- (c) Since the illegal sub is not discovered until after Team A serves, Team B keeps all points scored up to that point. Team A continues to serve with the score of 17-12 in favor of Team B.

In all cases, the illegal substitution must be corrected. #8 must return to the floor for #6. The substitution for Team B is removed from the score sheet. Think of it as it didn't happen.

You may only go back to the last time the team at fault was serving. If Team B is serving, or if Team A just received a side out, only take away points scored during Team B's most recent term of service. A Loss of Rally and Point goes to Team A. If Team A is currently serving, Team B retains all points scored up to that point. Team A continues serving. No additional points are given. If you cannot determine when the illegal sub entered the set, only give a loss of rally to Team A and fix the sub for Team B. Team A is serving next.

If points are taken away from the offending team, also cancel any time-outs taken by the team NOT at fault, as well as substitutions and team sanctions charged to either team. Individual misconduct sanctions assessed to either team, and time-outs taken by the team at fault are not cancelled.

**Case 3:**

During the match, Team A #7 goes back and serves 3 points. The score is now 12-8 in favor of Team A.

- (a) It is now discovered that #7 is the wrong server. It is currently 12-8 in favor of Team A.
- (b) Team B wins the next rally, and then it is discovered that Team A #7 was the wrong server. The current score is 12-9 in favor of Team A.
- (c) Team B wins the next rally and the correct server for Team B serves for 1 point. The current score is 12-10 in favor of Team A.

**Decision:**

Team A had a rotational fault. (wrong server)

- (a) Since the team at fault is still serving, any points scored by the wrong server are canceled. Give a Loss of Rally and point to Team B. The score is 9-9 with Team B serving next.
- (b) Even though Team B won the previous rally, Team A loses all points scored during the last service round. Since Team B won the previous rally, no additional points are given. The score is 9-9 with Team B serving next.
- (c) Since Team B served before the wrong server was discovered, all points scored by the team at fault are retained. Team B continues serving with the score 12-10 in favor of Team A.

In all cases, the line-up for Team A must be corrected. Put Team A in the correct rotation on the floor and continue.

You may only go back to the last time the team at fault served. If Team A is currently serving, or if Team B just got a side out, take away all points back to when they started that service round. A loss of rally and point goes to Team B and the line-up is corrected. If you cannot determine when the illegal player entered the set, only give a loss of rally to Team B and fix the line-up for Team A. Team B is serving next.

If points are taken away from the offending team, also cancel any time-out taken by the team NOT at fault, as well as substitutions and teams sanctions charged to either team. Individual misconduct sanctions assessed to either team, and time-outs taken by the team at fault are not cancelled.