

Top 9 Reasons to Play VOLLEYBALL

- **1.** Meet and mingle with 10,000 athletes and artists at the world's largest sporting event open to all
- 2. Be one of 800-plus volleyball players expected
- **3.** Play in the brand new Cleveland Convention Center
- 4. Compete at the last Gay Games in North America until at least 2022
- **5.** Participate in NAGVA-sanctioned event
- **6.** Rock out the Closing Ceremony at Rock and Roll Hall of Fame
- 7. Walk across the street to enjoy Festival Village fun
- **B.** Join the biggest LGBT sports party held every 4 years
- 9. Teach the sports world a lesson in inclusion on welcoming courts!

Register today! WWW.GG9CLE.com



Volleyball FAQ

When?

Games Week: 9-16 August 2014 **Volleyball:** 10-15 August 2014 between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Where? Cleveland Convention Center in downtown Cleveland, across from Festival Village

What about transportation?

Participants receive a public transportation pass and access to GG9-provided transportation, including shuttle service between Cleveland and Akron.

How many on a team?

Volleyball matches are played with 6 participants from each team on the floor.

How will the tournament be run?

Volleyball is a National Gay Volleyball Association-sanctioned event. The tournament is divided in two rounds: pool play and then double-elimination medal round. (Division-segregated pool play seeds double-elimination medal round.)

All preliminary matches are 45 minutes, begin with a score of 4-4 and are played to 25 points. There is a 27-point cap for all preliminary matches. If a tie exists at the time of expiration of a set, play continues until the next point is awarded.

Matches in the preliminary rounds are 2 sets to 25 points each or 45-minute time limit, whichever occurs first. Matches in the Double Elimination Round must be a 2-of-3 set according to Federation of Internationale de Volleyball standards. Rules of FIVB, modified by the latest rules and regulations of USA Volleyball, apply.

How does a team register?

The team captain registers the team through **GG9CLE.com/registration** by creating a Team Code that can be shared with all prospective teammates. A team member must use that code when he or she completes the general and volleyball registration process or return to the site later to add the team code.

General registration is \$195 per participant before 31 May 2014. Upon completion, each participant can register for a specific sport. The fee for volleyball is \$60 before 15 January 2014 and \$70 after that date.

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Divisions

OPEN (Men/Mixed)

- Top Competitive AA
- Competitive A
- Advanced BB
- Average B
- Recreational C
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Parameters: Participants competing in the senior division shall be at least 40 years old as of 9 August 2014. Recreational C is equivalent to NAGVA's B division.

Participants who have a player rating under North American Gay Volleyball Association (NAGVA) should indicate such a rating during registration.