

Handball Championships Service Rules

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Rules

1.0 General Rules

Court set-up with L1, L2 and L3 being players that are waiting in line for their turn.

K (1)	Q(2)
D (4)	J(3)

Play commences with the player in K position serving the ball (bouncing the ball from their square into another player's square). The rally then continues with the receiving player returning serve to any other player by striking the ball into their own square first and landing in another player's square thereafter. The play stops when a receiving player is unable to return a ball successfully.

The player who is unable to return a ball successfully then moves to the last placed position (Line 3 being the lowest possible place) and all other players move up one spot (where possible). See below for moving chart.

- Q to K
- J to Q
- L1 to J
- L2 to L1
- L3 to L2

A child is considered OUT if

- The ball in server's square bounces 2 times. (Server is out)
- A child hits a ball that was another child's square.
- A child (square owner) misses the ball.
- They break the rules.
- If the ball is held or scooped, the child who did it is out.

- And if the ball bounces out of bounds.

Line dispute matrix:

If the ball bounces on...	Then...
An outer line that clearly belongs to one player's square,	Play resumes as the ball is called as in.
An inner line that could belong to either of 2 or more players and nobody goes for the ball, or both players go for the ball,	The point is replayed.
An inner line that could belong to either of 2 or more players and one player only clearly goes for the ball,	Then play continues subject to all other rules.

1.1 Set Definition

A set is five (5) minutes of continuous play. Once the five (5) minutes is up, any rallies that are incomplete will be allowed to come to their natural conclusion, players will then move accordingly, and the set will be over.

1.2 Point Accumulation

Throughout a set, a player can accumulate points in 2 ways.

1.2.1 Winning Strike

A player will receive one (1) point for dealing the winning Strike in any play. A Strike is deemed to be a winning Strike where the receiving player is unable to return the ball (see above for list).

1.2.2 K Position Finish

A player will receive three (3) points for ending the set in K position.

1.3 Determining the winner of a set

The winner of a set is determined by the player with the greatest number of points accumulated within the allotted time period. Should any number of players return the same score, please refer to *Inter-Set Tiebreak* to determine a singular winner.

The winner of a set will be awarded one (1) set point.

1.3.1 Inter-set Tiebreak

1. The player with the greatest number of K Position Finishes.

If a winner cannot be determined with the above method then proceed to Step 2:

2. 1v1 Playoff

- a. A coin will be flipped to determine who serves first. The youngest player will call heads or tails prior to the coin being flipped.
- b. The players will then play a 'Best of 5' game (five [5] alternating serves), with the player who reaches 3 points first to be determined the winner.

1.4 Tie-break

If two (2) players have accumulated an equal number of sets, then the winner of the phase will be determined on the following:

1. The player with the greatest number of total points through the phase.
2. The player with the greatest number of K Position Finishes throughout the phase.

If a winner still cannot be determined with the above 2 methods then proceed to Step 3:

3. 1v1 Playoff

- a. A coin will be flipped to determine who serves first. The youngest player will call heads or tails prior to the coin being flipped.
- b. The players will then play a 'Best of 5' game (five [5] alternating serves), with the player who reaches 3 points first to be determined the winner.

2.0 Court Set Up & Allocation

Depending on the number of entrants at your service, the below table will outline the number of courts required and how many children are to compete per court.

# Entrants	#Courts	#per court
4	1	4
5	1	5
6	1	6
7	1	7
8	2	4
9	2	4 and 5
10	2	5
11	2	5 and 6
12	2	6
13	2	6 and 7
14	2	7
15	3	5
16	3	5, 5 and 6
17	3	5, 6 and 6
18	3	6
19	3	6, 6 and 7
20	3	6, 7 and 7

# Entrants	#Courts	#per court
43	7	6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 7
44	7	6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 7, 7
45	7	6, 6, 6, 6, 7, 7, 7
46	7	6, 6, 6, 7, 7, 7, 7
47	7	6, 6, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7
48	7	6, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7
49	7	7
50	8	6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 7, 7
51	8	6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 7, 7, 7
52	8	6, 6, 6, 6, 7, 7, 7, 7
53	8	6, 6, 6, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7
54	8	6, 6, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7
55	8	6, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7
56	8	7
57	9	6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 7, 7, 7
58	9	6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 7, 7, 7, 7
59	9	6, 6, 6, 6, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7

21	3	7
22	4	5, 5, 6, 6
23	4	5, 6, 6, 6
24	4	6
25	4	6, 6, 6, 7
26	4	6, 6, 7, 7
27	4	6, 7, 7, 7
28	4	7
29	5	6, 6, 6, 6, 5
30	5	6
31	5	6, 6, 6, 6, 7
32	5	6, 6, 6, 7, 7
33	5	6, 6, 7, 7, 7
34	5	6, 7, 7, 7, 7
35	5	7
36	6	6
37	6	6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 7
38	6	6, 6, 6, 6, 7, 7
39	6	6, 6, 6, 7, 7, 7
40	6	6, 6, 7, 7, 7, 7
41	6	6, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7
42	6	7

60	9	6, 6, 6, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7
61	9	6, 6, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7
62	9	6, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7
63	9	7
64	10	7, 7, 7, 7, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6
65	10	7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6
66	10	7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 6, 6, 6, 6
67	10	7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 6, 6, 6, 6
68	10	7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 6, 6, 6
69	10	7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 6, 6
70	10	7
71	11	7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6
72	11	7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6
73	11	7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6
74	11	7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 6, 6, 6, 6
75	11	7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 6, 6, 6
76	11	7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 6, 6
77	11	7
78	12	7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6
79	12	7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6
80	12	7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6
81	12	7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 6, 6, 6, 6

3.0 The Service Championship daily running

Each court will run as many sets as there are entrants assigned to that group/court.

The referee will take note of each player's starting position in Set 1 including: K, Q, J, D, 1st Line, 2nd Line, 3rd Line.

The 5 (five) minute set will commence with the player in K position serving the ball (bouncing the ball from their square into another player's square).

Points should be accumulated on the scoresheet throughout the set, as per section 1.2.

The next set will begin with all players moving clockwise from their previous set starting positions and play will continue.

This repeats until all players have started in each position once (one set to be completed per entrant at that court).

3.1 Determining the winner of the session and the total number of points they received.

The winner of the session will be the player who received the highest number of points at the conclusion of the final set.

Should there be multiple players with the same number of points, the Tie-break^{1.4} will be enacted to determine the winner.

3.2 Determining your service winner.

At the end of each session, you should have determined your session winner and recorded their total number of points, e.g.:

Day	Winner	# Points
Monday	John Swanston	74
Tuesday	Tiffany Elizabeth	63
Wednesday	Janice Queen	81
Thursday	Peter William	76
Friday	Stephanie King	79

Your service winner and the player going through to the finals, will be the session winner with the highest point total.

Should there be multiple players with the same number of points, the Tie-break^{1,4} will be enacted to determine the winner.