

# Shooting Volleyball

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# Camera Set Up

- Indoor Sport
- F/2.8 or F/4
- 125 Shutter Speed
- ISO 1600 - 3200
- Many gyms are poorly lit and can be hard to shoot.
- 70-100 mm lens



# Where To Stand

- You can stand behind the net judge and shoot towards the team.
- Or, you can shoot behind the other team and shoot through the net (more difficult)



# Length Of The Game

- Volleyball is not a timed game. The game is usually a series of matches.
- The play is usually a best of five matches series. First team to win three matches wins.
- 15 points is enough to win a match if the team is ahead by two points.
- Most best of matches last about one hour to 1 1/2 hours.



# Safety

- The biggest worry of photographers is getting hit by the ball.
- Volleyball moves slow enough that most photographers who are paying attention can get out of the way.



# Gotta Get 'Em Shots

- Volleyball can be boring if the teams are evenly matched defensively.
- Volleys can go on for a long time.
- Other matches can be decided very quickly by a team with good service and hitters.



# Backup Plan - aka Plan “B”

- Always get shots of runners digging, setting, hitting, serving and blocking.
- Don't forget players warming up, on the bench, coaches, etc.



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