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Volleyball Gear Guide

A practical checklist for arriving prepared, looking professional, and handling the assignment with confidence.

**THE
STANDARD**

Confirm every item against your state association, governing body, conference, and assigner requirements.

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Volleyball Assignment Checklist

Build your bag around reliability: the correct uniform, duplicate critical tools, comfort items, and protection for the conditions.

UNIFORM & PRESENTATION

- Approved white, blue, or association-specific polo
- Black or navy pants, belt if required, and polished athletic shoes
- Professional jacket or warm-up for arrival when required
- Solid socks and understated base layers

ESSENTIAL TOOLS

- Primary and backup whistle, approved lanyard
- Coin, lineup card holder, cards, pen/pencil
- Timing device for pregame duties if assigned
- Rulebook or digital reference for pre-match preparation

SMART BAG EXTRAS

- Small towel, mints, water, spare shirt, socks, and whistle
- Comfortable shoes with stable platform support
- Portable clipboard for tournament or scorer-table work

Pack, Inspect, Perform

WHEN	WHAT TO DO
48-24 HOURS	Confirm venue, level, crew, uniform, arrival time, parking, payment process, and special instructions.
NIGHT BEFORE	Lay out the complete uniform. Charge devices. Test whistles/timers. Check weather and travel time.
ON ARRIVAL	Change or finish dressing privately. Inspect equipment. Meet the crew. Complete the required pregame.
AFTER GAME	Record game details, clean and dry gear, replace used supplies, and note anything needed before the next assignment.

AVOID THESE MISTAKES

- Shoes that squeak excessively or lack stability
- Visible phone use courtside
- Forgetting a backup whistle during tournaments

Starter Budget Strategy

PRIORITY	BUY FIRST	UPGRADE LATER
1	Required uniform and footwear	Second full uniform set
2	Required tools and protection	Premium bag/organizer
3	Backup whistle/timer and basics	Weather-specific duplicates

Important: This guide provides general preparation recommendations, not a universal uniform rule. Requirements vary by sport, season, level, state, conference, and governing body.