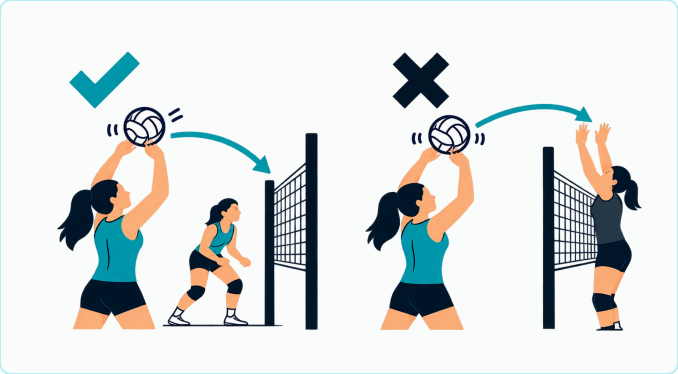
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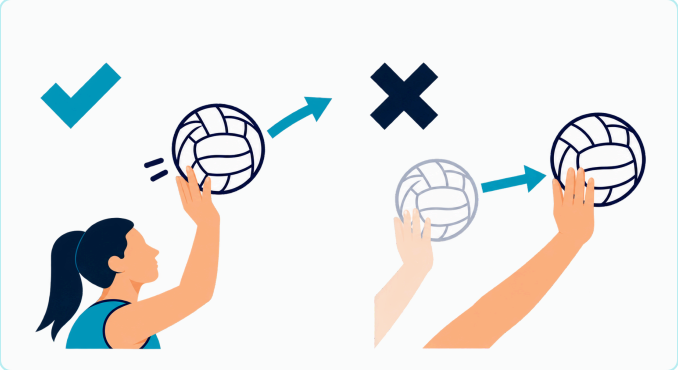
1 Double contacts on the second touch

On your team's second touch, a double touch is OK if you use your fingers, do it in one motion, and the ball stays on your side.

ALLOWED A setter's fingers touch the ball twice on a bad pass, and the ball stays on your side.

FAULT The double touch sends the ball over the net or onto the opponent's block.

Double touch is OK on your side. Not over the net.



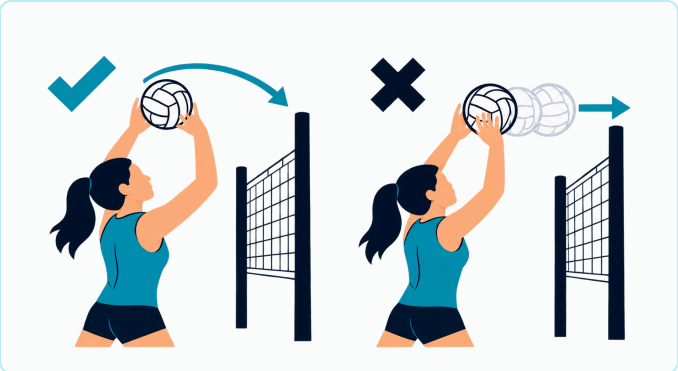
2 Tip attacks

Tip with the fingers of one hand, with a quick touch, in a straight line.

ALLOWED A quick one-hand tip over the block.

FAULT Your hand follows the ball, or you scoop, push or throw it.

Tip it, don't guide it.



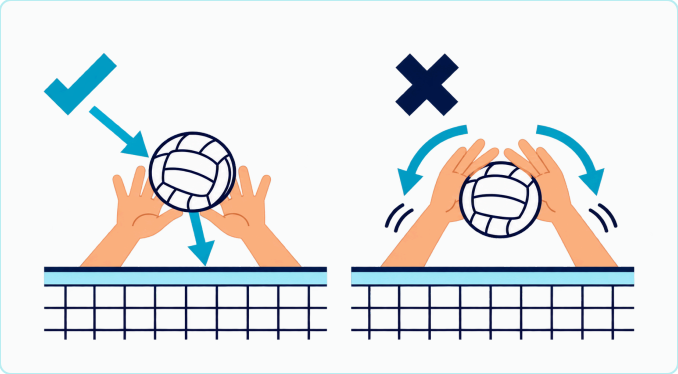
3 Two-handed attacks

You can't push or throw the ball over the net with two hands on purpose.

ALLOWED A normal overhead pass over the net with clean fingers.

FAULT Both hands push the ball over the net as an attack.

Pass with your fingers. Never push with two hands.



4 Blocking

Let the ball bounce off your hands.

ALLOWED The ball hits your hands and bounces off.

FAULT The ball lands on your hands and you hold it, push it, throw it or follow it.

Block it, don't play with it.

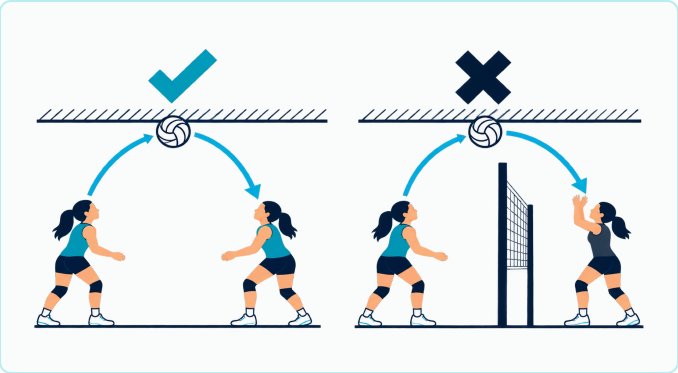


5 Blocking after a block

If the ball comes back off the other team's block, you can block it again.

ALLOWED The opponent blocks your attack, the ball comes back toward you, and you block it.

Their block bounces it back? Block it again.



6 Ceiling contacts

The ceiling is no longer automatically out. If the ball hits the ceiling and stays on your side, play on.

ALLOWED The ball hits the ceiling on your first or second touch, drops on your side, and you play it.

FAULT The ball hits the ceiling and drops on the other team's side, or hits something outside the playing area.

Stays on your side? Play it.

Source: Volleyball Canada 2026-27 Rule Change Summary. Most items are updated interpretations of existing rules.