



THE LIBERO

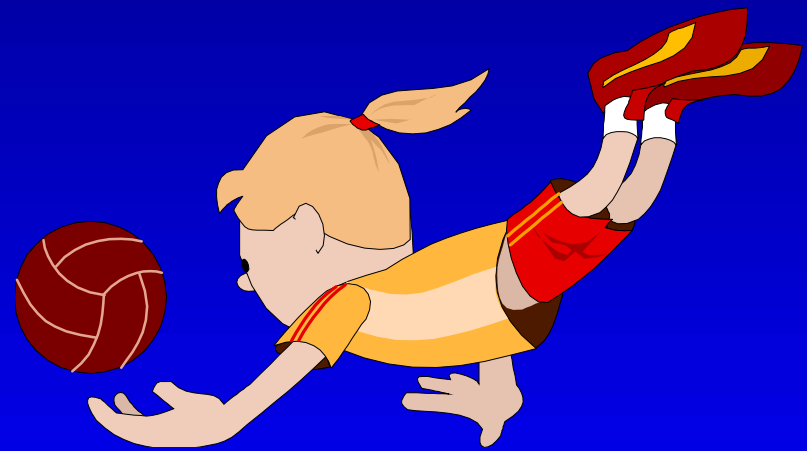
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Version 10.0 Changes

- Added this slide to list all changes made from version to version
- Added the 2007 rule change to slides # 3 and # 22
- Added the 2007 rule change to slide # 16 that allows the libero to serve in one position in the serving order
- Completely revised the entire presentation so it now follows the rule book

The Libero

- Pronounced:
lee-bear-o (correct)
Li-bear-o (also correct)
- From the Italian word for
“free”
- 2007 rule change, the
libero can serve in one
position in the serving
order



Rule 4 Section 2 Legal Uniform Article 2

- The libero must wear a uniform top that is immediately recognized from all angles as being in clear contrast to and distinct from the other members of the team.
- The primary color of the libero's uniform top must be different from any color that appears on more than 25% of the body of teammates' uniform tops.



Libero Uniform

- In determining the body of the uniforms, the sleeves and collar should be ignored.
- The libero uniform must have a legal number.
- The style and trim of the libero's uniform top may differ from her teammates' but, the shorts must be like-colored to teammates.

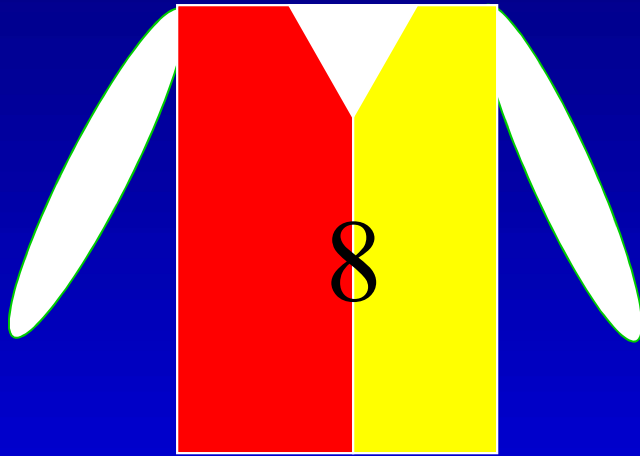
Libero Uniform



In determining the body of the uniforms, the sleeves and collar (in white) should be ignored.

On this team all other players jerseys are white, the body of this uniform is green, so this is a legal libero jersey.

Libero Uniform



Libero jersey

In determining the body of the uniforms, the sleeves and collar should be ignored

On this team, if all other player jerseys are either all red or all yellow, or if 25 % or more of the team jerseys are red or yellow, this IS NOT a legal libero jersey, any color except red or yellow would be legal.

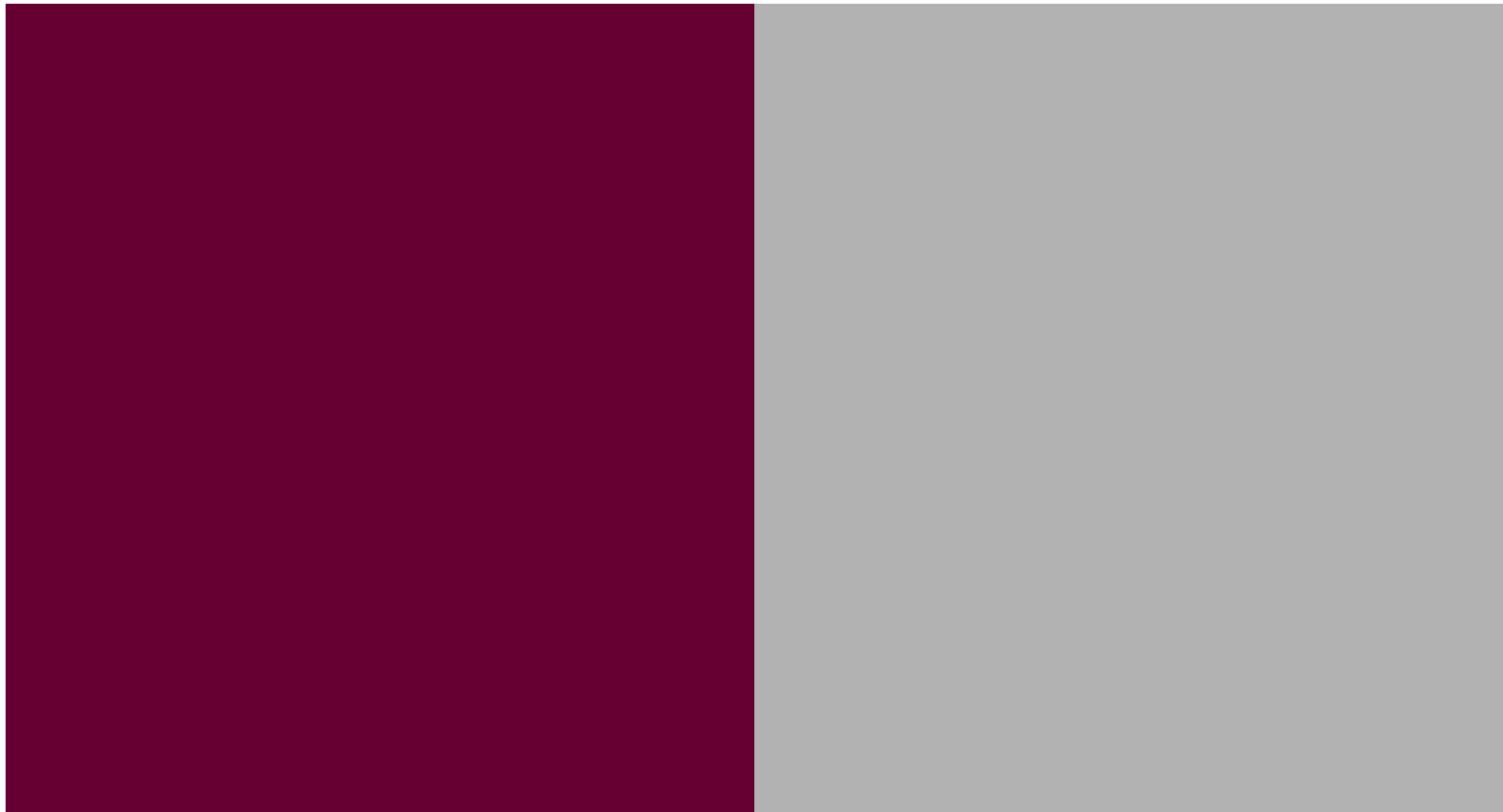
Libero Uniform



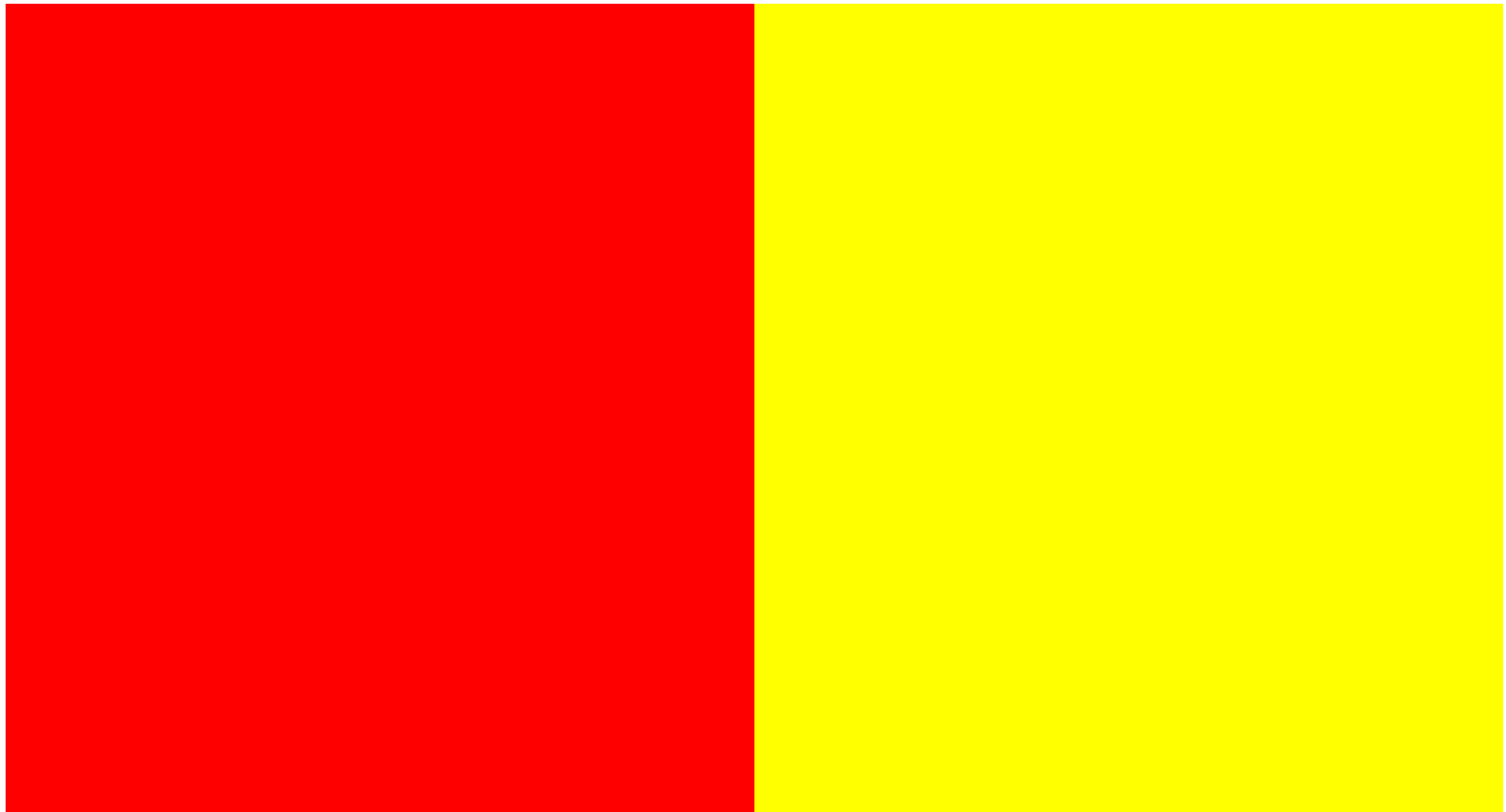
In determining the body of the uniforms, the sleeves and collar should be ignored

This is a team jersey, it is 25% green and 75% yellow, the back is all yellow. Therefore the libero jersey **CANNOT** be green or yellow, no matter what percentage of the libero jersey is green or yellow.

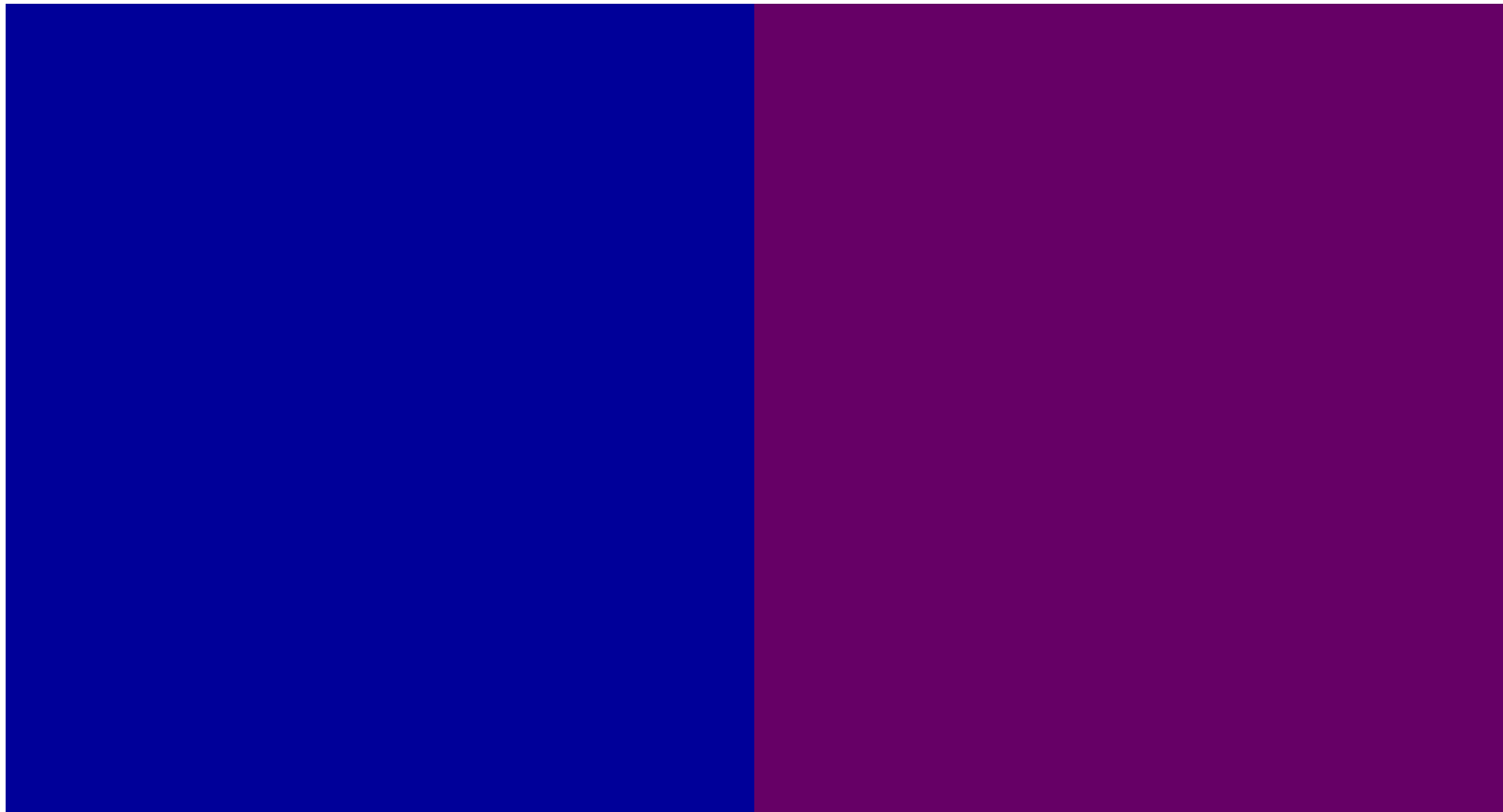
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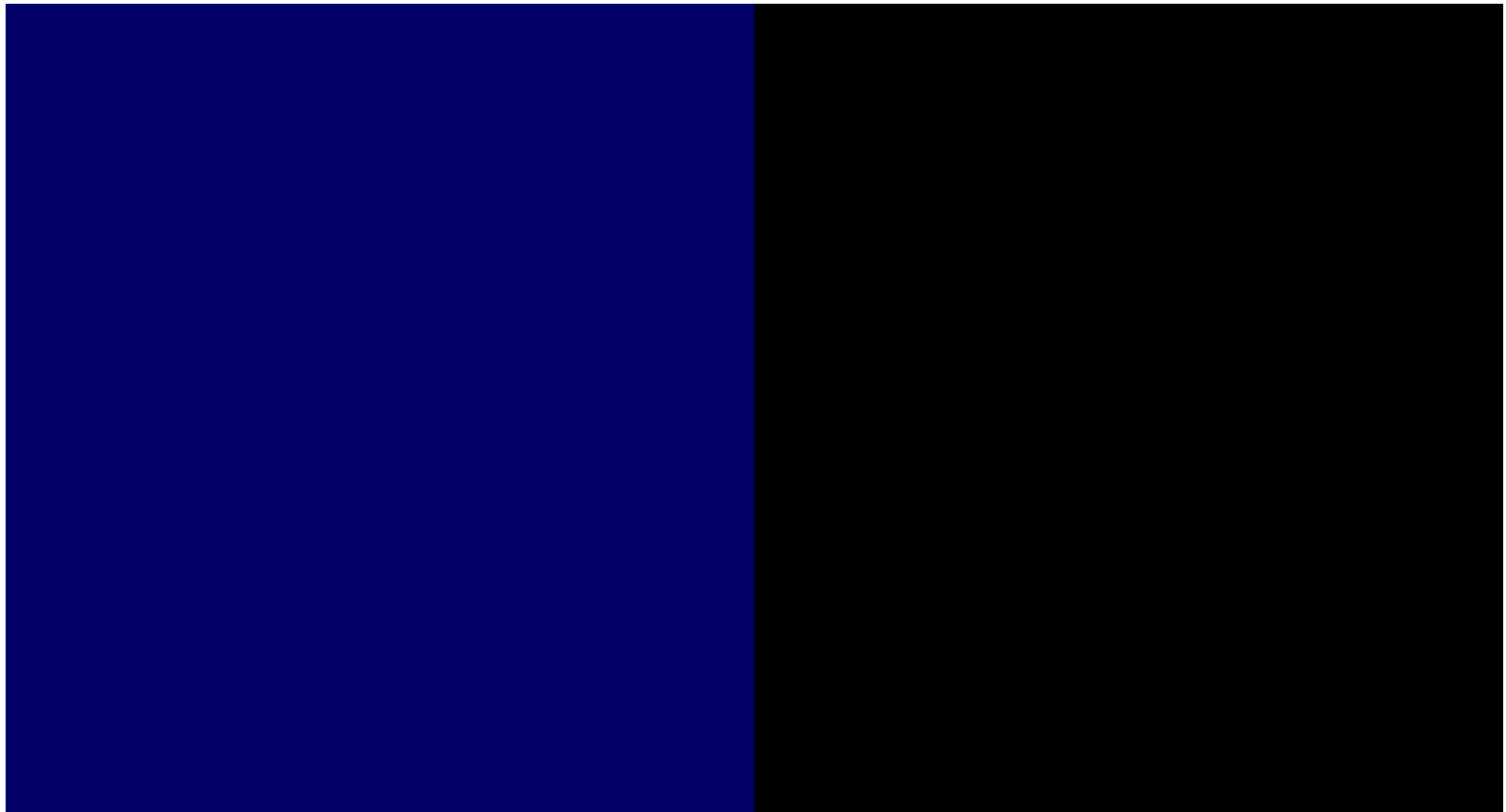
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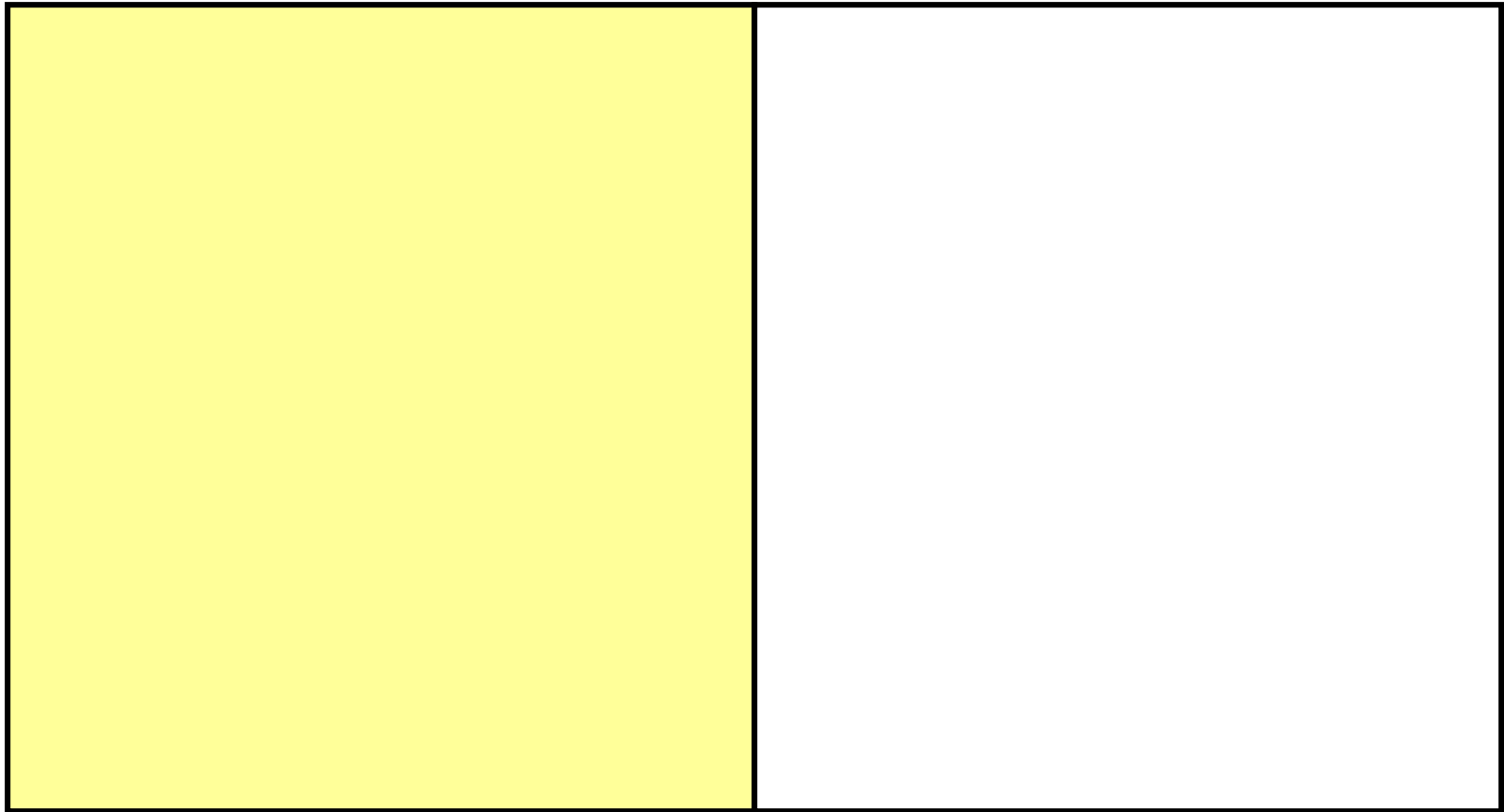
Not Contrasting



Not Contrasting



Not Contrasting









Rule 6-3-2

The libero is a back-row player who is a defensive specialist . Only one libero may be designated per game. The libero when used:

- a. Must be designated on the lineup sheet prior to each game.
- b. May be the team captain.
- c. May be used as an exceptional substitution for an injured player if no other legal subs are available.
- d. Shall not replace a disqualified teammate.
- e. Shall be allowed to serve in one position in the serving order.

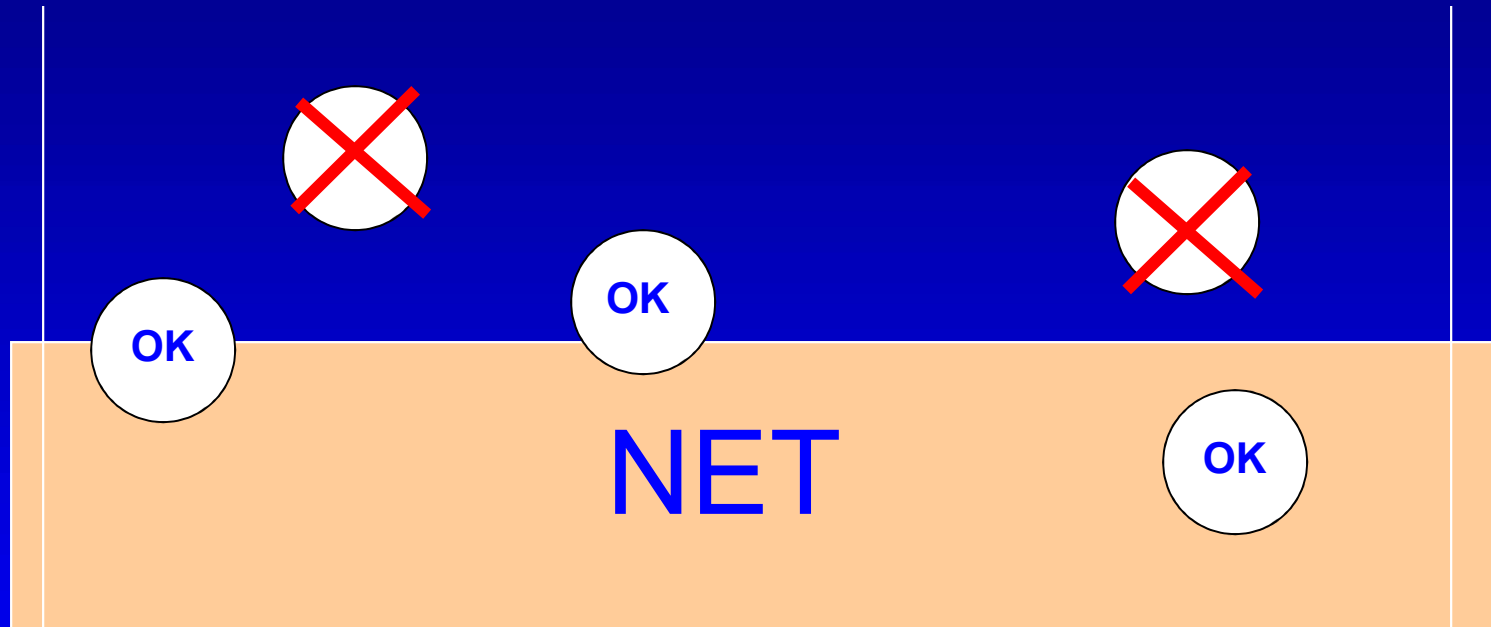
Rule 9 - 5 - 6

A libero shall not:

- a. Complete an attack from anywhere, if at the moment of contact, the ball is entirely above the height of the net, Situation 1 – 3.**
- b. Set the ball using overhand finger action while on or in front of the attack line extended, resulting in a completed attack above the height of the net, Situation 4.**
- c. Block or attempt to block.**
- d. Rotate to the front row.**

Libero Situation - 1

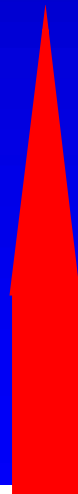
Libero attack contact with the ball



9-5-6 a. A libero shall not complete an attack from anywhere if, at the moment of contact, the ball is entirely above the height of the net.

Libero Situation - 2

Libero attacks the ball to the other court from anywhere on the court and she contacts the ball above the top of the net



LIBERO

It only matters WHERE the libero contacts the ball

WHISTLE

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ATTACK

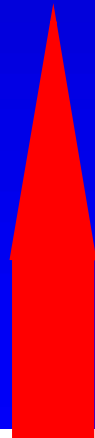
SIGNAL # 8

It DOES NOT matter where the libero is on the court

Libero Situation - 3

Libero attacks the ball to the other court from anywhere on the court and she contacts the ball below the top of the net

LIBERO



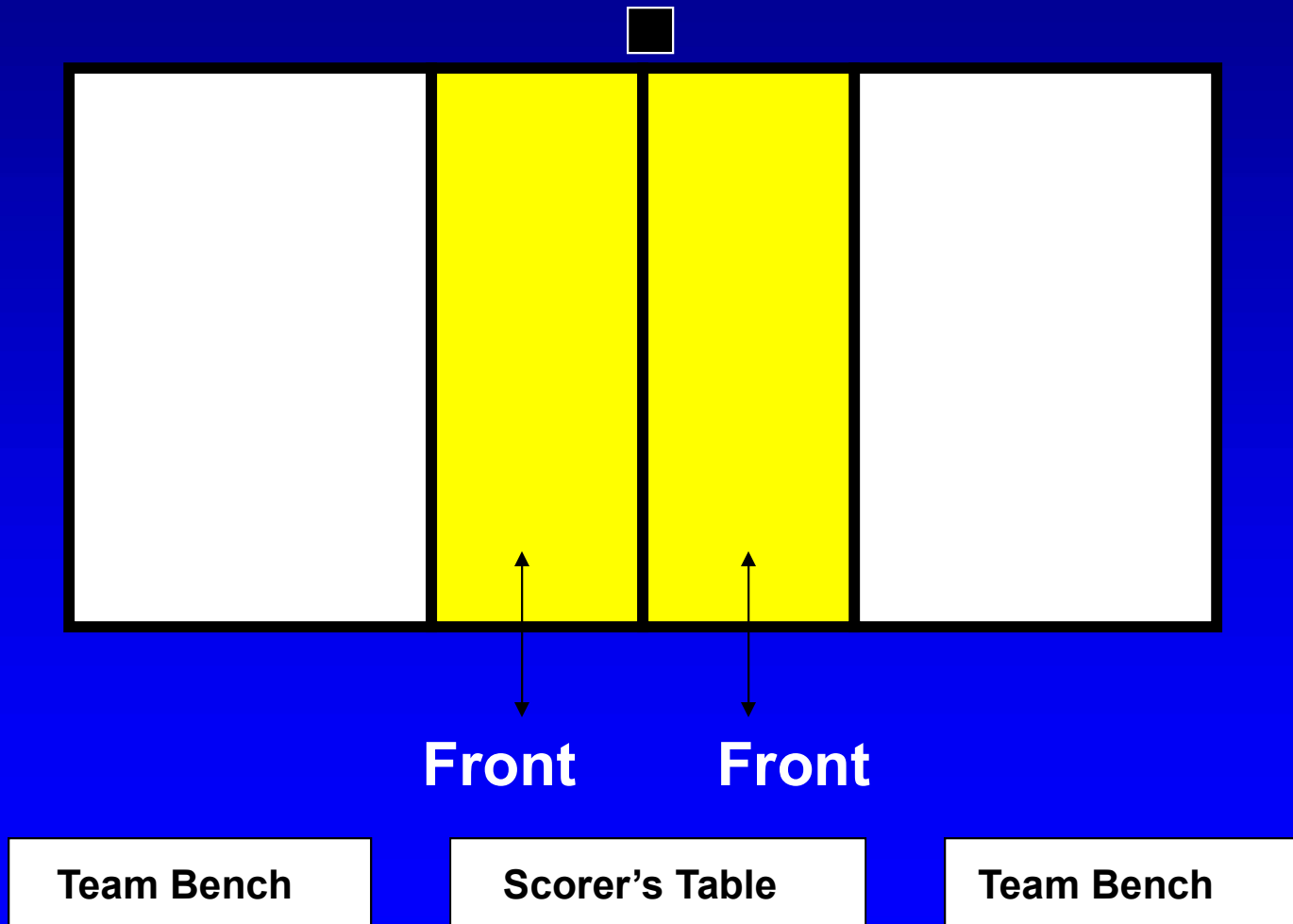
It only matters WHERE the libero contacts the ball

LEGAL

PLAY ON

It DOES NOT matter where the libero is on the court

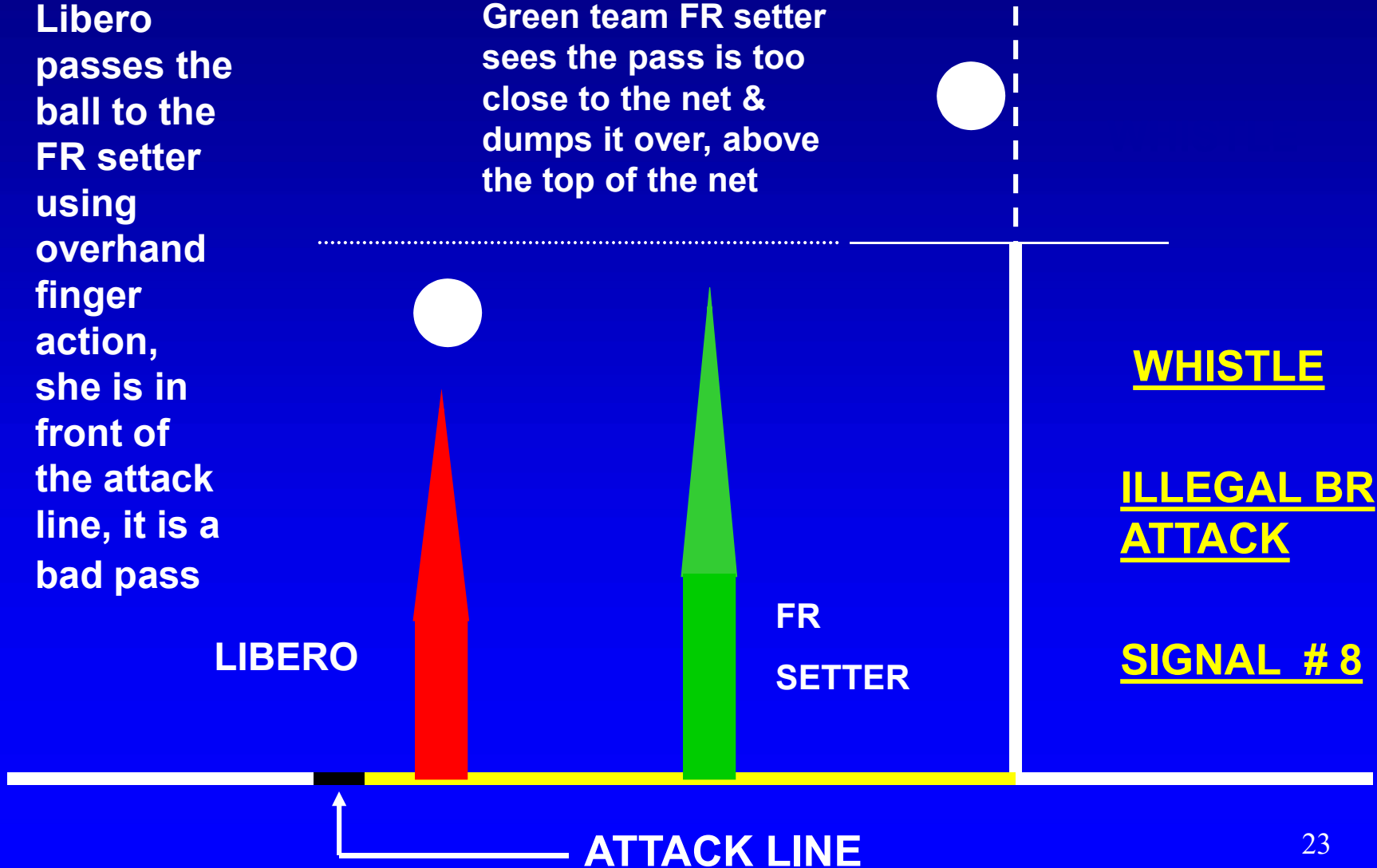
The libero cannot set the ball with overhand finger action while in front of the attack line for an attack above the top of the net. One foot on the attack line makes her in the front zone.



Libero Situation - 4

Libero passes the ball to the FR setter using overhand finger action, she is in front of the attack line, it is a bad pass

Green team FR setter sees the pass is too close to the net & dumps it over, above the top of the net



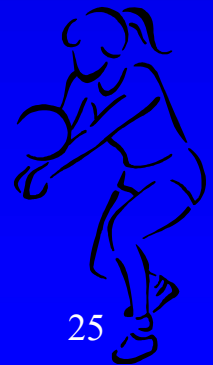
Libero Situation - 4

- In the previous situation, when the libero is in front of the attack line.
- It **DOES NOT** matter **WHERE** the Libero contacts the ball (above or below the top of the net).
- It only matters **HOW** they contact the ball, restrictions **ONLY** apply if the Libero contacts the ball using overhead finger action.

Rule 10 - 4 Libero Replacement

ARTICLE 1

- a. The libero designated on the lineup for that game is allowed to replace any player in a back-row position. The libero may only serve in one position in the service order.
- b. The libero may only be replaced by the player he/she replaced.
- c. One libero replacement may be exercised per dead ball unless the libero is replacing the player in the right back position and will serve next in the rally.



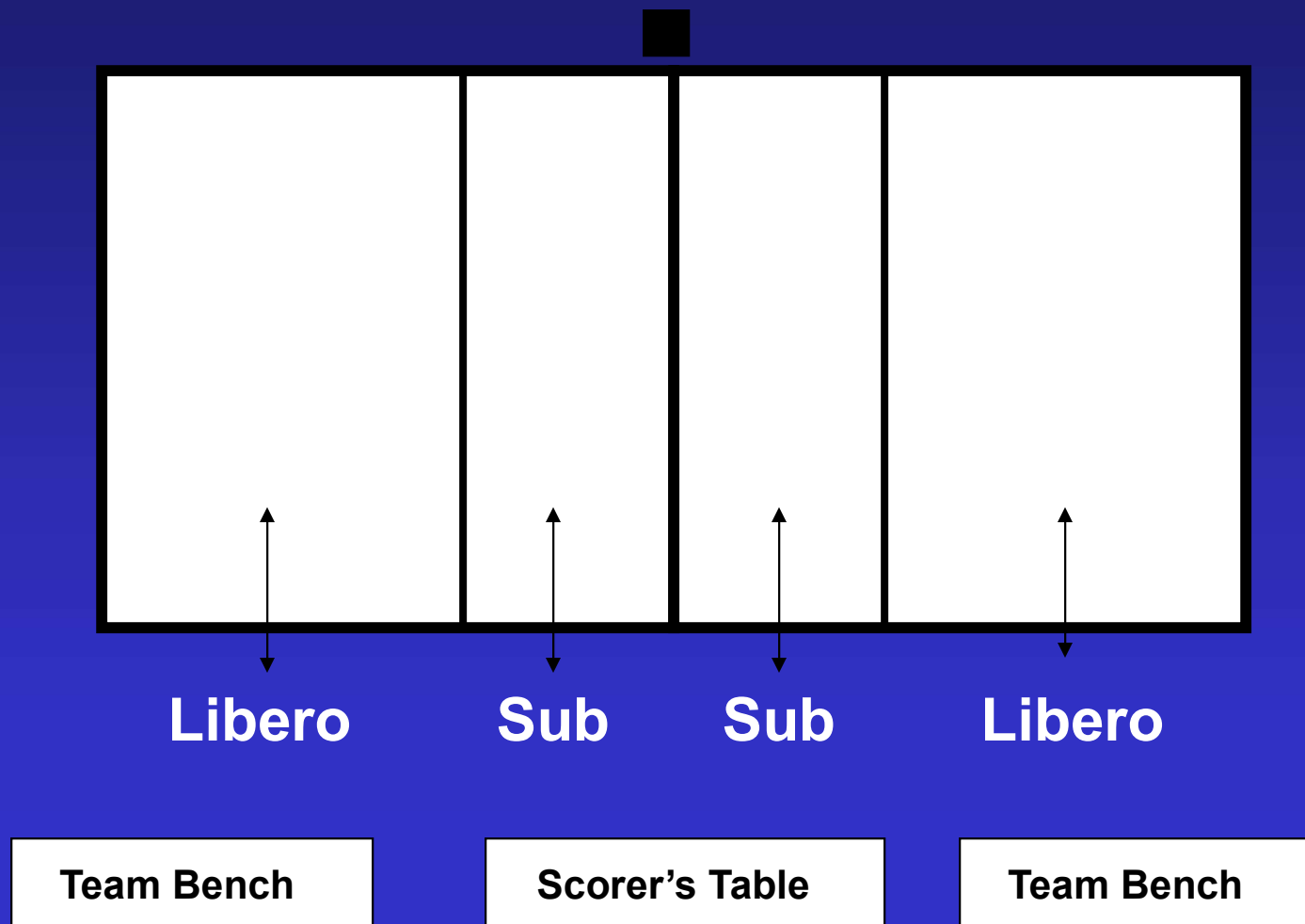
Rule 10 - 4 Libero Replacement

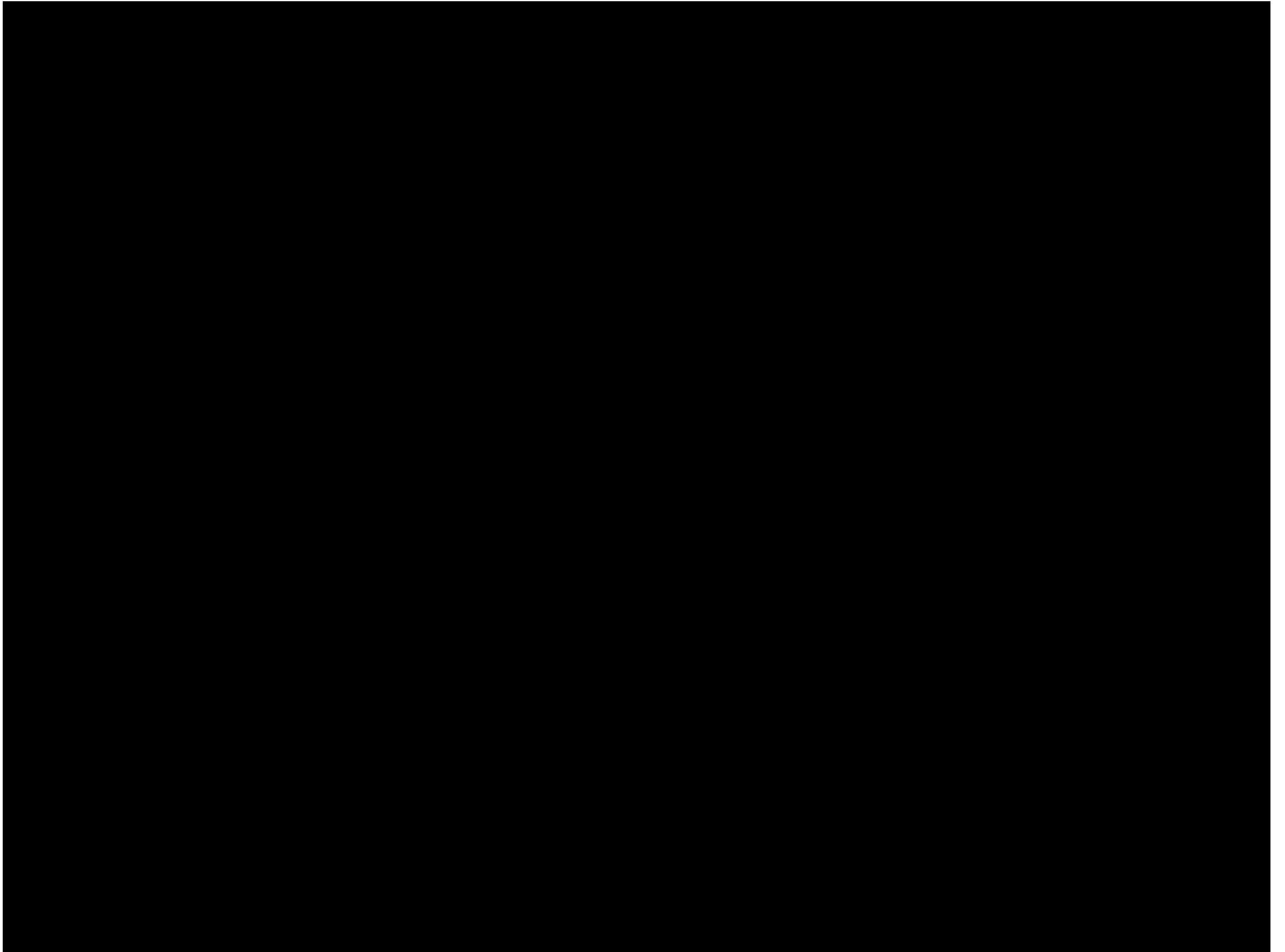
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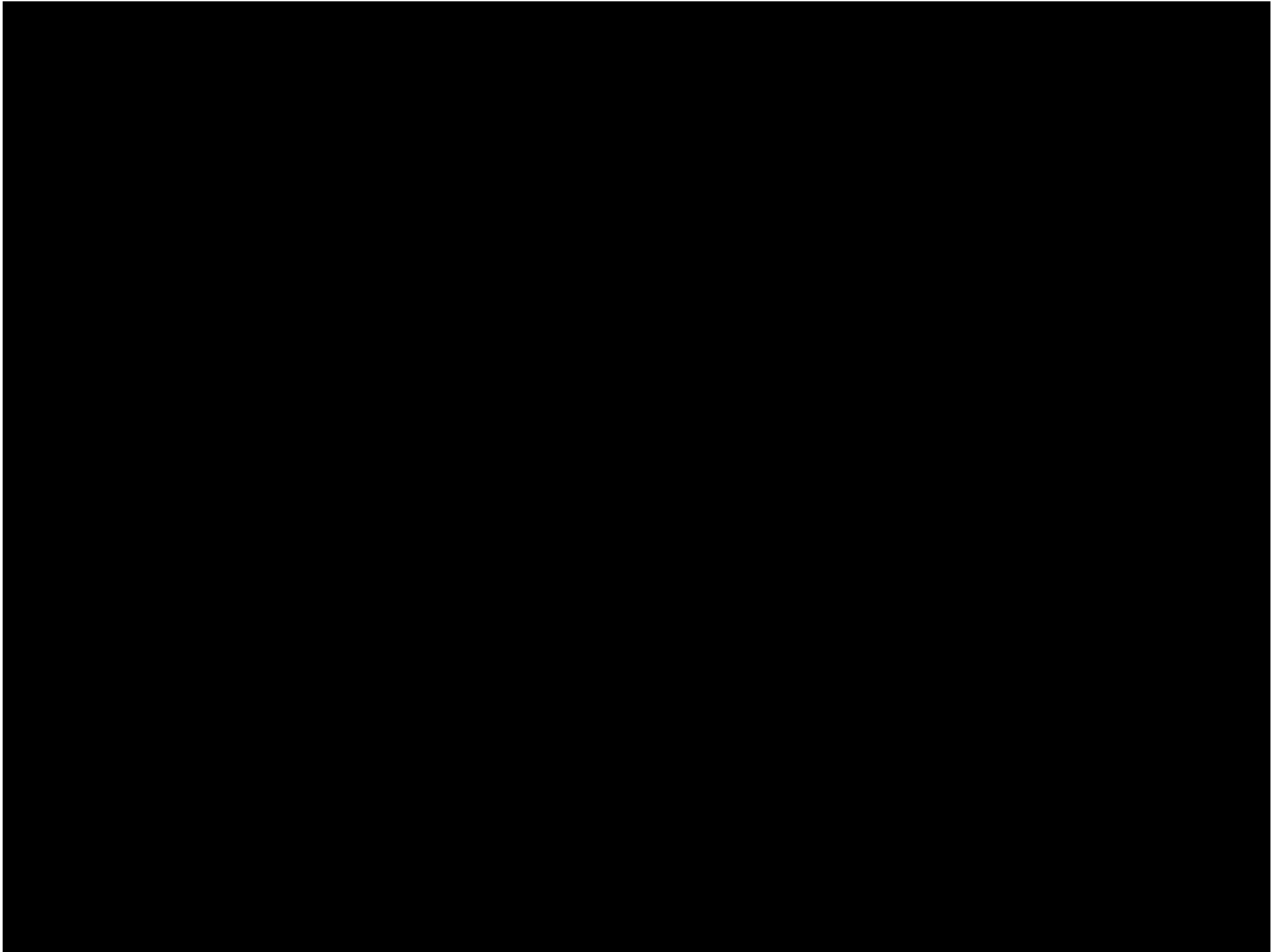
- d. Libero replacements do not count as substitutions and are unlimited.
- e. A libero replacement must take place between the attack line and the end-line in front of that team's bench.
- f. A libero replacement must be completed during a dead ball prior to the whistle and signal for serve.



Zone for Libero Replacements







Rule 10 - 4 - 4
Libero
Resignations
and Disqualifications

10 - 4 - 4 a. Injury Substitution

If the libero is injured and cannot continue play, he/she must first be replaced by the player whom he/she replaced . A new libero may then be redesignated using the following criteria:

Rule 10 - 4 - 4

Libero Redesignations

and Disqualifications

- 1. Redesignation does not need to occur immediately after the injury and replacement, but may occur at the discretion of the coach(es).**
- 2. Any substitute may be designated as libero for the injured libero. The injured libero may not play in the remainder of that game.**
- 3. The player redesignated as the libero must wear a libero uniform and must remain the libero for the remainder of the game. The redesignated libero's uniform must have a unique number (not worn by any teammate).**

Injured Libero Redesignation

- The designated libero # 2 gets injured
- The player she replaced # 12 comes in right away
- The new libero jersey is # 99, no other player has this number and it is not on the roster
- The coach wants # 51 to be the new libero
- # 51 can go to the locker room and put on the # 99 libero jersey and then enter the match
- Because this is an injured libero replacement, # 51 can wear a libero jersey with a # different from her regular jersey #, with no penalty, add # 99

Injured Libero Clarifications

- If a team has only 1 libero jersey, it IS NOT legal for different players to use that same jersey with the same number from game to game.
- Again if a team has only 1 libero jersey, and the libero gets injured, it IS NOT legal for the libero to swap jerseys with another player so she can be the new libero.

Rule 10 - 4 - 4 b. **Exceptional Substitution**

The libero may be used as an exceptional substitution for another injured player if no other possible substitute exists. When no longer playing as a libero, that player must wear the same uniform as the teammates and the team continues play with no libero.

Rule 10 – 4 – 4 c.
Disqualification Substitution

The libero may not be used as a substitute for an expelled or disqualified teammate.

Rule 10 - 4 - 4 d.
Libero Disqualification

If the libero is disqualified while playing, he/she must be replaced by the player whom he/she replaced.

The team continues play with no libero player.

Rule 10 - 4 - 5, A Libero **Replacement is illegal when**

- a. The libero or the replacement is in the game without following the required replacement procedure.**
- b. The libero or replacement is not listed on the roster.**
- c. A libero other than the libero designated on the lineup for that game replaces a player on the floor.**

Penalty for Illegal Libero

Replacement

Rule 10-4 Penalties

- 1. Unnecessary delay is charged to the offending team when an illegal libero replacement takes place prior to the whistle/signal for serve. If identified after whistle/signal for serve, illegal alignment results (loss of rally/point). In all cases, the illegal libero must enter legally or be replaced by a legal player.**
- 2. For the serving team, any points known to have been scored during a term of service in which an illegal libero is discovered in the game, shall be cancelled.**

Penalty for Illegal Libero

Replacement

Rule 10-4 Penalties

- 3. For the receiving team prior to the contact of the serve by the opposing team, all points earned during the previous term of service by the violating team while the illegal libero was in the game, shall be cancelled.**
- 4. After the score has alternated and the first serve is contacted, there shall be no cancellation of points.**

Rule 10 - 4 - 6

Libero Serving

- a. The libero will be allowed to serve in one position in the rotation.**
- b. When serving, the libero would not be required to leave the playing area or be out of the game for one rally/dead ball before replacing the incoming player in the right back position.**

***ASSISTANT
SCOREKEEPER
DUTIES***

***THE
LIBERO
TRACKER***

Assistant Scorekeeper **(Libero Tracker)**

- **An individual other than the scorekeeper must be provided to track the libero replacements, this could be the timer.**
- **Their first duty is to ensure that once the libero is replaced, at least one rally (live ball & dead ball) takes place before the libero replaces another player.**

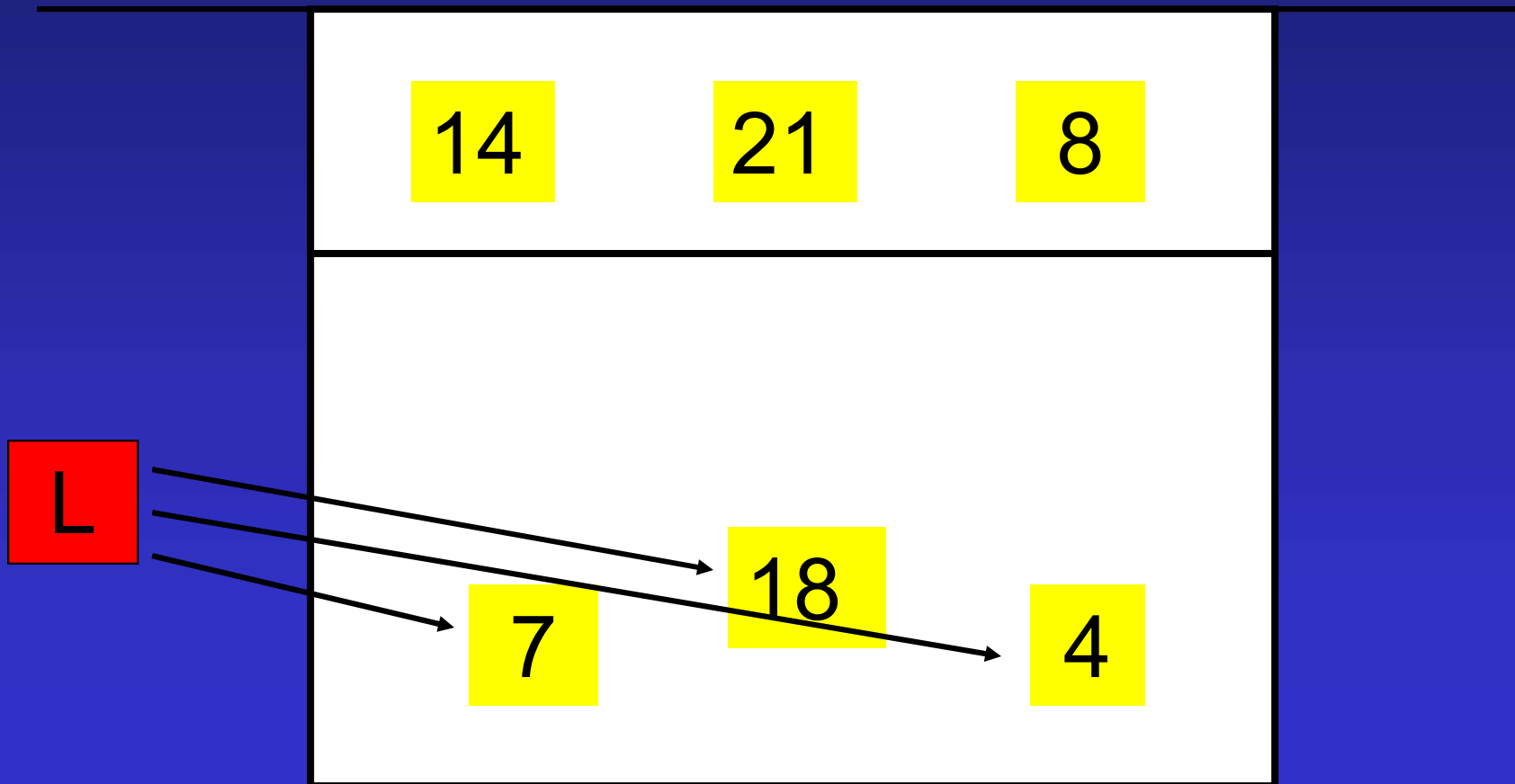
Assistant Scorekeeper (Liberio Tracker)

Their second duty is to ensure that, when leaving the court, the libero is replaced by the same player that she replaced when she entered the game.



The Libero can sub for any back row player

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Libero Tracking

At this point in the presentation if you will get out a libero tracking sheet and fill it in as each slide is presented this will give you practice in libero tracking.

Entering Player Numbers

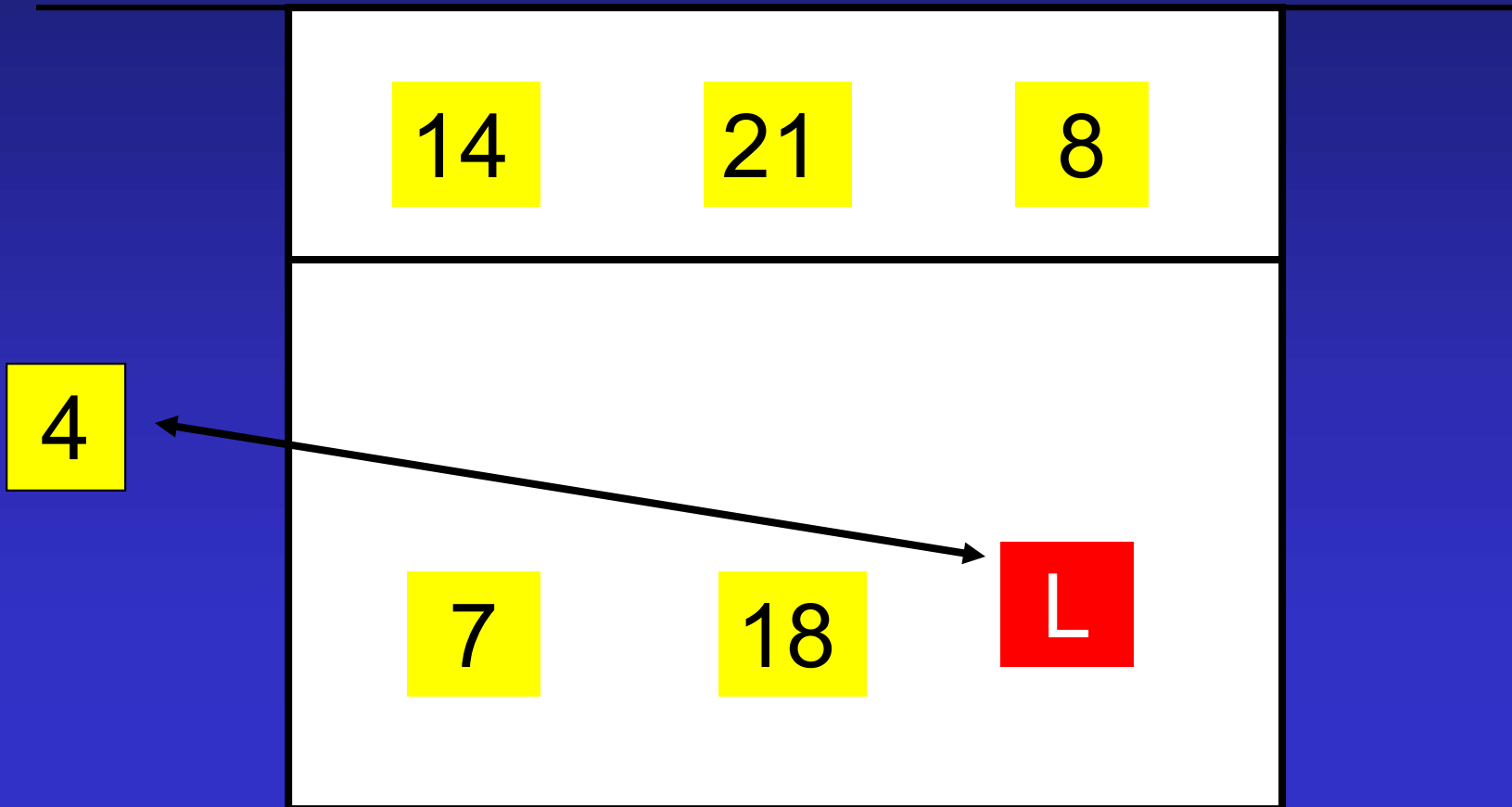
The assistant scorekeeper enters the players numbers in service order on the libero tracking sheet from the lineup turned in by the coach and then checks this is the same order the scorekeeper has written on the official scoresheet.

Libero Replacements are tracked at the score table

TEAM: GOLD - RICHMOND L: 2			
GAME	SO	S P	
1	I	4	
	II	8	
	III	21	
	IV	14	
	V	7	
	VI	18	

The Libero "Replaces" # 4

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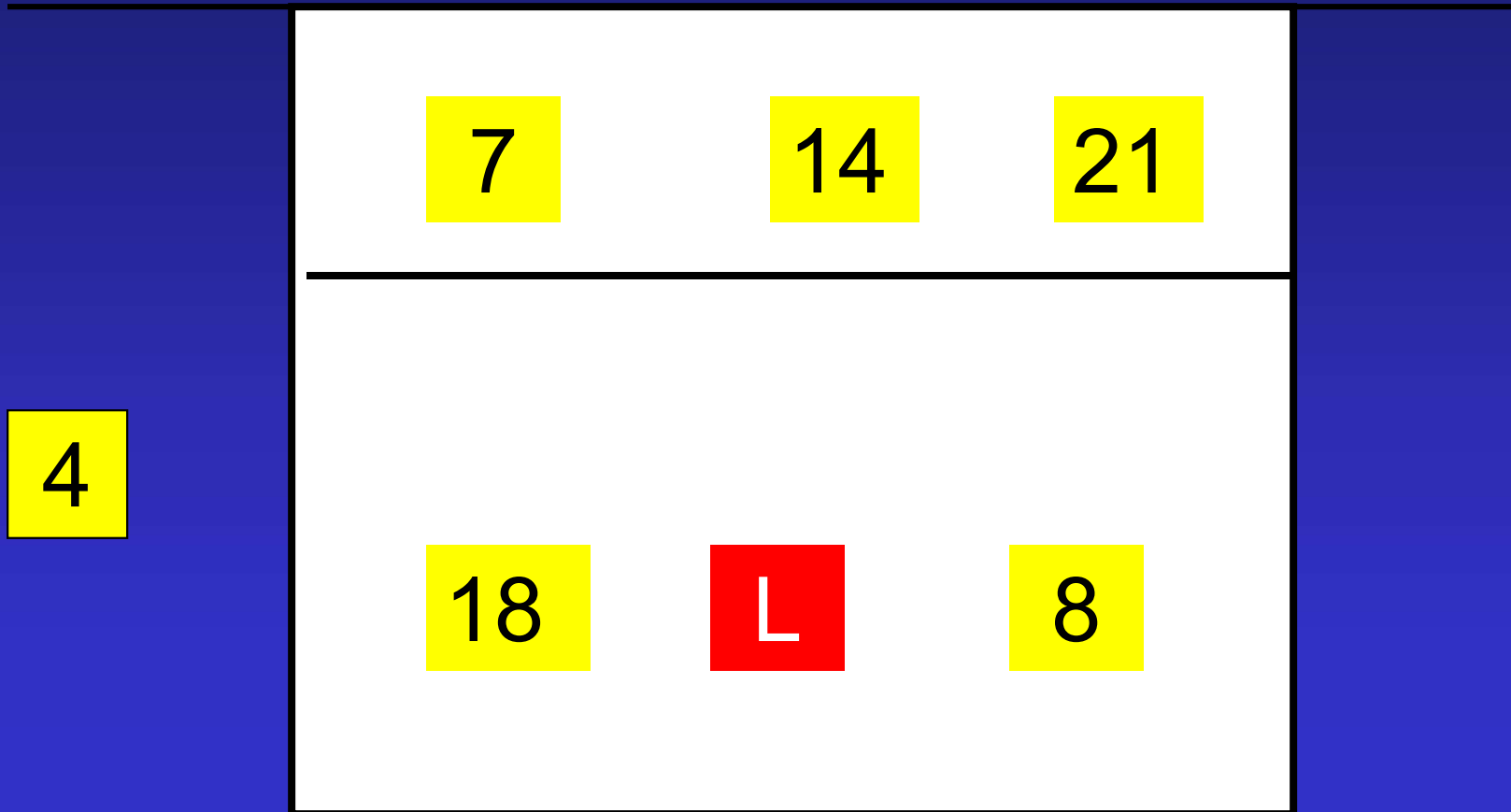


Libero Replacements are tracked at the score table

TEAM: GOLD - RICHMOND L: 2			
GAME	SO	S P	
1	I	4	L
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	III	21	
	IV	14	
	V	7	
	VI	18	

Libero rotates to middle back

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Libero rotates to left back

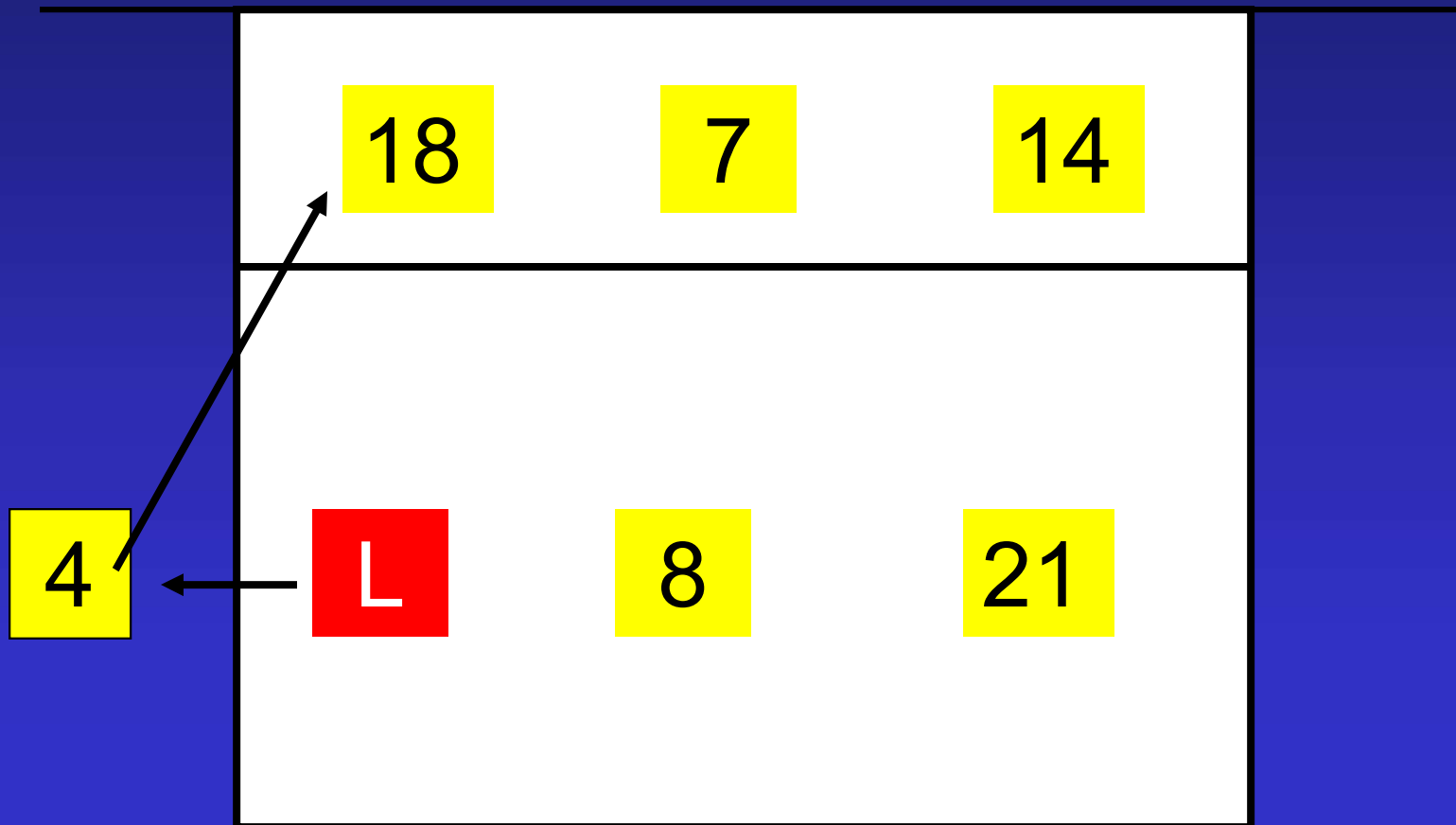
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18	7	14
L	8	21

The Libero must be replaced before rotating to the front row

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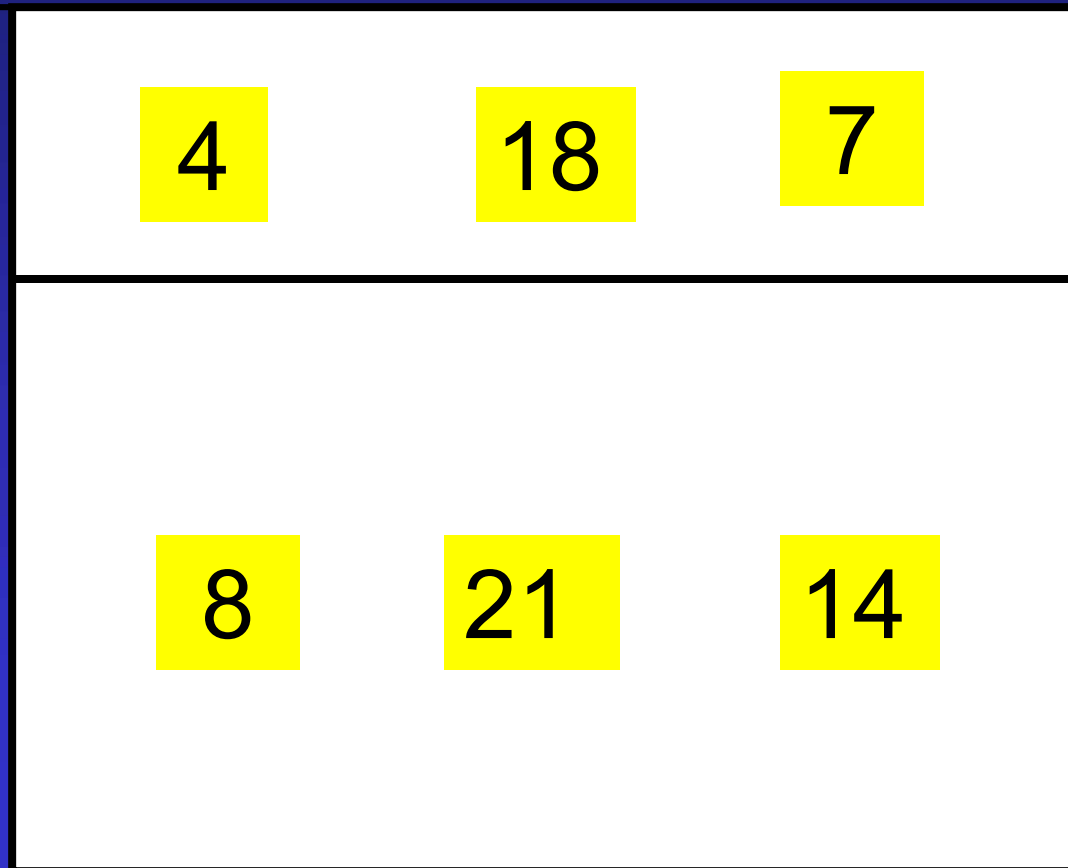
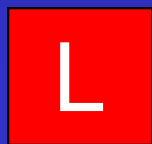


Libero Replacements are tracked at the score table

TEAM: GOLD - RICHMOND L: 2			
GAME	SO	S P	
1	I	4	4 4
	II	8	
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	IV	14	
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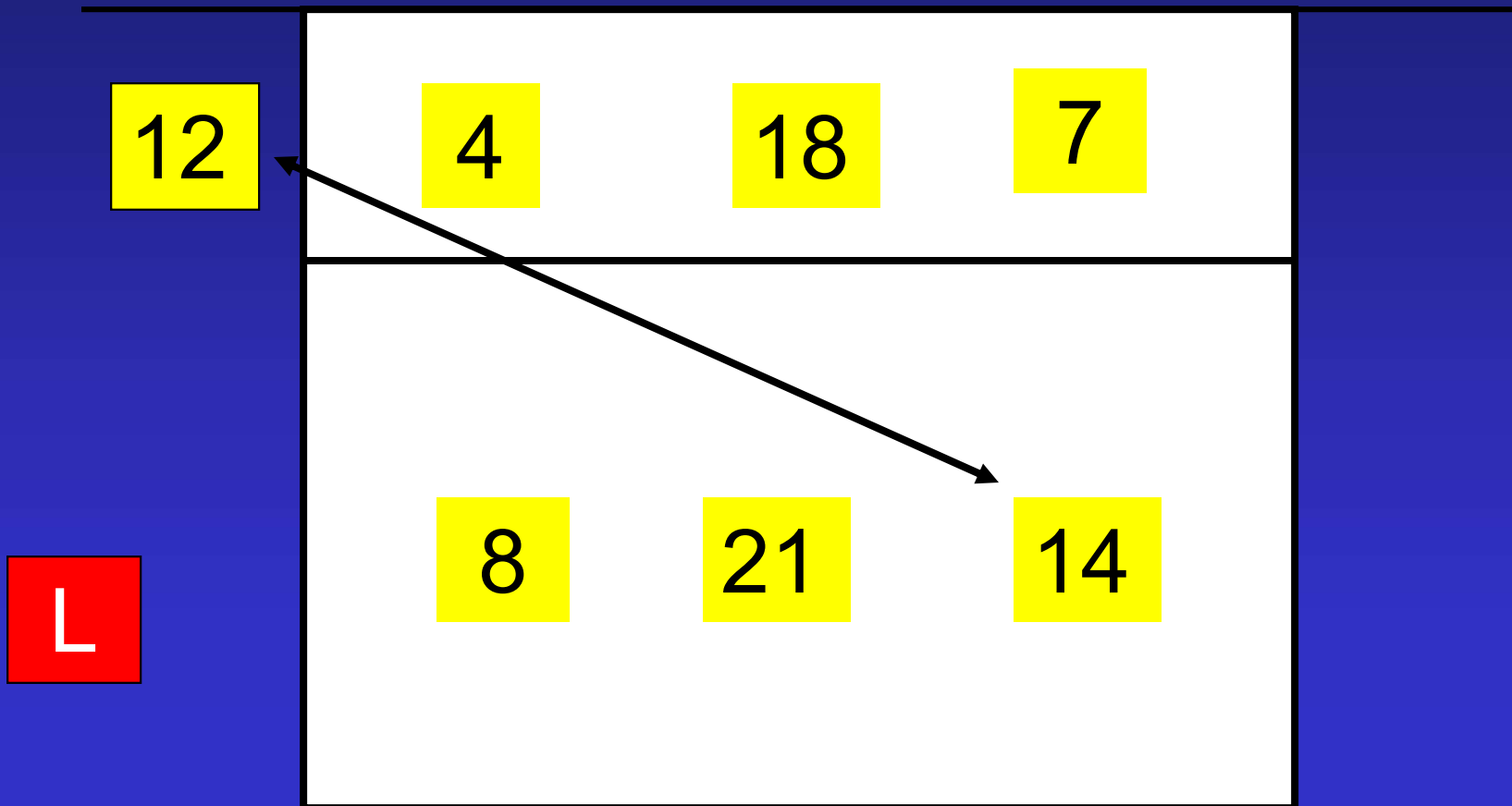
After 1 rally (dead ball + live ball) the Libero can now replace another back row player

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Here's another example of a Libero replacement #12 substitutes for #14 to serve

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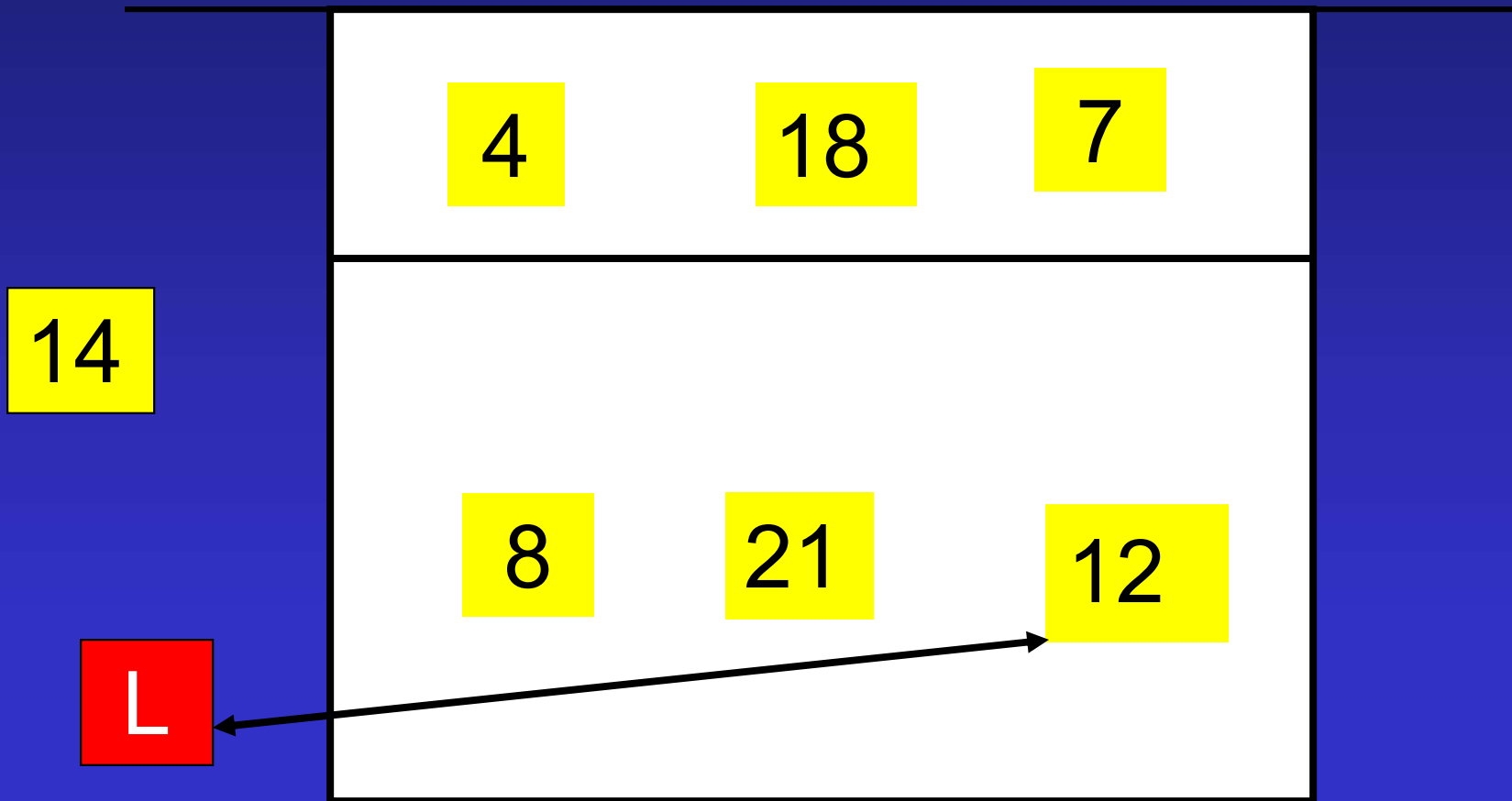


Substitutes must be tracked on the libero tracking sheet

TEAM: GOLD - RICHMOND L: 2			
GAME	SO	S P	
1	I	4	X 4
	II	8	
	III	21	
	IV	14	12
	V	7	
	VI	18	

After #12 serves, the libero replaces her

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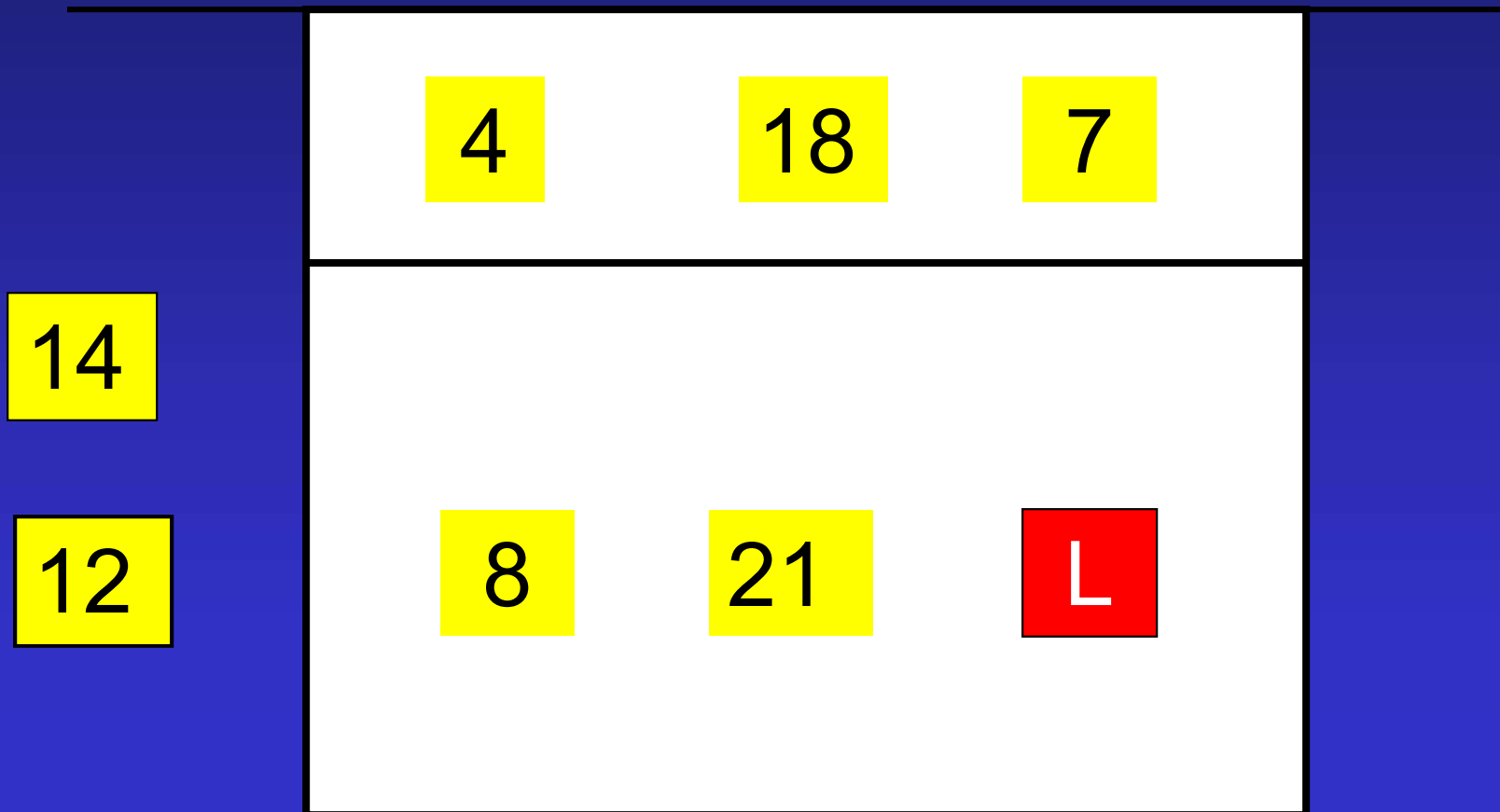


The letter L (for libero) is entered next to #12

TEAM: GOLD - RICHMOND L: 2			
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	II	8	
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	IV	14	12 L
	V	7	
	VI	18	

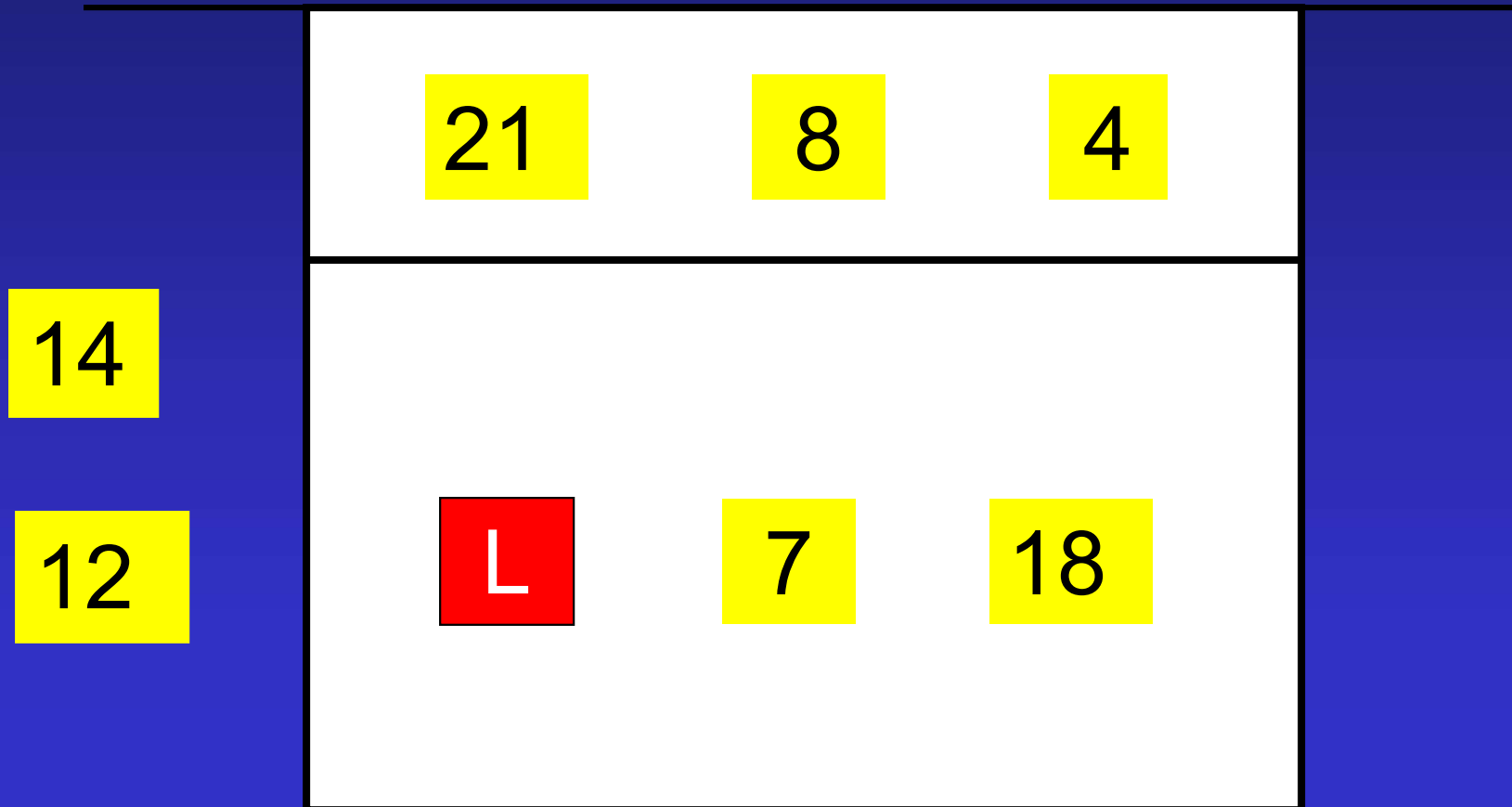
The libero now rotates through the back row

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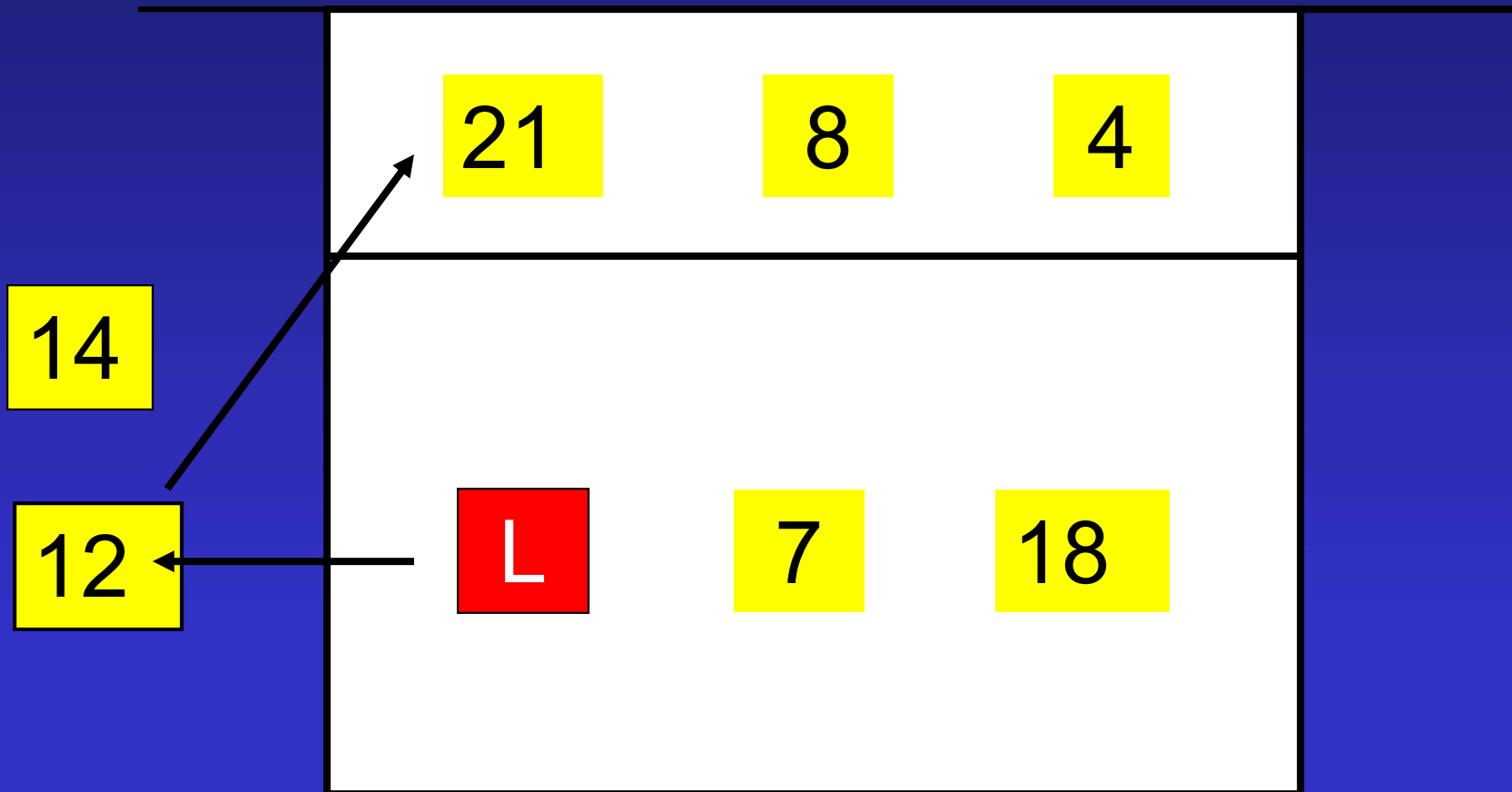
It is now time for the libero to come out. The coach wants #14 back on the front row

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First the libero must be replaced
by the player she replaced # 12

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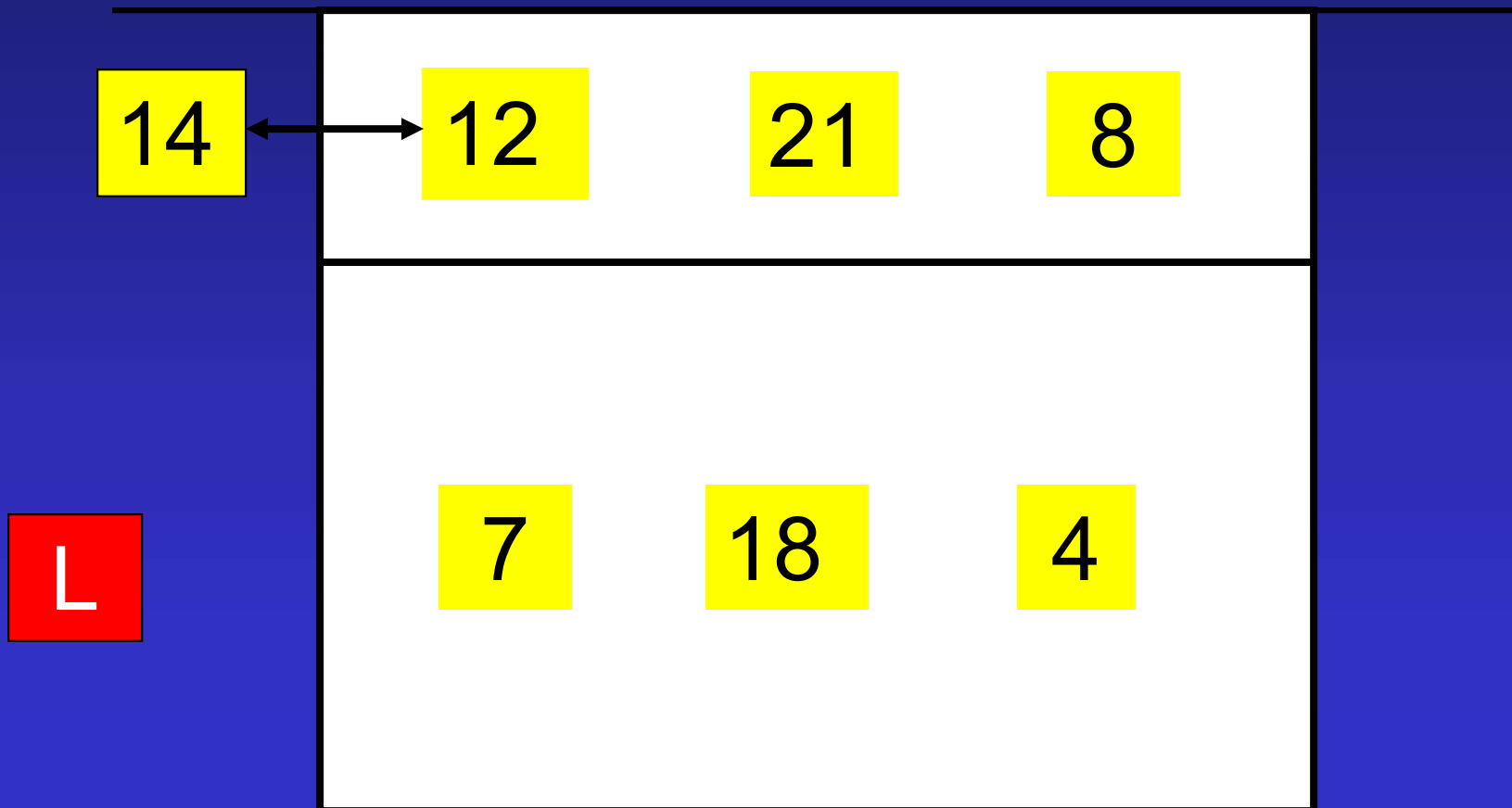


#12 is entered on the sheet

TEAM: GOLD - RICHMOND L: 2			
GAME	SO	S P	
1	I	4	4 4
	II	8	
	III	21	
	IV	14	12 12 12
	V	7	
	VI	18	

Now the coach can substitute #14 for #12.


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**Once again the substitute is written in,
just like on the scoresheet**

TEAM: GOLD - RICHMOND L: 2			
GAME	SO	S P	
1	I	4	4 4
	II	8	
	III	21	
	IV	14	12 4 12 14
	V	7	
	VI	18	

If the libero is serving, place a triangle around the position she is serving in.

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GAME	SO	S P	
1	I	4	4 4
	II	8	
	III	21	
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QUESTIONS