



2015 WEVZA BEACH VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS (UNDER AGES CATEGORIES)

COMPETITION REGULATIONS

(as adopted by General Assembly in Antalya, October 24th, 2014)

1. DEFINITION – GOVERNING BODIES

1.1. The WEVZA Beach Volleyball Championships (both Boys and Girls) are annually organised, in the following categories:

- U-17 (Its configuration will be determined in cooperation with the Organizer NF)
- U-19
- U-21

1.2. The WEVZA General Assembly and EXCOM are the governing bodies.

1.3. The WEVZA Technical Commission is entrusted to manage and control the Tournament.

1.4. The Organising NF is entitled to prepare and control the smooth running of the event.

2. ORGANIZATION

2.1. Every year and before **November 15th**, every member NF are entitled to present applications for the organization of the following year beach volleyball under ages championships. The organizer will be agreed by the Executive Committee according to the following table of precedence rights:

BEACH VOLLEY ORGANIZERS			
ROTATION ORDER 2015 - 22			
	U-21 B&G	U-19 B&G	U-17 B&G
2015	POR	SUI	BEL
2016	ESP	FRA	ITA
2017	NED	POR	SUI
2018	GER	ESP	FRA
2019	BEL	NED	POR
2020	ITA	GER	ESP
2021	SUI	BEL	NED
2022	FRA	ITA	GER

Nevertheless, NFs can waive their right in the aforementioned term. In this case, the WEVZA Executive Committee will determine the Championship's Organizers.

2.2. Before February 1st, the organising NF will submit the exact date and venue to the WEVZA Executive Committee for approval.



- 2.3. Once approved, it will address an invitation letter to the rest of the NFs.
- 2.4. Failure of organization from the NF will be sanctioned by WEVZA.

3. PARTICIPATION

- 3.1. The participation is reserved for teams representing the WEVZA affiliated NFs, who are the solely authorized to register for the Tournaments.
- 3.2. The participation with one or two teams has to be confirmed by the registered NFs every year before February 15th.
- 3.3. A confirmed NF is allowed to withdraw up to three (3) months before the Tournament date. The late withdraws after this date will be sanctioned by WEVZA.
- 3.4. If after the NFs confirmation and withdrawing, there are less than six (6) teams from minimum four (4) different countries participants; the WEVZA could decide whether to increase the number of teams per NF or to cancel the Tournament.

4. COMPETITION PERIOD

- 4.1. The tournaments must be organised within the period starting the last two (2) full week of June until the first full week of September.
- 4.2. Duly care must be taken to not interfere with the FIVB/CEV competitions and trying to foreseen the WEVZA competition as preparatory to them, preferable with a minimum seven (7) days interval.
- 4.3. If one of the WEVZA NFs is a FIVB/CEV competition Organizer, it can propose to schedule the WEVZA related tournament in the same country just before it (with the CEV/FIVB previous approval). The same possibility will be considered for any NF if the related FIVB/CEV championship is scheduled out of the period stated in point 4.1.

5. COMPETITION SCHEDULE

- 5.1. For sixteen (16) teams the competition will be drawn as follows:

Qualification Round

Four pools (Pools A, B, C and D) of four teams each.

Round robin system = 3 matches per team.

Pools composition:

- Teams of the same country must be seeding in different Pools.
- Team N^o 1 of the Host country must be seeded 1 in Pool A.
- The rest of the countries' team N^o 1 should be seeding by serpentine system following the previous year WEVZA Championship standing, starting from Pool B (Main draw positions 1-8). In case less of 8 different countries participate, the remaining 1-8 positions free should be draw between the countries' team N^o2.
- Countries' team N^o 2 (and others in case) should be allocating by draw row by row, also follow the previous year WEVZA Championship standing (but taking in consideration the above provisions).



Final Round

The first and second classified in each Pool play Championship bracket (8 teams), single elimination (Quarter Finals, Semi Finals, Bronze medal and Final).

It must avoid teams coming from the same Pool will be draw in the same Quarter Final and Semi Final.

The third and four classified in each Pool play the Consolation Tournament (8 teams), single elimination (as in the Championship bracket).

- 5.2. In case there are less participating teams the competition schedule will be adjusted in order to provide as many matches as possible to the participant teams. The organizer will submit to WEVZA Technical Commission a proposal for its approval at least one month before the competition.

6. COMPETITION CALENDAR

Day 1	Arrival of the teams
Day 2	Competition
Day 3	Competition
Day 4	Departure of the teams

6.1. The organizer has the right to set the daily matches' timetable.

6.2. FIVB Rules relating to players rest between matches will be applied.

7. PLAYING MATCHES AND POINTS ALLOCATION

7.1. The official Beach Volleyball ROG and the CEV regulations should be applied.

7.2. All matches should be played with FIVB/CEV official ball for the under ages championships.

8. COMPETITION COURTS

8.1. The Organizer could set the competition on at least 2 competition courts per gender, plus one training court.

8.2. Competition courts must comply with the CEV requirements of surface, equipment and personnel, unless otherwise accepted by WEVZA Technical Commission.

8.3. The competition courts must meet the following minimum requirements:

- Free zone 3.00m
- Perimeter fences closing the playing area.

9. TRAINING

9.1. Courts will be open for training from the day of the Technical Meeting.

9.2. The NFs training petitions should be consider according the courts availability.

10. COMPOSITION OF THE DELEGATIONS

- 10.1. Each NF delegation consists of 2 or 4 players per category and gender (1 or 2 teams), 1 coach per team, 1 NF Delegate, and 1 referee.
- 10.2. Nevertheless, although each participants NF can determine the number of teams and coaches, it is compulsory to have in the delegation one referee and, at least, one coach or NF Delegate. No registration forms will be accepted without them.
- 10.3. The Delegations will be in charge of the Organizer.

11. DELEGATIONS LODGING AND MEALS

- 11.1. Lodging will be provided for 2, 3, or a maximum of 4 players per room.
- 11.2. The NFs officials (coaches and NF Delegate) and Referees must be lodge in single or double rooms. If necessary, they can share room with officials and referees of other NFs.
- 11.3. Duly care must be taken to provide separate rooms for different genders.
- 11.4. The daily provisioning will include three meals: breakfast, lunch and dinner.
- 11.5. At lunch and dinner at least one (1) litre of mineral water for each person will be provided.
- 11.6. For each match a minimum of 2 litres of mineral water (without gas) per team must be provided. Fruit, snacks and refreshments are recommended on the same competition site.
- 11.7. The costs of the extra's (drinks, coffees, telephone, etc.) will be borne by the participating delegation.
- 11.8. The use of tournament ID cards is up the Organizer NF.

12. FINANCIAL CONDITIONS

- 12.1. No entry fee is foreseen for these competitions.
- 12.2. Expenses related to lodging and board for each delegation (4 o 6 persons) will be borne by the Organising NF, from the official day of arrival until the official day of departure.
- 12.3. The participants teams must pay to the organizer the Contribution fee of 40,00 € per person / day, starting the arrival day up to the departure day.

13. TRANSPORTATION

- 13.1. The participants shall bear their own costs of transportation to and from the tournament venue.
- 13.2. If requested, the Organizer will arrange transportation (bus, van, railway, etc.) from the airport or a railway-station to the site of the tournament (and back), at the expense of the requesting participant.
- 13.3. The Organising NF will establish and finance a transportation system for teams and officials from the official Hotel to the courts if they are separated for more than 5/10 minutes walk.

14. PLAYERS ELEGIBILITY



- 14.1. The eligibility rules are the same as of the CEV/FIVB, but the stated in point 14.3 relating players on process of acquiring the citizenship of the country they represent.
- 14.2. The Organizer, upon arrival, must conduct a verification of the player's birthdates (age) using the passports/ID cards presented by the Team's Managers and report to the Technical Meeting.
- 14.3. If a player hasn't yet acquired the citizenship of the represented country, the team must provide an Official Letter signed by the President or General Secretary of the concerned NF, demonstrating the player is in the process to obtain the aforementioned citizenship. The number of players in this exceptional situation is limited by a maximum of one player per NF, gender and category.

15. UNIFORMS

- 15.1. Every team must take their own playing uniform, including shirts and tops, with numbers (1 and 2) and the identification of the country they represent (flag, country code or both), of minimum two different colours.
- 15.2. Nevertheless, the Organizer is authorized to supply the team's tops and shirts and, in this case, teams are obliged to wear it. This decision must be communicated to the participants at least thirty (30) days before the start of the competition.
- 15.3. The style of the uniforms must roughly comply with FIVB/CEV rules.

16. MEDICAL ISSUES

- 16.1. Each NF is responsible to ensure the appropriate health condition of each individual delegation member according with his or her role.
- 16.2. The participant NFs must ensure in writing the coverage by International Health insurance for the tournament for all delegation members.
- 16.3. The Organizer should provide first assistance on site in case of accident and the quick and safe transportation to the Hospital.
- 16.4. The respective NF is responsible for the cost of any medical assistance in hospital, treatment, diagnostic testing, pharmacy, hospitalization, surgery, etc.

17. PERSONNEL AND TECHNICAL SUPERVISOR

- 17.1. The Organizer NF is responsible to appoint all the personnel needed for the smooth running of the event, taking in consideration the CEV guidelines for European under age championships.
- 17.2. The Technical Supervisor of the championship must be a person of sufficient experience in beach volleyball competitions in the highest national level, and must be proposed by the organizer NF to WEVZA appointment at least 45 days before the championship.
- 17.3. The Technical Supervisor, along with the Beach Volleyball Coordinator of the Organizer NF, will be the counterparts of the WEVZA Beach Volleyball Department for any issue relating to the Championship.

18. TECHNICAL MEETING

- 18.1. On the arrival day a Technical Meeting will be held with the presence of all the players, Teams Coaches / NF Delegates, the local organizers and minimum one representative of the Organizing National Federation, who will chair the Meeting.
- 18.2. During the Technical Meeting, the Technical Supervisor will present final competition details, like definitive competition schedule, timetable and other relevant information.
- 18.3. At the Technical Meeting, a competition Jury integrated by 3 members will be established. It will be composed by one member of the Organizing NF, The Technical Supervisor and the Referee Manager.
- 18.4. The Jury is entitled to decide about the urgent matters concerning complaints on Competition regulations, participant's misbehaviour, etc. and will issue a report to the WEVZA competent organs.
- 18.5. The Jury should decide the cases based on the WEVZA Statutes and Regulations. In case these are not foreseen, the correspondent CEV Regulations should be applied.

19. REFEREEING

- 19.1. A 1st and 2nd referees plus scorer should conduct the matches.
- 19.2. The Referees qualification must be: National Top level under 36 years old, International or International Candidate of any age.
- 19.3. The participant's teams must include into the Delegation one Referee, and make him/her available for the Organising NF without Per Diem. The Organizer shall complete the Referee roster (if needed) and provide the scorers and line-judges (if any).
- 19.4. The foreign Referees must be lodged in single or double rooms, and shall receive the same meals per day as the Delegations. It is recommended to lodge the Referees in a different venue or building that the teams.
- 19.5. A respected Referee fluent in English from the Organising National Federation will be appointed to perform the duties of Referee Delegate and will be entrusted to make the daily Referees' designations, Referee Clinic, etc.
- 19.6. The CEV Match Protocol will be performed during the complete Tournament.

20. AWARDING

- 20.1. The Organizer must present trophies for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd classified teams.
- 20.2. The trophies must display the WEVZA logo, competition name, date and standing.
- 20.3. During the awarding ceremony, all the national flags must be present and the national anthem of the winner will be played.
- 20.4. Additionally, awards could be given to individual and outstanding players. The Coaches/Managers of each participating national team will vote after the semi-finals.
- 20.5. The Organizer will offer a small gift or souvenir to all players as a friendly gesture.

21. ADMINISTRATION AND COMMUNICATION

- 21.1. Deadline to provide to the Organizer:



Fifteen (15) days before the Tournament:

- Information about arrival – departure.
- Final Team composition.
- All relevant medical/insurance documents.

21.2. The Organizer has to publish all results and standing on the WEVZA website, shortly after each match. The organizer is also allowed to use its own or new created specifically developed website.

21.3. Maximum ten (10) days after the Tournament, each Organizer must forward to the WEVZA Secretariat a complete competition report, including:

- Competition data: venue, date, duration, etc;
- Participant teams information: team's composition, players & coaches data, etc;
- Match results and Final standing;
- Tournament miscellaneous and pictures showing the CEV and WEVZA marketing kits.

21.4. Stats by match, daily bulletin, video streaming and live score are not compulsory but recommended.

22. FURTHER INFORMATION.

All relevant information about WEVZA Beach Volleyball events will be circulated to all National Federations through the Official Communications and posted in the Beach Volleyball section of the WEVZA website. All participants are responsible to check regularly for news, updates and team lists.

23. MARKETING AND PRESS REGULATIONS.

For identification of events as WEVZA tournaments under CEV umbrella, the following items ensured by Organizing Federation are mandatory:

- 1 banner of CEV
- 2 banners of WEVZA
- 1 FIVB flag
- 1 CEV flag
- 1 WEVZA flag
- Participating countries flags
- CEV and WEVZA logo in all printing and advertisement materials, press releases
- Press conference

24. CONTACT ADDRESSES AND RESPONSIBLE.

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26. SUBSIDIARY NORMS, OFFICIAL FORMS AND COMPETITION BRACKETS.

CEV rules and regulations will be of subsidiary application for any issue do not covered by these Regulations. The Official forms to be used for any WEVZA communications are the ones of the CEV. The CEV Regulations will apply directly for competition brackets.