

# 6 - 15 October 2023

# **SPECIFIC COMPETITION REGULATIONS**

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# 1. TIME, PLACE, AND WEATHER CONDITIONS IN TLAXCALA

The 2023 FIVB Beach Volleyball World Championships will be held on 6 to 15 October 2023 in the state of Tlaxcala, Mexico. The tournament will be held in three cities, including its capital Tlaxcala, Apizaco and Huamantla. Competition venues will be set up using the existing bullring in those cities, as well as the city center of Tlaxcala.

The average altitude for the state of Tlaxcala is 2230 meters above sea level. The weather in mid-October is forecasted to be mostly sunny with the highest temperature ranging from °C 20 to °C 27. Showers are possible on certain days during the competition and more details will be available in the weather forecast approaching the event.

## 2. VENUE & FACILITIES

#### Competition and warm-up courts

There will be four competition venues for the pool phase and the playoffs from the Round of 32 up to the quarterfinals, i.e. Tlaxcala Bullring, MAT Stadium (Tlaxcala), Apizaco Bullring and Huamantla Bullring. The Lucky Loser matches will be Apizaco and MAT Stadium (Tlaxcala) only. One warm-up court will be available for each of the venues: Tlaxcala (2 warm-up courts), Apizaco (1 warm-up court) and Huamantla (1 warm-up court).

Spectator Capacity:

- Tlaxcala Bullring (Jorge 'El Ranchero' Aguilar): 3,500 spectator capacity outdoor venue.
- MAT Stadium (Tlaxcala): 2,000 spectator capacity outdoor venue.
- Huamantla Bullring (La Taurina): 6,000 spectator capacity indoor venue.
- Apizaco Bullring (La Monumental): 7,000 spectator capacity outdoor venue.

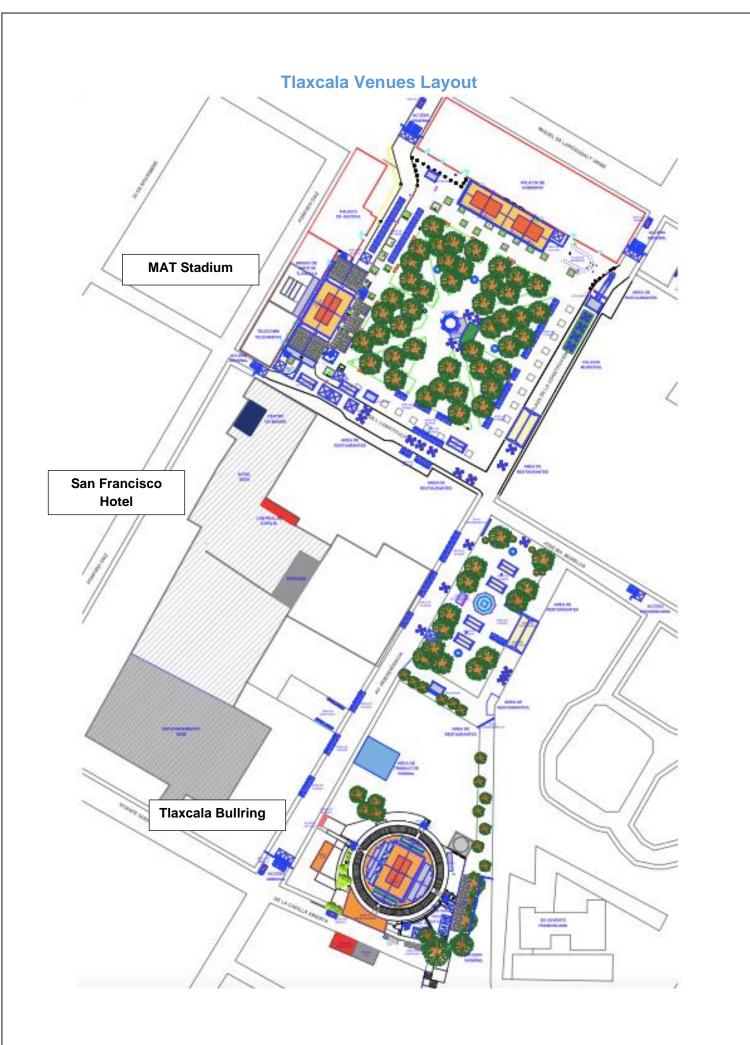
Teams scheduled to play on the Center Court will use the warm-up adjacent to the main stadium and are required to follow the instructions from the Warm-up Court Manager in order to arrive at the Court in time.

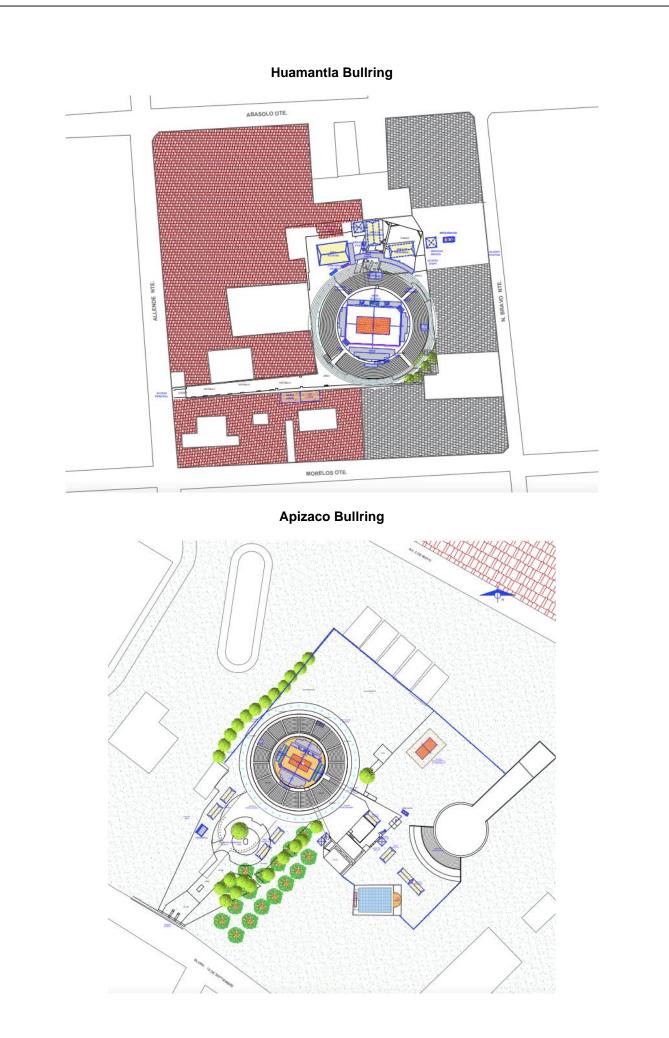
The teams will be updated with the live scores of each competition court at the official warm-up courts. Except for the Tlaxcala Bullring and Huamantla Bullring, the warm-up courts for the other two competition venues are within walking distance. For the teams playing at the Tlaxcala Bullring and Huamantla Bullring, transportation will be provided using golf cart and will be driven in special lane. Teams can request transportation to the competition venue accordingly through warm-up coordinators. Teams are recommended to follow the instructions of the Warm-up Court Manager in order to arrive at the Court in time.

In addition to the competition venue and warm-up courts described above, there will be at least one training court in each city – Tlaxcala (2 training courts), Apizaco (1 training court) and Huamantla (1 training court).

## Distance of Travel to Beach Volleyball Venues

Venue	Distances to	Transport Time (approximately)
Tlaxcala Bullring	Hotel (San Francisco Hotel) 350 m	5 minutes walking distance
	Warm-up courts 400 m	5 minutes walking distance
Venue	Distances to	Transport Time (approximately)
MAT Stadium	Hotel (San Francisco Hotel) 50 m	1 minute walking distance
(Tlaxcala)	Warm-up courts 80 m	2 minutes walking distance
Beach Volleyball venue	Distances to	Transport Time (approximately)
Huamantla Bullring	Hotel (Hacienda Soltepec) 3.5 Km	Driving Time: 12 minutes
	Warm-up courts 500 m	6 minutes walking distance
Beach Volleyball venue	Distances to	Transport Time (approximately)
Apizaco Bullring	Hotel (Holiday Inn Hotel) 8 Km	Driving Time: 15 minutes
	Warm-up courts 100 m	2 minutes walking distance





## Officials' (Delegates and Referees) facilities

Facilities for officials will be set up at respective cities respecting the requirement in the Event Rider.

## **FIVB Offices**

There will be one FIVB office in each city of Tlaxcala, Apizaco and Huamantla.

- Tlaxcala: Hotel "San Francisco" and Hotel "La Capilla"
- Apizaco: Venue
- Huamantla: Venue

## **Athletes' Facilities**

Athlete's facilities will be set up at the respective cities respecting the requirement in the Event Rider, including:

- Athletes lounge
- Physiotherapy room
- Medical room

## 3. FIVB Delegate and Officials

Information regarding the FIVB Technical Delegates and Referee Coaches is as follows:

FIVB Technical Delegate (Tlaxcala) - Leading	Mr. Ed Drakich (CAN)			
FIVB Technical Delegate (Huamantla) – Leading Assistant	Mr. Marcelo Wangler (BRA)			
FIVB Technical Delegate (Apizaco)	Mr. Christopher Schrenk (AUT)			
FIVB Technical Delegate (MAT Stadium - Tlaxcala)	Mr. Christian Schemeth (LIE)			
FIVB Referee Coach (Tlaxcala) - Leading	Mr. Jose Casanova (POR)			
FIVB Referee Coach (Huamantla)	Mr. André Trottier (CAN)			
FIVB Referee Coach (Apizaco)	Mr. Marc Berard (FRA)			
FIVB Referee Coach (MAT Stadium - Tlaxcala)	Ms. Maria Amelia Villas Bôas (BRA)			

For contacts of key FIVB delegates, please refer to details on point 35.

## 4. Organizing Committee's Competition Management

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# 5. Qualification system

There is a total of forty-eight (48) teams per gender participating from around the world in the 2023 FIVB Beach Volleyball World Championships. The qualification system is open to all teams, respecting the principle of universality so that each continent will have its representation at the 2023 FIVB Beach Volleyball World Championships. The detailed breakdown of quota places are as follows:

Qualification Pathway	Qualification System
Wild Card	Three (3) teams per gender
	Twenty-five (25) teams per gender, based on the sum of ranking points
FIVB WCH Entry Points –	accumulated from the best six (6) finishes over the period of 1st
(Best 6 events from 1 <sup>st</sup> Feb	February to 21st August 2023, including minimum two (2) teams per
to 21 <sup>st</sup> August 2023)	gender guaranteed to the host country Mexico, regardless of the FIVB
	WCH Entry points
	Twenty (20) teams per gender (up to 4 teams per Confederation
Continental Quete	providing the players meeting Athletes' Eligibility requirement set out
Continental Quota	below in Point 3 of the 2023 FIVB BVB World Championships
	Qualification System document)
Total	48

The minimum quota places for the Host NF (Mexico) will be two (2) per gender regardless of the FIVB WCH Entry points on the day when the Confirmed Team Entry list is published on 25<sup>th</sup> August 2023. In case there will be one (1) or no team from the Host NF among the top twenty-three (23) teams per the FIVB WCH Entry Points as of 21<sup>st</sup> August 2023, then accordingly, one (1) or two (2) teams from the Host NF (Mexico) will be awarded the quota places, and the Host NF (i.e. Mexico) shall nominate the team name(s) to the FIVB in writing among the teams registered in the event in the VIS. Should the Host NF (Mexico) not specify the team's name(s), the FIVB will pick up the best (or best two) ranked eligible team(s) from the Host NF (Mexico) automatically as per the FIVB WCH Entry points on the day when the Entry list is dispatched.

Should the Host NF (i.e. Mexico) already have two (2) or more teams listed among the top twenty-three (23) teams per the FIVB WCH Entry Points calculated on 21<sup>st</sup> August 2023, the Host NF will not benefit from the above policy. The next two (2) eligible teams as per the FIVB WCH Entry points calculated on 21<sup>st</sup> August 2023 will be picked up to fill the roster, respecting the maximum quota places per NF.

The maximum quota places for the Host NF (Mexico) will be six (6) per gender. The maximum quota consists of any quota place(s) obtained through the FIVB WCH Entry Points, Continental Quota Qualification pathway and/or Host NF minimum quota places, excluding the wild cards. Additional teams out of the maximum quota will be then listed in the reserve list.

There is no minimum quota place for the foreign NF, while the maximum quota place for foreign NF will be maximum four (4) per gender. The maximum quota consists of any quota place(s) obtained through the FIVB WCH Entry Points and Continental Quota Qualification pathway, excluding the wild cards. Additional teams out of the maximum quota will be then listed in the reserve list.

The 2023 FIVB Beach Volleyball World Championships Qualification System is available at:

2023 FIVB BVB World Championships Qualification System (https://www.fivb.com/en/beachvolleyball/tools)

Details of each Continental Qualification pathway to the 2023 FIVB Beach Volleyball World Championships are available at:

2023 FIVB BVB World Championships Qualification System - Continental Qualification Pathway

(https://www.fivb.com/en/beachvolleyball/tools)

# 6. PRELIMINARY INQUIRY

Date: 3 October 2023	
Date: 4 October 2023	
Date: 5 October 2023	

Time: 09:00 – 13:00 & 15:00 – 19:00 Time: 09:00 – 13:00 & 15:00 – 19:00 Time: 09:00 – 13:00

Location:

TLAXCALA: San Francisco Hotel: Pool area APIZACO: Holiday Inn Hotel: Hotel meeting room, meeting room 1 HUAMANTLA: Soltepec Hotel: Pedro Armendariz room

The preliminary inquiry will be conducted in accordance with the FIVB General Regulations and both athletes from each team must attend the preliminary inquiry. All teams arriving before 3 October 2023 are strongly encouraged to attend the preliminary inquiry on 3 October as due to the high number of teams at the World Championships the schedule on 4 October and 5 October could be tight.

It is highly recommended to confirm your time and date to attend the preliminary inquiry once you submit your travel itinerary to enable an optimized schedule of preliminary inquiry to accommodate the requests of all teams. A timetable of preliminary inquiry will be provided to you only if you provide your arrival time/date in advance.

During the preliminary inquiry, teams are required to present the following documents:

- Passports.
- The uniforms in at least 3 contrast colors prepared by the participating teams, even though the digital layout of uniform in scale may be reviewed online prior to the tournament.
- All accessories that need to be checked if required by the FIVB Technical Delegate.
- Status of players if the Manipulation Course is completed.
- Acknowledge of the receipt and study of Video Challenge System Guidelines/Protocols.
- Players' apparel as profile pictures for TV will be taken during the Preliminary Inquiry.

# 7. GENERAL TECHNICAL MEETING

There will be no Technical Meeting held on site at the Tlaxcala 2023 Beach Volleyball World Championships.

Instead, online sessions with the organizer, the FIVB and Volleyball World will be organized prior to your travel to Tlaxcala to provide all necessary information, while any specific questions can be answered in advance before your travel or at the respective preliminary inquiry. The time and date of the Information online session will be shared closer to the start of the event.

# 8. OPENING CEREMONY & OFFICIAL RECEPTION

The organizer, together with the Tlaxcala State Government will organize a grand opening ceremony in the 'Estadio Tlahuicole' (an 15,000-seats outdoor stadium), from 19:00 to 20:30 in the evening of Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2023, to welcome all athletes, officials, delegation members and guests to the 2023 FIVB Beach Volleyball World Championships.

An official dinner reception will also be organized at the dining area next to the 'Estadio Tlahuicole' from 17:30 onwards. All athletes and officials are required to attend the dinner reception and opening ceremony, while all team delegation members are invited by the organizer. Transportation will be provided from the respective athlete's and official's hotels to the stadium, as well as after the completion of the opening ceremony back to their respective hotels. Details including the departure time (at hotel and stadium), as well as drop-off/pick-up points will be provided at a later stage closer to the start of the event.

In order for all players and officials to be able to attend the official dinner and the Opening Ceremonies, all venues will be shut down starting from 16:00 on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2023. No matches will be scheduled on the morning of 6<sup>th</sup> October 2023, and the opening matches are planned to start at 14:30 Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October in all four competition venues.

## 9. ENTRIES AND TEAMS INFORMATION

The Confirmed Entry List will be provided at a later stage on 25<sup>th</sup> August 2023.

The link is: <u>https://en.volleyballworld.com/beachvolleyball/competitions/beach-volleyball-world-championships-tlaxcala-2023/</u>

Each athlete and National Federation can log in with their VIS credentials at <u>app.fivb.com</u> to track their current WCHs Entry ranking points. This is updated every Monday until Monday after Hamburg Elite16. Should you need assistance to access, please contact <u>beachvolleyball@fivb.com</u>.

After log-in, please click on the left navigation bar, Beach Volleyball – Rankings, and then choose World Championships Entry Ranking – Team or Player, Men or Women, to track your ranking position.

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# 10. KEY DATES

Date	Milestone
By 11 August 2023	Confederations to submit to FIVB its tentative team list (team entry by name)
11 August 2023	Entry deadline and Deadline for NFs to submit a wild card request
11 August 2022 spwords	Invitation letter to be provided by the Host NF (Mexico) to the participants for
11 August 2023 onwards	a visa application
	Athlete Eligibility assessment as per the athlete eligibility requirements
	Should a team fail to comply with the athlete eligibility requirements, the
11 to 23 August 2023	respective place shall be granted to the next eligible teams registered in the
	2023 FIVB Beach Volleyball World Championships as per their FIVB
	Ranking Points calculated on 21st August 2023.
	FIVB to publish the Confirmed Team Entry List (after the athlete's eligibility
25 August 2023	check results) based on the FIVB WCH Entry Points (Best 6 FIVB results 1
	Feb to 21 Aug, 2023) updated on 21 August 2023
30 August 2023	Drawing of Lots to place the teams into the pools.
	The match schedule for the pool phase will be announced after the drawing
By 11 September 2023	of lots upon the confirmation from FIVB/Volleyball World. The Venue
By 11 September 2025	locations (Tlaxcala Bullring, MAT Stadium (Tlaxcala), Apizaco Bullring and
	Huamantla Bullring) of each pool will be announced at the same time.
1 October 2023	Arrival of FIVB Technical Delegate
3 October 2023	Arrival of Referee Coach and Referees
3 – 5 October 2023	Preliminary Inquiry
4 October 2023	Official check-in at Athlete's hotel (organizer's cost) from 15:00 onwards
5 October 2023	Official Dinner and Opening Ceremonies
6 October 2023 (Day 1)	Start of 2023 FIVB Beach Volleyball World Championships
15 October 2023 (Day 10)	Medal matches and End of 2023 Beach Volleyball World Championships

# **11. COMPETITION SYSTEM**

A total of 48 men's and 48 women's teams will take part in the 2023 FIVB Beach Volleyball World Championships. The total number of athletes will be 96 men and 96 women (grand total of 192 athletes).

The total number of matches will be 216, comprising of 108 men's and 108 women's matches. The 2023 FIVB Beach Volleyball World Championships will consist of a Preliminary phase (Pool Play), a lucky-loser round and a Single Elimination phase (Round of 32, Round of 16, Quarterfinals, Semifinals and Finals), for both genders.

#### Preliminary phase: Pool Play

48 teams playing in (12) pools of four (4) teams each played in standard Round Robin system. A drawing of lots will be held on 30 August 2023 in Tlaxcala Theatre to establish the seeding and distribution into pools.

Every team will play the three other teams in their pool. The ranking of teams within their pools will be determined by the total number of match points, with the following points awarded per match to each team:

#### Rules for pool ranking.

• Winner earns 2 match points. Loser earns 1 match point.

Match won	2 points
Match lost	1 point
Match forfeited	0 points (21-0; 21-0)

- For all matches the final team ranking will be determined in accordance with the results of the matches (won or lost). For each match won the winning team will earn 2 match points, for each match lost the losing team will earn 1 match point and for each forfeited match the winning team will earn 2 match points while the forfeited team will have 0 points.
- All discontinued matches or matches not commenced are to be assessed by the TD to determine if the losing team is "DSQ" or "INJ/DSQ" and whether they will receive any match points.
- If a team withdraws due to an injury before or during a match or gets disqualified during a match it will earn 1 match point and will keep the sets and points earned up to that moment, but the sets and points against will be the maximum. For example, if a team wins the first set 21:19 and is injured and forfeits the match when they are losing the second set 4:6, this injured team would earn 1 match point with sets of 1:2 and rally points of 21:19, 4:21 and 0:15. In this example, the winning team would get 2 match points with sets of 2:1 and rally points of 19:21, 6:4, 0:0. In addition, its match result will be marked with "INJ/DSQ".
- If the injury occurs before the match begins, the match will be marked "INJ/DSQ" and the losing team will be awarded 1 match point with sets of 0:2 and rally points of 0:21, 0:21. In this case, the winning team will be awarded 2 match points with sets of 2:0 and rally points of 0:0, 0:0.
- If a team withdraws without a valid reason before a match (e.g. no show) or during a match (e.g. refusal to continue) they will lose by forfeit 0-2 (0:21, 0:21) and will earn 0 match points. In addition, this match result will be marked with "DSQ". The winning team will receive 2 match points with sets of 2:0 and rally points of 0:0, 0:0.
- If a team is disqualified during the pool play due to a positive doping test, it will lose all the matches in the pool (played or to be played) by forfeit (see above). It will receive no rank. All of the team's matches in the Pool will be recorded as a forfeit for ranking purposes. (e.g. All winning teams receive Sets 2:0 Rally Points 0:0, 0:0).
- If a team is disqualified after the pool play (after the Drawing of Lots for single elimination phase) of the tournament due to a positive doping test, it will lose the last pool matches played by forfeit (see above). If the single elimination phase has already started and if they have not played yet they forfeit their match and the opponent will be then moved to the next round. The final pool ranking will be maintained. If the team already played its match and won the match, the match result will not be changed, and this team will forfeit the next round. However, if a team is disqualified from the tournament due to a positive doping test after the conclusion of the drawing of lots (for the seeding of the single elimination phase, they will be replaced in the draw directly by the next eligible team(s) eliminated from the tournament to be decided by FIVB/organizer. And the final pool ranking will be maintained. The disqualified team will receive no final ranking. It should be shown on the bottom of the final standing without rank and "DSQ".

In the case of a tie in the pools (match points) during the round robin, the following rules will apply:

Between two teams:

- The team with higher rally points ratio in the matches between all teams in the pool, is ranked higher.

 If a tie still exists by rally points ratio, then the teams have the same position in ranking.

Between three teams:

- If three teams have a tie in the main points, then the top teams are ranked by the rally points ratio in the matches between the three tied teams.
- If a tie still exits, then the teams still tied are ranked by the rally points ratio between all teams in the pool.
- If a tie still exists, then the teams have the same position in the ranking.

Between four teams:

- The ranking is determined by the rally points ratio between all teams in the pool.
- If a tie still exists, then the teams have the same position in the ranking.

In the case of a tie in the pools (match points) at the end of the round robin, the following rules will apply:

Between two teams:

- The team with higher rally points ratio in the matches between all teams in the pool, is ranked higher.
- If a tie still exists, then the winner of head-to-head match is ranked high.

Between three teams:

- Teams are ranked by the rally points ratios in the matches between the three tied teams.
- If a tie still exists, then the teams still tied are ranked by the rally points ratio between all teams in the pool.
- If a tie still exists then the teams still tied are determined by the tournament seeding established at the General Technical Meeting (the better seed of the tied teams ranked higher, i.e. seed 12 is ranked higher than 13).

The first two ranked teams from each pool, and the best four teams that rank third in their respective pools (first by match points, then by set ratio followed by rally point ratio and lastly by tournament seeding established at the general technical meeting), will advance automatically to the final phase. The eight remaining third-ranked teams in each pool will play a four-match lucky loser round (5<sup>th</sup> ranked vs. 12<sup>th</sup> ranked, 6<sup>th</sup> ranked vs. 11<sup>th</sup> ranked, 7<sup>th</sup> ranked vs. 10<sup>th</sup> ranked, while 8<sup>th</sup> ranked vs. 9<sup>th</sup> ranked); the four winning teams in the lucky loser round will also qualify for the final phase, making a total of 32 teams.

#### Single Elimination Phase:

The Single Elimination phase will start with the round of 32, which will be played in single elimination format to qualify sixteen teams for the round of 16.

#### Round of 16

The Round of 16 will be played in single elimination format to qualify eight teams for the quarterfinals.

#### **Quarterfinals & Semi-finals**

The quarterfinals will be played in single elimination format to qualify the 4 teams for the semi-finals.

#### Finals

The winners of the semi-finals will play for the gold medal match and the losers will play the bronze medal match.

# 12. DRAWING OF LOTS AND DISTRIBUTION OF TEAMS IN THE POOLS

Upon the confirmation of the qualified 48 teams, a drawing of lots will be organized by the FIVB on 30 August 2023 to establish the distribution of teams into pools.

All teams will be listed on 25 August 2023, seeded as per the FIVB WCH Entry Points calculated on 21<sup>st</sup> August 2023. For the sake of clarity, the seeding points are based on the sum of ranking points accumulated from the best six (6) finishes over the period of 1<sup>st</sup> February to 21<sup>st</sup> August 2023.

The best host country team (Mexico) will be seeded no. 12 if they are below the top twelve pairs in the seeding list. The best host country team will be seeded no. 1 if they are one of the top twelve pairs in the seeding list.

The other host country team(s) will be placed as per their natural seeding.

The seed no. 1 to seed no. 12 will be placed in each pool (Pool A to L) in accordance with their respective seeding points. In case there is a tie of the seeding points, then the sum of the athlete's technical points as of 21<sup>st</sup> August 2023) will be used to break the tie. If there is still a tie, a drawing of lots will be organized to break any eventual ties in the seeding.

Four draws will be conducted as follows:

- Draw 1: from seed #13 to seed #18 in accordance with seeding points to place the teams into Pool L to G (following the serpentine system).
- Draw 2: from seed #19 to seed #24 in accordance with seeding points to place the teams into Pool F to A (following the serpentine system).
- Draw 3: from seed #25 to seed #36 in accordance with seeding points to place the teams into Pool A to L (following the serpentine system).
- Draw 4: from seed #37 to seed #48 in accordance with seeding points to place the teams into Pool L to A (following the serpentine system).

Teams from the host country (Mexico) cannot be placed in the same pool.

For teams from other countries, a maximum of two (2) teams from the same country can be placed in the same pool. In case the third team is drawn to the same pool where two teams from the same country already placed, the team will be placed aside, and a new draw will be picked.

Pool A	Pool B	Pool C	Pool D	Pool E	Pool F	Pool G	Pool H	Pool I	Pool J	Pool K	Pool L
# 1	# 2	# 3	# 4	# 5	# 6	# 7	# 8	# 9	# 10	# 11	# 12
	Draw 2 Draw 1										
	Draw 3										
	Draw 4										

In case of late withdrawals received after the announcement of the seeding list on 25 August 2023, the procedure stipulated in point 14. Withdrawal Policy will be implemented.

Failure to comply with the below requirements and deadlines for the late withdrawals/disbands or change of athlete after the announcement of the seeding list on 25 August 2023, shall result in applied fines to the athlete(s) concerned for USD 3,000 per athlete.

In addition to the monetary fine, failure to comply with the below requirement and deadline for the late withdrawals/disbands or change of athlete after the announcement of the Confirmed Team Entry List on 25 August 2023 shall result in the event being counted as zero (0) points for the Athlete Entry points calculation for entry and seeding purpose at the FIVB Beach Volleyball tournaments.

# 13. POOL COMPOSITION

Please find the pool composition by following the links below:

Men's Table: https://en.volleyballworld.com/beachvolleyball/competitions/beach-volleyball-worldchampionships-tlaxcala-2023/standings/men/



Women's Table: https://en.volleyballworld.com/beachvolleyball/competitions/beach-volleyball-worldchampionships-tlaxcala-2023/standings/women/

	2023	WOM	EN'S C	DRAW
AMA PATHICIA OLIDA PLACETTE PECHARD ALTIANER ALTIANER CARES		POOL D HERMARDE HERMARDE HERMARDE HERMARDE MICHANNELLE KREALE MICHANNELLE		
			POOL K TULMAANN VICTORIA AUGUSTORIA ALIS	

# 14. SECOND DRAWING OF LOTS AFTER THE POOL PLAY

Two (2) drawings of lots per gender will be conducted in Tlaxcala to determine the single elimination bracket. One will occur after the completion of pool play while the second one will be organized at the end of lucky loser round. Both drawings of lots will be streamed online and the links will be shared closer to the start of the event.

The principles to conduct the drawing of lots after the Pool phase will be as follows: The winners of pools A-L are fixed in positions 1-12. The 2nd and 3rd place teams in each pool will be drawn to the different positions as per the following information and bracket:

Draw 1 = 4 x 2nd place teams with best 4 ratios (Match points, Set ratios, rally point ratios)

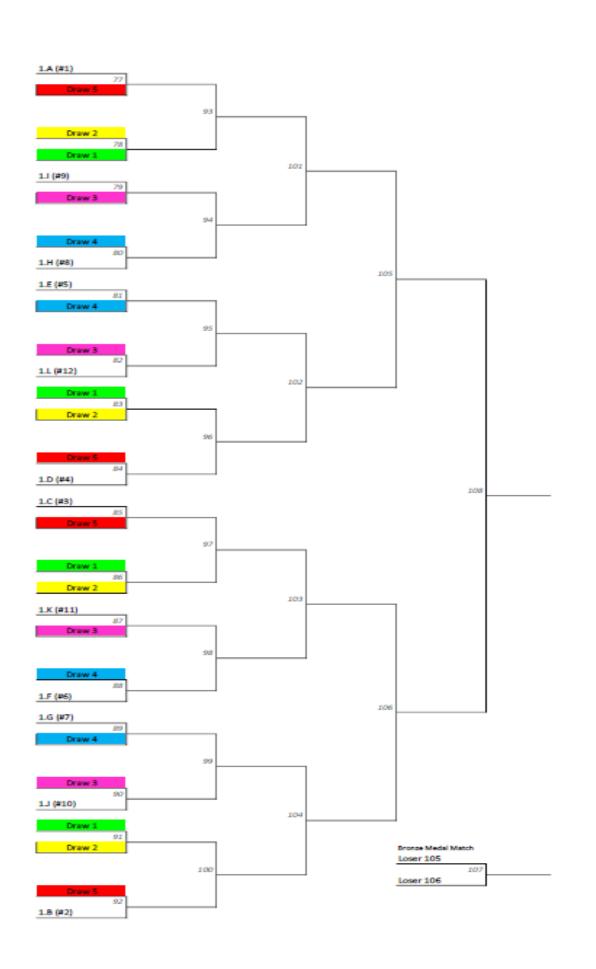
Draw  $2 = 4 \times 2$  nd place teams with ratio 5-8 (Match points, Set ratios, rally point ratios)

**Draw 3** =  $4 \times 2nd$  place teams with worst 4 ratios (Match points, Set ratios, rally point ratios)

Draw 4 = 4 x 3rd place teams with best 4 ratios (Match points, Set ratios, rally point ratios)

Draw 5 = 4 x Lucky Loser winners

Teams from the same pool cannot meet in the round of 32.



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# 15. WITHDRAWAL POLICY

### Up to the Entry Deadline (11 August 2023)

Before the Tentative Entry List deadline, the participating teams may:

- Withdraw or remove a team(s) from an FIVB World Championships directly through the Volleyball Information System (VIS)
- Disband/alter a composition of a team(s) directly through the Volleyball Information System (VIS).

# After the Entry Deadline (11 August 2023) and up to issuance of the Confirmed Entry List (25 August 2023)

After the Entry Deadline (11 August 2023) the participating NFs may:

- Submit through the BVB-03 form (withdrawal request), with the supporting Medical Certificate and proof of travel to FIVB Beach Department, the withdrawal, disband or change of athlete request.
- If the withdrawal, disband or change of athlete request is for an athlete/team in the Main Draw tournament through the Continental Qualification procedure, the new team shall be endorsed by the Confederation concerned as per its Qualification regulations. The FIVB eligibility requirement will also be applied.
- It is not allowed to withdraw an athlete/team entered in the Main Draw tournament of the FIVB Beach Volleyball World Championship to participate in another beach volleyball activity/tournament (national, regional or Continental or any other tournament similar in nature) scheduled at the same time. The athlete/team failing to comply with the above regulation will be subject to the same scale of sanction applied to the no show withdrawal.
- The list of reserve teams is constantly updated until the preliminary inquiry of the Main Draw. Reserve teams must be present at the Preliminary Inquiry of the Main Draw and both players must sign to be registered in the tournament to be considered for the potential inclusion in the event due to late withdrawals or no shows.

#### After 25 August 2023 until 1 minute before the drawing of lots scheduled on 30 August 2023

- The participating NFs may submit through the BVB-03 form (withdrawal request) with the supporting medical certificate and proof of travel to the FIVB Beach Volleyball Department (beachvolleyball@fivb.com) a withdrawal, disband or change of athlete request.
- In case of a withdrawal, disband or change of athlete, who qualified through the Continental Qualification pathway, happens before the drawing of lots scheduled on 30 August 2023, the new team shall be endorsed by the Confederation concerned in writing as per its Confederation qualification regulations, while the FIVB eligibility requirements shall also be applied.
- In case of a withdrawal, disband or change of athlete, who qualified through the FIVB entry ranking, happens before the drawing of lots scheduled on 30 August 2023, the new team shall have enough entry points to maintain its Main Draw position. Otherwise, the team shall be placed in the reserve list and the next eligible team with highest entry points (as of 21 August 2023, Swiss time) from the reserve list will be picked to the Main Draw tournament.

# After the drawing of lots on 30 August 2023 until 1 minute before the finish of the Preliminary Inquiry (5 October 2023):

- The participating NFs may submit through the BVB-03 form (withdrawal request) with the supporting medical certificate and proof of travel to the FIVB Beach Volleyball Department (beachvolleyball@fivb.com) a withdrawal, disband or change of athlete request.
- In case of a disband or change of athlete happens after the drawing of lots scheduled on 30 August 2023 when the pool composition is established, its position in the pool where it is drawn

in the Main Draw tournament will be maintained, provided that the new team has enough entry points to maintain their Main Draw position (for teams qualified from the FIVB entry ranking) or the new team is duly endorsed by the Confederation concerned and meets the FIVB eligibility requirement.

- In case of a withdrawal happens after the drawing of lots scheduled on 30 August 2023 when the pool composition is established, regardless of whether the team qualified from the FIVB entry ranking or the Continental Qualification pathway, its position will be replaced by the next eligible team with the highest entry points (as of 21 August 2023, Swiss time) from the reserve list. However, its position in the pool will also be maintained for the new team picked-up and there is no change of pool composition.
- Reserve team must announce their presence through a format communication in writing to the FIVB Beach Volleyball Department (<u>beachvolleyball@fivb.com</u>) no later than 17:00 CET Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October and must attend the Preliminary inquiry.
- In case one or more withdrawals take place before the finish of the Preliminary Inquiry, the
  reserve team(s) with the highest entry points as of August 21, 2023, Swiss time, after having
  declared their presence at the Preliminary Inquiry and physically attending at the Preliminary
  Inquiry), will be eligible in priority to fill the roster. Amongst the seeded team(s), the one(s) with
  the highest entry points will be replacing the highest vacant seeding position and so on, until
  the roster is filled accordingly.
- Despite the above effort explored, if there are still any vacant seeding position, the teams from the host reserve list will be picked up (in priority of their WCH Entry points as of 21 August 2023, Swiss time)
- The FIVB regulations on the country quotas must be respected during the whole process of withdrawal procedure.

#### No show

If an athlete fails to attend the Preliminary Inquiry and fail to notify the FIVB in advance for the approval of late arrival, that athlete's team is eliminated from the tournament and a fine of \$3,000 USD (Main Draw) is imposed on him/her, unless the FIVB accepts to the reason as "force majeure". The athlete has to prove the circumstances constituting the "force majeure".

In addition to the monetary fine, the no show case shall result in the event being counted as zero (0) points for the Athlete Entry points calculation for entry and seeding purposed at the FIVB Beach Volleyball tournaments. Further regulations may be applied in accordance with the FIVB Disciplinary Regulations.

#### Late Arrival

If an athlete has been confirmed or witnessed in the either of the 3 host cities but arrives late to the Preliminary Inquiry and fail to notify the FIVB in advance for the approval of late arrival, a fine of \$250 USD will be imposed on him/her.

There is a huge risk if the player/team failed to attend the Preliminary Inquiry in due time and upon the decision of the FIVB Technical Delegate assigned, teams that failed to attend the Preliminary Inquiry will be excluded from the tournament concerned and treated as no show.

Special cases of late arrival may be considered as proof of force majeure reason communicated to the FIVB Technical Delegate and FIVB Beach Volleyball Department (before the start of the Preliminary Inquiry) with necessary travel proof, including the issued flight ticket, boarding pass as well as other necessary supporting evidence.

# **16. COMPETITION SCHEDULE (subject to change)**

Phase	Women's Event	Men's Event	
Pool phase	6-9 October 2023	6.0 October 2022	
All 4 Venues	6-9 October 2023	6-9 October 2023	
Lucky Loser	10 October 2023	10 October 2023	
MAT Stadium (Tlaxcala) & Apizaco			
Round of 32	11 October 2023	11 October 2023	
All 4 Venues			
Round of 16	12 October 2023	12 October 2023	
All 4 Venues			
Quarter Finals	13 October 2023	13 October 2023	
All 4 Venues			
Semi finals	14 October 2023	14 October 2023	
Tlaxcala Bullring			
Bronze and Gold medal matches	15 October 2023	15 October 2023	
Tlaxcala Bullring			

The official competition schedule will be published on the World Championships 2023 website.

# **17. FINAL TEAMS RANKING**

For both the men and women's competition the ranking will be as follows:

Rank	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>	17 <sup>th</sup>	33 <sup>rd</sup>	37 <sup>th</sup>
Points per athlete	800	720	640	560	480	400	320	160	80

# 18. PRIZE MONEY

Breakdown of prize money for the World Championships will be as follows:

Rank	Prize Money per Team in USD	Total Prize Money per Place in USD
1st x 1	60.000,00	60.000,00
2nd x 1	45.000,00	45.000,00
3rd x 1	35.000,00	35.000,00
4th x 1	28.000,00	28.000,00
5th x 4	18.000,00	72.000,00
9th x 8	11.000,00	88.000,00
17th x 16	7.000,00	112.000,00
33rd x 4	4.800,00	19.200,00
37th X 12	3.400,00	40.800,00
TOTAL (in USD)		500.000,00

## **19. RULES OF THE GAME**

The Beach Volleyball competition at the 2023 World Championships will be held in accordance with the FIVB Beach Volleyball Official Rules, 2021-2024 which can be found below:

https://www.fivb.com/en/beachvolleyball/thegame\_bvb\_glossary/officialrulesofthegames

In case of disagreement on the interpretation of these regulations, the English Version shall prevail.

## 20. PROTEST AND APPEALS

All protests and appeals will be dealt with as per the FIVB Regulations.

# 21. TRAINING REGULATIONS

## **Training venues**

Location	Date	Distance to the hotel	Transport Time
Tlaxcala Training	23 September to 15	1.2 km	Driving Time: 10 min
Venue (2 courts)	October 2023	1.2 KIII	Walking distance: 15min
Huamantla Training	23 September to 13	3.5 km	Driving Time: 12 min
Venue (1 court)	October 2023	5.5 KIII	Driving Time. 12 min
Apizaco Training	23 September to 13	7.9 km	Driving Time: 12 min
Venue (1 court)	October 2023	7.9 KIII	Driving rime. 12 min

In addition to the competition courts and warm-up courts located in respective host cities, the above training courts are also available for teams' training following the booking system.

The information of training at the competition courts and warm-up courts are as follows:

Location	Familiarization Training	Training through Booking System
Tlaxcala Bullring competition court (1)	4 to 5 October 2023 10 October 2023 12 to 15 October 2023	
MAT Stadium (Tlaxcala) Competition court (1) Huamantla Bullring competition court (1) Apizaco Bullring competition court (1)	4 to 5 October 2023 10 October 2023 12 to 13 October 2023	

Location	Training through Booking System
Tlaxcala Warm-up courts (2)	
Huamantla Bullring Warm-up court (1)	1 to 5 October 2023
Apizaco Bullring Warm-up court (1)	

# **Training Booking Policies**

The familiarization training will be arranged by the FIVB/Volleyball World, together with the organizer, depending on the arrival of participating teams to the tournament. Teams arriving on or before 3<sup>rd</sup> October will benefit from the familiarization training. Each team will be entitled to a session of 45 minutes in their respective competition venue.

For all other trainings, the online booking system at https://fivb.beachcourts.net shall be used.

Please send an email to <u>beachtraining@volleyball.world</u> if any assistance is required with the booking tool and if you are new user subscribed to such link, please ensure you are at least subscribed 24 hours before your first usage to allow the activation of your account. Teams can book a maximum of 1 session of 45 minutes per day. For longer practice sessions, please find another team as training partners, and two teams can book 90 minutes of practice together.

Sign up for training sessions for the next day opens up at 16:00, following first come first served.

## **Fitness Gym**

Fitness gyms are located in athlete's hotel at respective host cities and can be used free of charge.

In addition to the above gyms, two extra gyms are also provided in Tlaxcala as below.

Location	Date	Distance to the hotel	Driving time
Eros Gym	3 to 16 October 2023	290 m	Walking distance: 4min
Divana Training Club	3 to 16 October 2023	2.4 km	Driving Time: 9 min Walking distance: 30min

To book training sessions at the gym, you must use the online booking system (similar to training on the courts).

The schedules and services available will be as follows:

Location	Time	Area	Capacity
Eros Gym	9:00 - 19:00	Gym	5 teams per hour
Eros Gym	10:00 – 18:00	Functional training	4 teams per hour
Divana Training Club	9:00 - 19:00	Gym	5 teams per hour
Divana Training Club	10:00 – 15:00	Swimming pool	5 teams per hour
Divana Training Club	10:00 – 18:00	Functional training	6 teams per hour

## 22. WARM-UP AND MATCH PROTOCOL

One (1) official warm up court will be provided in each competition venue of Apizaco Bullring and MAT Stadium (Tlaxcala) within walking distance, while one (1) official warm up court will be provided near the city center for the Tlaxcala Bulling and Huamantla Bullring, which is about 500 meters in walking and golf carts will be available to transport the team to the competition venue.

The warm-up manager will update the teams of the scorers of the last match.

Further details on the run-down of match protocols can be accessed here: coming soon.

# 23. TECHNOLOGIES

## Video Challenge System

Only all matches in the Tlaxcala Bullring will be equipped with Video Challenge System.

The latest FIVB Beach Volleyball Challenge System Regulations are available at the following link:

https://www.fivb.com/-

/media/2023/beachvolleyball/2023\_fivb\_beachvolleyball\_challenge\_system\_regulations.pdf?la=en&ha sh=77B64021AC47879C29650E2D677B80D5

## 24. ACCREDITATIONS

Organizer will provide all Organizing Committee members, FIVB Officials, referees, athletes, VIPs, journalists, technical staff, court personnel, volunteers, etc. with an official accreditation card and will ensure that only people with appropriate accreditation will access the designated venue areas.

Organizers will provide accreditation cards for a maximum of 3 delegation members per team including coach, physiotherapist, trainer, etc. The National Federation/team may purchase additional accreditations for \$100 USD each and will benefit from local transportation (including airport transfer) and venue access.

For the NF representative who will stay with multiple teams during the tournament, please specify your needs when you submit the accreditation forms no later than 11 September 2023, so that the organizer can evaluate and prepare the new accreditation if necessary.

The appropriate forms (for coaches and physiotherapists) are available at the following link of **Event** Playbook: Link

The forms shall be sent to no later than 15 September 2023.

### VALIDATION OF ACCREDITATIONS

- 1. All accreditations will be valid for the areas and access zones that are printed on it, in a period from September 23rd to October 13th.
- Accreditations must have a special hologram for the Semifinal and final phase that will be granted at the Tlaxcala operational center.
- 3. If the accreditation does not have the hologram, it will not be valid.
- 4. Only the teams classified to Semifinals and finals will be creditors of this hologram.

# 25. TRANSPORTATION FOR ATHLETES

#### Airport transport

All Main Draw athletes, as well as up to maximum 3 delegation members accredited will be provided free airport transfer to/from respective host cities. Additional accreditation can be purchased by National Federation/team at the cost of \$100 USD each and will include the airport transfer.

The forms shall be sent to no later than 15 September 2023.

## Local transport

There is no local transport needed for competition venues in Tlaxcala, while for Huamantla and Apizaco, all Main Draw athletes, as well as up to maximum 3 delegation members accredited will be provided free local transportation to the competition venue, warm-up court and training courts.

In addition, the organizer will also provide transport between Huamantla and Apizaco, Huamantla and Tlaxcala, as well as between Apizaco and Tlaxcala. This shuttle is based on 3 times a day, depending on the start and finish time of each session, and will be free for all athletes and accredited delegation members. The shuttle schedule will be shared prior to the tournament.

## 26. TRANSPORTATION FOR OFFICIALS

All officials including delegates and referees, as well as the staff will be provided with airport transfer and local transportation whenever needed.

Information regarding airport and local transport for the officials will be provided at a later stage separately.

# 27. BOARD & LODGING

## Athletes

There will be three official hotels for the 2023 FIVB Beach Volleyball Championships - the San Francisco Hotel in Tlaxcala, the Hacienda Soltepec Hotel in Huamantla and the Holiday Inn in Apizaco. The Players will have one double room per team from Wednesday 4 October 2023 (15:00 onwards until the morning after elimination from the tournament.

Hotel Addresses:

### *Tlaxcala – San Francisco Hotel* Plaza de la Constitución 17, Centro, 90000 Tlaxcala de Xicohténcatl, Tlaxcala *Huamantla - Hacienda Soltepec* Huamantla - Puebla Km. 3, 90505 Ignacio Zaragoza, Tlaxcala *Apizaco – Holiday Inn* Carretera Tlaxcala-Apizaco Km 10 Santa María Atlihuetzia, 90459 Tlaxcala

## Officials

For FIVB Technical Delegate and FIVB Referee Coach, they will be accommodated in the same hotel specified above.

For FIVB referees in Huamantla and Apizaco, they will be accommodated in the same hotel specified above, while for referees in Tlaxcala, they will be accommodated in Hotel La Loma.

## **Hotel Reservation**

For hotel reservation of other delegation members, please contact with Yuridiana Torres accommodation@mundialtlaxcala2023.com

For hotel reservation of family & friends, please contact: logisticstlaxcala2023@gmail.com they will be happy to help your family & friends in order to get the best option for hotel, meals and transportation.

More information is available at Event Playbook: Link

## Catering

For both players and officials, meals will be provided as follows

	Tlaxcala	Apizaco	Huamantla
Breakfast 6:30 – 10:00	San Francisco Hotel	Holiday Inn Hotel	Soltepec Hotel
Lunch 12:30 – 16:00	San Francisco Hotel	Venue	Venue
Dinner 19:30 – 23:00	San Francisco Hotel	Holiday Inn Hotel	Soltepec Hotel

## 28. TEAM VIDEO CAMERA POLICY

FIVB/Volleyball World will provide team video service at the FIVB Beach Volleyball World Championships 2023. Please follow the below access to download the match videos:

- Link: <u>https://fivb-</u> my.sharepoint.com/:f:/g/personal/content\_volleyball\_world/Em\_70OcqFOJPhgRc4Rz44koBTX mcyAdl-hWWkPfLbfSlsw?e=zi3wpz
- Password: ProTour2023

# 29. CLOTHING, EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES

In principle, the clothing, equipment, and accessories used at the World Championships shall follow the general regulations stipulated in Chapter 8 of FIVB Beach Volleyball Sport Operations Manual. (The link is <a href="https://www.fivb.com/en/beachvolleyball/tools">https://www.fivb.com/en/beachvolleyball/tools</a>).

In addition, a specific Athlete Uniform Guidelines for World Championships 2023 has been circulated on 27 February 2023. For the first time National Federations and teams will be allowed to wear their own competition shirts/tops as has been done in multi-sports Games including Olympic Games. The intention is to allow National Federations and teams to use the uniform that best represents their cultural identity and promotes national pride. In addition, it will provide extra exposure of the uniform manufacturer associated with the National Federation and individual team at World Championships, which is the largest beach volleyball competition in 2023.

For any inquiry, please contact: uniforms@volleyball.world.

# **30. MATERIAL & SPORT EQUIPMENT**

All the material for the competition venues, warm-up areas, and training venues will comply with FIVB rules and regulations.

Mikasa Ball Type BV550C (Specially designed for the 2023 Tlaxcala World Championships) will be the official ball for the 2023 FIVB Beach Volleyball World Championships. The net posts, post protections, net antennae, nets, lines, and referee's chair will be provided by Senoh in accordance with the FIVB Regulations.

The sand of the playing courts, warm-up courts and training courts will be in accordance with the 2021-2024 Official Beach Volleyball Rules. The FIVB official sand laboratory in Canada has defined and approved the sand to be used for the 2023 FIVB Beach Volleyball World Championships with the specifications of the mix as per the sand specification.

## 31. Ticketing

Tickets are available at <u>boletomovil.com</u>.

#### ATHLETES' PROMO CODE: Famtlx2023

Share this promo code with your loved ones and get 15% off to buy tickets on boletomovil.com.

This promo applies to any purchase from august 31<sup>st</sup> until September 10<sup>th</sup>.

Maximum 4 tickets per purcshase.

## 32. INSURANCE, MEDICAL SERVICES & DOPING CONTROL

All players are required to hold their own medical insurance.

### **Medical Services in Venues**

For athletes a medical team will be on duty at any given time in each city. 4 doctors and 2 physiotherapists will take care of athletes' health. A medical area equipped with massage tables and various medical equipment will be located within the stadium facilities in each city of Tlaxcala, Huamantla and Apizaco.

## **Doping Control Station**

The Doping Control Station will be located at each city. Chaperones will take care of players that have been chosen for testing.

## 33. MEDALS & TROPHY

Top three ranked teams will receive a medal and the trophy will be awarded to the winner of the 2023 FIVB Beach Volleyball World Championships.

## 34. SPORT INFORMATION

## The Sport Information Desk (SID)

Sport Information Desk is set up at Athlete hotel of each city to provide information and assistance to the participating teams.

# **35. USEFUL CONTACTS**

## **FIVB**

FIVB Beach Volleyball Department	beachvolleyball@fivb.com	
Volleyball World Event Operations team	beachworldchamps@volleyball.world	
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FIVB Technical Delegate (Huamantla) – Leading	Mr. Marcelo Wangler (BRA)	
Assistant	marcelo.wangler@voleysur.org	
FIVB Technical Delegate (Apizaco)	Mr. Christopher Schrenk (AUT)	
Tivb reclinical belegate (Apizaco)	office@christopherschrenk.at	
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