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Competition Regulations

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A. QUALIFIED TEAMS

BU17	Team country	Qualified as
Organiser	QATAR	Host Country
Current World Champion	ITALY	BU17 World Champion 2024
AVC	PAKISTAN IRAN INDIA JAPAN	2025 Asian Boys' U16 Championship winner 2025 Asian Boys' U16 Championship runner-up 2025 Asian Boys' U16 Championship fourth place 2025 Asian Boys' U16 Championship fifth place
CAVB	EGYPT TUNISIA ALGERIA	2025 African Boys' U16 Championship winner 2025 African Boys' U16 Championship runner-up 2025 African Boys' U16 Championship third place
CEV	*ITALY SPAIN FRANCE POLAND CZECHIA ROUMANIA *TÜRKIYE	2025 European Boys' U16 Championship winner 2025 European Boys' U16 Championship runner-up 2025 European Boys' U16 Championship third place 2025 European Boys' U16 Championship fourth place 2025 European Boys' U16 Championship fifth place 2025 European Boys' U16 Championship sixth place 2025 European Boys' U16 Championship seventh place
CSV	BRAZIL ARGENTINA VENEZUELA	2025 South American Boys' U16 Championship winner 2025 South American Boys' U16 Championship runner-up 2025 South American Boys' U16 Championship third place
NORCECA	PUERTO RICO CUBA USA MEXICO	2025 NORCECA Boys' U16 Championship runner-up 2025 NORCECA Boys' U16 Championship third place 2025 NORCECA Boys' U16 Championship fourth place 2025 NORCECA Boys' U16 Championship fifth place
As per World Ranking not yet qualified	CHINESE TAIPEI BULGARIA	FIVB BU17 World Ranking on 01 JAN 2026

*** As the current World Champion country, ITALY is granted a place in the competition, therefore the seventh-placed best ranked team at the 2025 CEV Boys' U16 Championship, TÜRKIYE, qualifies as a next eligible nation.**

B. POOLS

POOL A	POOL B	POOL C	POOL D	POOL E	POOL F
QAT	ITA	ARG	ESP	IRI	TPE
MEX	TUN	PUR	CUB	BRA	EGY
FRA	IND	PAK	VEN	BUL	USA
POL	ROU	ALG	CZE	JPN	TÜR

C. TRAVEL INFORMATION
Official arrival / departure of FIVB Delegation / Service Providers & Teams

Role	Arrival	Departure
Teams	Monday, 17 August (D-2)	Last Match Day +1
CC President	Sunday, 16 August (D-3)	Sunday, 30 August (D+1)
Technical Delegate		
Technical Delegate Assistant		
FIVB Staff		
Referee Coaches	Monday, 17 August (D-2)	
FIVB Referees		
Medical Delegate		
VIS Delegate		
VolleyStation Technicians		
Media Operations Delegate		
FIVB Photographers		
Technical Operators		
Bolt 6 Technicians (VCS)		

To facilitate the logistics and accommodation plan, each participating NF shall communicate to the LOC as soon as possible:

- Earlier arrival and later departure request.
- Early check-in & late check-out request. Hotel check-in is at 14h00 & check-out is at 12h00.
- Exact number of Team Delegation members.
- Rooming list.

All the additional costs, including those related to early check-in and/or late check-out, must be borne by the team delegation.

D. MATCH SCHEDULE



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E. TRAINING SCHEDULE

The final version of the **TRAINING SCHEDULE** will be provided by the Organiser upon your arrival.

F. SPECIFIC COMPETITION REGULATIONS

The **QATAR VOLLEYBALL FEDERATION** (Organiser), affiliated with the Fédération Internationale de Volleyball (FIVB), has been entrusted by the latter with the organisation of the **FIVB Boys' U17 World Championship 2026**.

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1. COMPETITION CALENDAR & OTHER ACTIVITIES

19 – 29 Aug 2026	COMPETITION PERIOD
Sunday, 16 Aug. (Day -3)	Arrival of FIVB Control Committee, FIVB Technical Delegate & FIVB staff Joint CC/OC meeting (CC Officials & Key staff from the Host OC)
Monday, 17 Aug. (Day -2)	CC Inspection - Hotels, Transportation, Sports Material, Documents Check, Training Halls, Competition Halls Arrival of FIVB Referees, Referee Coaches, & FIVB Officials Arrival of Teams Joint CC/OC meeting (CC Officials and Key staff from the Host OC), Training
Tuesday, 18 Aug. (Day -1)	Preliminary Inquiry Joint CC/OC meeting Press Conference with the Head Coaches/individual interview upon request. Final Inspection - Competition venues, Team Doctors Meeting Dress Rehearsal – including medical staff, line judges, scorers, ball retrievers, moppers, official speaker & 2 teams for a match simulation, Training
Wednesday, 19 Aug. (Day 1)	RC/Referee meeting Joint CC/OC meeting Competition Day 1: (Pool Phase – 6 matches)
Thursday, 20 Aug. (Day 2)	RC/Referee meeting Joint CC/OC meeting Competition Day 2: (Pool Phase – 6 matches)
Friday, 21 Aug. (Day 3)	RC/Referee meeting Joint CC/OC meeting Competition Day 3: (Pool Phase – 6 matches)
Saturday, 22 Aug. (Day 4)	RC/Referee meeting Joint CC/OC meeting Competition Day 4: (Pool Phase – 6 matches)
Sunday, 23 Aug. (Day 5)	RC/Referee meeting Joint CC/OC meeting Competition Day 5: (Pool Phase – 6 matches)
Monday, 24 Aug. (Day 6)	RC/Referee meeting Joint CC/OC meeting Competition Day 6: (Pool Phase – 6 matches)
Tuesday, 25 Aug. (Day 7)	RC/Referee meeting Joint CC/OC meeting Competition Day 7: (Round of 16 – 8 matches)
Wednesday, 26 Aug. (Day 8)	Joint CC/OC meeting Rest Day & Training
Thursday, 27 Aug. (Day 9)	RC/Referee meeting Joint CC/OC meeting Competition Day 8: (Quarter Finals – 4 matches)
Friday, 28 Aug. (Day 10)	RC/Referee meeting Joint CC/OC meeting Competition Day 9: (Semi Finals – 2 matches)
Saturday, 29 Aug. (Day 12)	RC/referee meeting Joint CC/OC meeting Competition Day 9: (Finals – 2 matches) Closing & Awards Ceremony
Sunday, 30 Aug. (Day +1)	Departure of the last Teams, FIVB Officials, and FIVB Referees

2. KEY MEETINGS:

DATE	MEETINGS
Monday, 17 Aug. (Day -2)	CC President & Technical Delegates Inspection (Hotels, Transportation, Training Halls, Competition Halls, etc.) Joint CC/OC meeting
Tuesday, 18 Aug. (Day -1)	Preliminary Inquiry Social Media Workshop for Athletes Joint CC/OC meeting Team Doctors meeting Final Inspection Dress Rehearsal

3. HOST CITIES, AIRPORTS, HALLS, HOTELS

3.1 Host Cities

The FIVB Boys' U17 World Championship 2026 will be held in Doha, Qatar.

3.2 Airports of arrival / departure

The designated arrival and departure airport for the teams are "HAMAD INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT" located in Doha, Qatar.

3.3 Competition Halls

Host City	Name	Address
DOHA	#1 ASPIRE LADIES HALL	Sand Trail, Doha, Ad-Dawhah
	#2 AL ARABI SPORTS CLUB	Al Salata Al Jadeeda, Doha

3.4 Training Halls

Host City	Name	Address
DOHA	#1 QATAR VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION HALL	-
	#2 QATAR SPORTS CLUB	-
	#3 QATAR SPORTS CLUB	-

4. ACCOMMODATION, TRAVEL, VISA

- All teams are required to arrange and finance international travel expenses for their entire delegation.
- The Organiser is responsible for aiding and facilitating the entry visa procedure for all participants. They will communicate early notifications and issue proper invitation letters to officials, referees, and NFs once the participating teams are confirmed.
- Full cooperation and adherence to specified deadlines by participating Teams, Officials, and Referees are crucial to prevent any potential delays in visa issuance and entry procedures.
- The Organiser offers airport transfers to/from official airports for participating teams, officials, and referees, in addition to local transportation during the competition.
- Participating teams will be provided with transportation services for inter-city moves between pools, along with transportation arrangements to return to the initial arrival airport post the competition.
- The FIVB provides a team travel allowance to each National Federation in [NF Category 1&2](#). Individual details of travel allowances will be communicated via email upon team's qualification to the event. The Team Travel Allowance is established based on an average estimated cost of the international travel expenses for up to 19 delegation members (14 athletes + 5 team officials, Economy Class) from/to the official airport. This amount, determined by the FIVB's official travel agency, is transferred directly to the respective National Federation, which is solely responsible for booking the flight tickets.

4.1. **Accommodation**

- The LOC shall cover accommodation and local living costs for a maximum of 19 persons per Team Delegation from D-2 (official arrival day) until **the day after** the team's elimination or the end of the competition.
- Accommodation is covered from official hotel check-in time with until official hotel check-out time with breakfast. Any extra nights, early arrivals, late departures or additional delegation members shall be at the expense of the respective NF as per the Rate Card.
- Any damages need to be claimed by directly the respective party within 24 hours.

5. TEAM ENTRY

5.1. **Entry Regulations**

- a. The FIVB Boys' U17 World Championship 2026 is open for the National Teams of those National Volleyball Federations that are affiliated with the FIVB and respect their obligations and financial responsibilities about the FIVB and their Confederations.

- b. **National team entry deadline**

Twenty-four (24) national teams qualified to the Event were asked to confirm its participation in the Event, by **January 30, 2026**.

- c. **Up to the deadline for national team entry**

If a National Federation declares the non-participation of its duly qualified team or simply does not send its national entry before the deadline (above), such team will be replaced by the team directly following it in the classification of the qualification pathway in which the defaulting team obtained its qualification, except when the FIVB Board of Administration decides otherwise.

- d. **After the deadline for national team entry**

If a National Federation withdraws its team from the Event after having entered it within the deadline, the team will be replaced by the next eligible team from the respective qualification

pathway. The National Federation of the team that withdraws will be sanctioned in accordance with the FIVB Disciplinary Regulations.

5.2. Entry Fee

Not later than **19 June 2026**, each qualified Federation must send its entry fee directly to the Organiser as per the following scale based on the category of the federation:

NF Category	1 & 2	3	4	5
Entry Fee	USD 1,000	USD 3,000	USD 7,000	USD 10,000

5.3. Players' Eligibility

5.3.1. A player is eligible to play for a National Team if he / she has each of the following:

- a. the nationality of the country he / she represents, proving this by means of a passport or other valid, government issued document confirming his / her nationality; and
- b. the National Federation as his / her Federation of Origin; and
- c. an Anti-Doping Certificate demonstrating that he / she has successfully completed the [FIVB Play Clean Program](#); and
- d. an E-Learning Course on Prevention of Competition Manipulation Certificate demonstrating that he / she has successfully completed the [FIVB E-Learning Course on Prevention of Competition Manipulation](#); and
- e. an E-Learning Course on Safeguarding demonstrating that she/he has successfully completed the FIVB Safeguarding Course.

5.3.2. The nationality of a player is justified by means of a passport or other authentic document issued by the authorities of the country of the National Federation. The Federation of Origin is verified using VIS (the FIVB shall verify the player's Federation of Origin by conducting an eligibility check upon receipt of the Long List and O-2 Form of the relevant team).

5.3.3. The players must have been born **on or after 1 January 2010** and the date of birth will be verified by passport or other valid, government issued document (e.g. National ID, birth certificate).

5.3.4. Please note important amendments to the [FIVB Sports Regulations](#) were approved to allow for more flexibility for younger athletes. Please refer to Articles 2.4.2.1 more details.

5.3.5. **The players cannot play in more than two age categories (incl. Senior) for National Federations in Categories 4 and 5.**

5.3.6. In accordance with Article 2.2.1 of the FIVB Sports Regulations, **only two (2) players** who have changed Federation of Origin can be listed on the final roster for a given event.

5.3.7. Once the passports or other legal documents have been checked and accepted by the FIVB Control Committee during the Preliminary Inquiry, the OC will provide the accreditations for each team delegation. Before each match, the accreditations must be presented to the Technical Delegate, and each Team Manager must keep the players' passports ready in the event that the player is subject to doping control.

5.3.8. In the event that a player is subject to a sanction disqualifying her/him from participating in volleyball competitions by the FIVB after her/his registration on the O-2 Form, the concerned

player shall not be allowed to be registered on the O-2bis Form for the relevant week(s) covering the sanction or to be replaced on the O-2 Form. In the event that a player is subject to a sanction disqualifying her/him from participating in volleyball competitions by the FIVB after her/his registration on the O-2bis Form, the concerned player shall not be allowed to be replaced on the O-2bis Form for the week in which the sanction is issued. The sanction of the concerned player will be reflected on the score sheet with the player's name and the note "suspended" for the matches covered by the sanction.

5.3.9. Each Team must have **a minimum of twelve (12) and maximum of fourteen (14) players** for the Event.

5.4. Team Registration

NFs are responsible for registering their Team Delegation through the VIS. Login details are provided by the FIVB to each NF.

5.4.1. Key Milestones

The following milestones apply regarding the team registration:



5.4.2. National Team Season Long List (Long List) – 03 June 2026

By **3 June 2026**, each National Federation must submit their National Team Season Long List of players for the season (as per FIVB Event Regulations, art. 4.6) to the FIVB via VIS.

Each National Federation may submit as many names on its Long List as it wishes and the players on the Long List shall be prevented from obtaining International Transfer Certificates (ITCs) during this time unless otherwise released from the Long List by the National Federation.

Once the Long List has been submitted, a National Federation may add up to six (6) players in total per sex/gender category and per season to the Long List prior to the O-2 deadline of the respective event.

Once a player is released from the Long List, he/she may not be selected or added back to the Long List for the same National Team season.

Together with the Long List, the NF must submit/upload through the VIS the following for each player:

- Valid passport/national ID copy
- Individual player's photo (passport format)

5.4.3. O-2 Form – 6 weeks before

- 5.4.3.1. No later than **six (6) weeks** before the opening of the Event, the team NF, having previously sent its national entry, shall generate and sign electronically in [VIS](#), its O-2 Form of Team Delegation members. This should comprise of a **maximum of twenty-five (25) players** from previously registered on the National Team Season Long List, including all Team Officials and indicating the team Captain.
- 5.4.3.2. After the deadline and submission of the signed O-2 Form, the participating NF **cannot** make any changes in the players roster on that Form.
- 5.4.3.3. All players and Team Officials registered on O-2 Form must have previously obtained the Anti-Doping, E-Learning Course on Prevention of Competition Manipulation and Safeguarding certificates by completing the respective online courses on the [FIVB E-Learning platform](#).
- 5.4.3.4. For participation in the Event, [Annex 1 and Annex 2](#) (both only for players) of the [Code of Conduct](#) shall be signed individually by each player registered on O-2 Form directly on their personal VIS profile, before O-2 Form submission. User guide: [How to accept agreements | VIS Web Manager](#)
- 5.4.3.5. For participation in the Event, the FIVB Health Certificate ([M-3 Form](#)) shall be signed individually by each player registered on O-2 Form and by the medical doctor trained in sports medicine, and be uploaded on the VIS profile of the concerned player under the documentation tab, before O-2 Form submission.
- 5.4.3.6. Together with the O-2 Form, the NF must submit / upload through the [VIS](#) the following:

For each player:

- Photos as per [Team Registration Guideline](#)
- Personal data (birth date, weight and height, highest reach at spiking and blocking, etc.)
- Valid personal email address and phone number
- Players' names pronunciation as per [Team Registration Guideline](#)
- Signed [Code of Conduct Annexes 1 & 2](#)
- Health Certificate ([M-3 Form](#))

For the team:

- Team photo as per [Team Registration Guideline](#)

For each Team Official:

- Photos as per [Team Registration Guideline](#)
- Team Officials' names pronunciation as per [Team Registration Guideline](#)

For the step-by-step registration procedure, please refer to the [Team Registration Guideline](#). In case of any questions related to the team registration process, please contact volleyball.teams@fivb.com.

5.4.4. O-2bis Form – at the Preliminary Inquiry

- 5.4.4.1. The O-2bis Form shall consist of **12-14 players** from the 25 players previously registered on the O-2 Form, without changing the individual players' t-shirt numbers and names, and shall indicate the Team Officials going to the Event. The O-2bis Form shall be signed electronically in [VIS](#) by all members registered on it, as well as by the team's NF, and submitted through VIS before the Preliminary Inquiry meeting.
- 5.4.4.2. By individually signing the O-2bis Form, players and Team Officials agree and accept the terms of the [Code of Conduct](#) in its integrity.

5.4.5. Medical Replacements on O-2bis Form

5.4.5.1. Teams may change **up to two (2) players** registered on the O-2bis Form, due to medical reasons or unforeseen events duly proven, in the period **between the Preliminary Inquiry and 1st Daily Bulletin publication**. In this case, the new player(s) must have been listed on the O-2 Form and can play at any moment upon arrival after having been accredited by the Organising Committee. The expenses incurred in changing the players are at full cost of the respective team's NF. No changes will be allowed **after the 1st Daily Bulletin Publication**.

5.5 Team Composition

5.5.1. Team Delegation members

5.5.1.1. The official team delegation is comprised of 14 players and five (5) Team Officials.

5.5.1.2. The following Team Official roles must be fulfilled:

- a. Team Manager,
- b. Head Coach,
- c. One (1) Doctor (FIVB accredited) or one (1) Physiotherapist (FIVB accredited).

5.5.1.3. Each Team Delegation shall comprise a minimum of one (1) medical staff member at any time as described above & e.g. In the event that the official Team Delegation includes only one (1) medical staff member position out of the two (2) possible, the vacant position can be used to register another Team Official.

5.5.1.4. The Organiser covers board and lodging for up to 14 players and 5 Team Officials.

5.5.1.5. Extra Team Officials (2nd Assistant Coach, Physical Trainer, Statistician, General Manager, Team Interpreter) may be added to a Team Delegation but may be accredited only when their local travel and accommodation and other necessary expenses are paid in advance by the respective NF to the Organiser.

5.5.1.6. The Organiser will take care of all reservations requested before **19 June 2026** only. If no notice has been given in time, the Organiser will not accept any responsibility for the provision for extra persons.

5.5.2. Team Officials on the Bench

5.5.2.1. The Head Coach and a maximum of four (4) Team Officials registered on the O-2bis Form may be seated on the team bench.

5.5.2.2. The Team Manager and the Team Media staff are not allowed to sit on the team bench.

5.5.2.3. Extra Team Officials who are not seated on the team bench, shall be seated in a designated area in the Competition Hall.

5.5.3. Libero

- a. The Head Coach of a Team can change the Libero(s) between each match through the Short List (O-2bis) Form. The Team Manager/Head Coach must inform the FIVB Technical Delegate **no later than one (1) hour before a match** if a Team wishes to change the Libero(s) from those selected for the previous match.
- b. For further details regarding libero nomination, please refer to point 17.2.4 (Rule Tests - Team Roster).

5.5.4. Team Doctor and Physiotherapist

- a. Only Doctors/Physiotherapists having the FIVB Team Doctor's/Physiotherapist's Accreditation (pdf file) will be authorized to sit on the team bench.

- b. New Doctors/ Physiotherapists with no FIVB registration number must be accredited by the FIVB Medical Department by no later than **six (6) weeks prior to the Event**, according to Section H of the [FIVB Medical and Anti-Doping Regulations](#). Please contact medical@fivb.com for more information on the matter.

5.5.5. **Team Manager**

The Team Manager is expected to have experience in team management at international competitions and **must speak English**. His/her main duties are:

- a. Coordination and responsibility of the Team Delegation. This includes flight confirmation and adjustments, visa matters, preparation and attendance at the Preliminary Inquiry with all required documents, certificates, team equipment and accessories.
- b. Coordination between media and players. This is the responsibility of the Team Manager to make sure that the Captain and Head Coach attend all the Media Activities associated to the Event.
- c. Communication with other National Teams, the OC and FIVB Officials and Service Providers.

5.5.6. **Team Statisticians**

- a. Each Team is allowed a maximum of two (2) Team Statisticians to be seated in the allocated area behind the service line during that Team's respective match.
- b. Each Team is allowed a maximum of one (1) Team Statistician to be seated in the allocated area behind the service line during other Teams' matches of their Pool.

5.5.7. **Team Journalist (if any)**

- a. A maximum of one (1) journalist may be accredited by FIVB and may be designated as a Team Journalist for the competition.
- b. It is mandatory to obtain the FIVB media accreditation. For the FIVB media accreditation, please register through the accreditation platform: [JWCH 2026 - Media Accreditation Form](#)

5.5.8. **Team Videographer (if any)**

- a. It is recommended that a Team Journalist is assigned as a Team Videographer and carries out the duties of the Team Journalist.
- b. It is mandatory to obtain the FIVB media accreditation. For the FIVB media accreditation, please register through the accreditation platform: [JWCH 2026 - Media Accreditation Form](#)

6. MEDICAL & ANTI-DOPING

First aid and medical care will be provided by the Organiser under the control of the FIVB Medical Delegate.

6.1.1. Referees' control may be organised in accordance with the FIVB Medical Regulations in each competition hall.

6.1.2. Nominated referees and officials are obliged to present an annual health certificate (M-4 (for FIVB referees) & M-7 (for FIVB officials)) to the FIVB Medical Department for approval and said certificates shall be issued by a certified medical doctor.

6.2. Participating Teams' Medical Obligations

6.2.1. Each team NF / Team Delegation shall ensure its players and (where appropriate the Team Delegation) comply with the medical eligibility requirements.

6.2.2. FIVB medical accreditations (printed pdf files) for Team Doctors and Physiotherapists are mandatory and must be presented at the Preliminary Inquiry. Team NFs must request validation (if not done prior) from the FIVB Medical Department by no later than six (6) weeks before the Event.

6.2.3. With reference to the FIVB Event Regulations – Chapter 17, Article 95.2 of the FIVB Event Regulations, all NF's are required to take out their own third-party liability and medical insurance in respect of their Team Delegation for all national team activities and off days during the Event.

6.2.4 The FIVB undertakes to provide medical coverage for all athletes, coaches and NF officials from two days before the start of the Event until one day after its end in accordance with an insurance policy paid for by the FIVB. This insurance policy is limited to the scope of coverage provided in the insurance policy and supplemental to any insurance provided by NFs for their national teams. The insurance coverage will be limited to medical issues occurring during the Event period described above. Any pre-existing medical conditions existing prior to the match days should be disclosed immediately and shall not be covered unless it falls under the scope of coverage defined in the FIVB's insurance policy.

6.2.5. All National Federations waive any claims against the LOC, Volleyball World and the FIVB for sport injuries sustained during the Event (as defined in the [FIVB Medical & Anti-Doping Regulations](#)).

6.3. Participating Teams' Anti-Doping Obligations

6.3.1. Doping controls will be conducted under the supervision of the dedicated FIVB Technical Officials with the cooperation of the FIVB Medical Delegate and ITA (International Testing Agency) in accordance with the [FIVB Medical and Anti-Doping Regulations](#).

6.3.2. If a player wishes to request a Therapeutic Use Exemption because the player has been prescribed a substance for a medical condition that contains a prohibited substance, the player must request the Therapeutic Use Exemption as soon as the need arises and, in any event, (save for in emergency or exceptional situations) at least thirty (30) days before the Event using the appropriate form to be submitted to tue@ita.sport and medical@fivb.com.

6.3.3. Members of Team Delegations who wish to participate in the Event must acquire the FIVB Anti-Doping Certificate first, at the latest, by the deadline for the O-2bis Form. The FIVB Play Clean Program can be accessed at [FIVB E-Learning](#).

6.3.4. Each Team Delegation shall ensure that its players are aware of their anti-doping rights and obligations.

7. UNIFORM REGULATIONS

7.1. Players' Uniform

- 7.1.1. The playing uniform must comply with the [FIVB Event Regulations – Article 4.9, Chapter 6 and Annex A](#) (incorporating uniform standards) previously circulated, where the location of the Country and Last (Family) Name and the size of the numbers are clearly indicated.
- 7.1.2. Each team must have three (3) sets of playing uniforms available, each one of a different colour. The players' numbers must be the same on each of the O-2 and O-2bis Forms and uniforms.
- 7.1.3. The playing uniforms of the Team Captain and the Libero (if different) must be presented during the Preliminary Inquiry.
- 7.1.4. Any accessories used by the players during the Event (e.g., knee protectors (knee pads), elbow protectors (elbow pads), player's hand towels, head bands, wrist bands etc.) cannot display any advertising. Any manufacturer's logo displayed on these accessories cannot be greater than 6 cm².
- 7.1.5. Undergarments must not be visible under the uniform (shorts or jersey) and in any event must be of the same colour as the uniform.
- 7.1.6. Compression pads are approved but are required to be of the same colour design as the uniform. No padding is allowed in the forearm compression pads, as it provides advantages to the players' performances. Neutral colours, black or white are acceptable. Teams using compression pads must be uniform in colour /design for all players.
- 7.1.7. Per the decision of the FIVB Board of Administration (May 2026), the [FIVB Event Regulations, Annex A Article A.3.1.2 Uniform Shorts](#) article is expanded to allow varied length uniform bottoms for female athletes, which may vary from athlete to athlete on the same team. For the avoidance of doubt, manufacturer, sponsor and player number application remains the same. Equally, the same colour of the bottoms applies, while dark colours (black or navy) are recommended.

7.2. Special Uniforms

- 7.2.1. A player may request to wear a special uniform to the extent that any religions and cultural norms and/ or customs are impacted by the standard uniform options available. National Federations shall submit a written request to the FIVB Volleyball Department prior to the respective event. The FIVB reserves the right to decline an application if there is no evidence that the standard uniform options limit the religions cultural norms and/or customs.

7.3. Team Officials' Uniform

- 7.3.1. The maximum of five (5) Team Officials on the bench (as approved in the Preliminary Inquiry) must conform to the following dress code options:

- All of the Team Officials must wear the official warm up suit and polo shirt of their Team Delegation, **or**
- All of the Team Officials must wear the polo shirt and dress trousers of their Team Delegation, **or**
- All of the Team Officials must wear dress jacket, collared dress shirt, tie and formal slacks of the same colour and style.

Each Team Official on the bench may choose, based on individual preference, between wearing a warm-up jacket or polo shirt / between wearing a dress jacket or collared dress shirt, as long as the items are part of the team's uniform apparel previously approved by the FIVB.

- 7.3.2. However, any Team Officials wearing dress jacket, collared dress shirt, tie and formal slacks will **not** be allowed on the Playing Court during the official pre-match protocol.
- 7.3.3. Extra Team Officials (if any) must wear the official warm up suit and polo shirt of their Team Delegation, previously approved by the FIVB.
- 7.3.4. The penalty for non-compliance of the dress code for Team Officials on the bench will be that the Team Official(s) concerned will not be allowed to sit on the team bench, must leave the Field of Play.

7.4. Advertising on Team Uniform

- 7.4.1. Advertising on uniforms shall be in accordance with the [FIVB Event Regulations, Chapter 6 and Annex A](#); and, subject to prior FIVB approval, should avoid conflict with any FIVB Commercial Affiliate category for the Event. Samples of team uniforms must be submitted **no later than four (4) weeks prior** to the Event as follows:
- the application form for the authorization of advertising material ([Advertising on Team Uniform Form](#)) is required only once per season, not for each event, except when the Sponsor(s)/Manufacture are different for each event;
 - three (3) sets of Captain's (and Libero's if different) playing uniforms, each one of a different color (also applicable in the event that there is no advertising on the uniforms) shall be submitted only once per season, not for each event;
 - Players and Team Officials' uniform graphic layouts with detailed information such as sizes of logos, letters, advertising, manufacturer, etc.;
 - Uniform samples' photos – in case of new samples, which are different from the submitted ones or upon the FIVB request.
- 7.4.2. With reference to the [FIVB Financial Regulations, Article 1](#), in case of application of advertising on team uniform/equipment, each team must pay an Advertisement on Team Uniform Fee to the FIVB. Upon approval of the applied advertisement, FIVB shall issue an invoice addressed to the respective team NF or the amount will be deducted from the team's prize money after the Event.
- 7.4.3. Upon the uniform approval by the FIVB, an Approval Certificate will be issued, and it must be presented at the Preliminary Inquiry by the Team Manager.

7.5. FIVB Officials and Referees

- 7.5.1. Mizuno will be the official supplier for FIVB Officials and Referees for the 2026 volleyball season. Uniforms will be provided to all FIVB Officials & Referees upon their arrival onsite (if applicable) for the 1st Pool/Phase of the Event you are assigned to. It is required to keep and bring this uniform to all subsequent assignments.

8. COMPETITION SYSTEM

The competition consists of **52 matches in total**:

a) 1 st Round	36 matches
b) 2 nd Round (Round of 16)	8 matches
c) Quarter-Finals	4 matches
d) Semi-Finals	2 matches
e) Finals	2 matches

Preliminary Round

Six pools (A, B, C, D, E, F) are composed of 4 teams each and in each pool the teams play a round robin system to determine their ranking in the pool from 1st to 4th.

- The six pool winners and the two best ranked 2nd placed teams advance directly to the Quarter-Finals
- The remaining four 2nd placed teams and all 3rd placed teams advance to the Round of 16
- All 4th placed teams are eliminated

Round of 16

The Round of 16 consists of 8 teams playing 4 matches under a single elimination system.

- The winners advance to the Quarter-Finals
- The losers are eliminated

Quarter-Finals

The Quarter-Finals consist of 8 teams playing 4 matches under a single elimination system.

- The winners advance to the Semi-Finals
- The losers are eliminated

Semi-Finals

The Semi-Finals consist of 4 teams playing 2 matches.

- The winners advance to the Gold Medal Match
- The losers advance to the Bronze Medal Match

Finals

The Finals consist of 2 matches:

- The winners of the Semi-Finals will play the Gold Medal Match
- The losers of the Semi-Finals will play the Bronze Medal Match

FIVB BOYS' U17 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP COMPETITION FORMAT

PRELIMINARY ROUND	POOL A	POOL B	POOL C	POOL D	POOL E	POOL F	#12 seeded teams Seed #13-18 (drawn) Seed #19-24 (drawn)
	A1 (*Host)	B1	C1	D1	E1	F1	
	A2	B2	C2	D2	E2	F2	
	A3	B3	C3	D3	E3	F3	
	A4	B4	C4	D4	E4	F4	

POOL A, B, C, D, E, F

6 COMPETITION DAYS

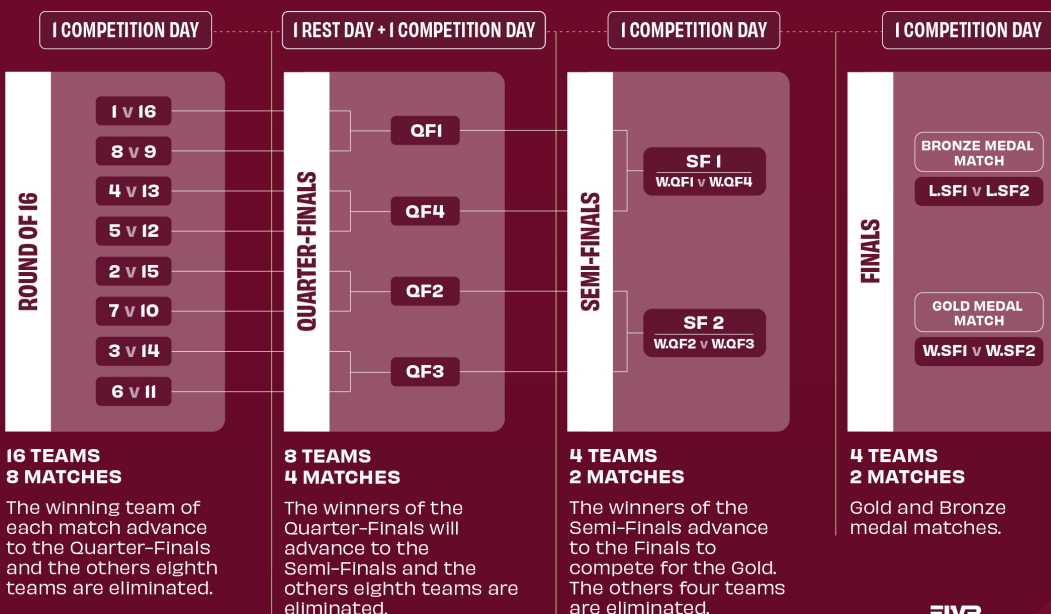
**24 TEAMS
6 POOLS OF 4 TEAMS
36 MATCHES**

3 Matches per team - Round Robin.
The best sixteen teams qualify, and the other eighth are eliminated.

The option of having two host countries is possible up to the end of the Pool Phase.

*In the case of two host countries, Pools A, C & D will be on Host I side, and Pools B, E & F on the other.

TEAM COMBINED RANKING SYSTEM	1 st best 1 st	1	5 th best 1 st	5	3 rd best 2 nd	9	1 st best 3 rd	13
	2 nd best 1 st	2	6 th best 1 st	6	4 th best 2 nd	10	2 nd best 3 rd	14
	3 rd best 1 st	3	1 st best 2 nd	7	5 th best 2 nd	11	3 rd best 3 rd	15
	4 th best 1 st	4	2 nd best 2 nd	8	6 th best 2 nd	12	4 th best 3 rd	16



9. DRAWING OF LOTS & DISTRIBUTION OF TEAMS

- 9.1 The Drawing of Lots ceremony for the distribution of teams in the preliminary round was held virtually through the [FIVB YouTube channel](#) in Lausanne, **Switzerland on 18th March 2026 at 13h00 (UTC)**.
- 9.2 The Organiser is seeded as the head of Pool A, and the Current World Champion is seeded as the head of Pool B. The rest of the participating teams are seeded using the serpentine system based on their position in the **FIVB Boys' U17 World Ranking** as of 31 December 2025. Teams from rows 1 and 2 are the 8 seeded teams and remain in their positions within the pools. Teams from rows 3 to 6 are the 16 teams drawn, and the draw is conducted in 4 rounds.

10. ORDER OF MATCHES & ORGANISER'S RIGHTS

- 10.1 The Organiser has the right to choose the preferred match time for the host team per preliminary phase day, quarter-finals and semi-finals (if qualified).
- 10.2 The pairing of the matches in the pools in the Preliminary Round are defined in accordance with the FIVB Event Regulations, Article 12.7.
- 10.3 Match times and match up order for the Preliminary Round, Eights Finals, Quarter-Finals, Semi-Finals and Playoffs are based on the proposal of the Organiser and Media Rights holders requests.

11. CLASSIFICATION OF TEAMS

11.1 TEAM RANKING SYSTEM – Preliminary Round

In order to establish the ranking of teams in each pool during the Preliminary Round, the following criteria applies:

- 11.2 By the number of victories (match won, match lost) among teams of the same pool or group.
- 11.3 In case of equal numbers of victories:

Number of points gained = If two or more teams have the same number of victories (match won, match lost), they will be classified in descending order by the points gained by each team per match as follows:

Match won 3-0; 3-1	3 points
Match won 3-2	2 points
Match lost 2-3	1 point
Match lost 0-3; 1-3	0 points
Match forfeited	0 points (25-0, 25-0, 25-0)

If teams are still tied after the number of victories and points gained:

- 11.3.1 Set quotient = If two (2) or more teams are tied on the number of points gained, they will be classified in descending order by the quotient resulting from the division of the number of all sets won by the number of all sets lost.
- 11.3.2 Points quotient = If the tie still persists based on the set quotient, the teams will be classified in descending order by the quotient resulting from the division of all points scored by the total of points lost during all sets.
- 11.3.3 If the tie continues to persist based on the point quotient, the tie will be broken based on the team that won the last match played between the tied teams. When the tie in point quotient is between three or more teams, these teams will be ranked taking into consideration only the matches involving the teams in question.

- 11.3.4 If two or more teams did not play against each other, the tie will be broken based on the highest ranked team in the respective World Volleyball Ranking (Senior or Age Group).
- 11.3.5 If a team voluntarily declares its forfeit or is not in condition to start the match on time, the team will be sanctioned in accordance with the FIVB Disciplinary Regulations Art. 12.7

12. CONDUCTING OF THE COMPETITION

- 12.1
- The Event is governed by the FIVB and will be conducted by the FIVB Technical Delegates.
 - FIVB Referees appointed by the FIVB will officiate at the Event.
 - The Event must be conducted in accordance with:
 - These Competition Regulations;
 - [Official Volleyball Rules](#);
 - [FIVB Event Regulations](#);
 - [FIVB Sports Regulations](#);
 - [Video Challenge System Regulations](#) & [Team Tablet Regulations](#);
 - [FIVB General Regulations](#);
 - [FIVB Disciplinary Regulations](#);
 - [FIVB Medical and Anti-Doping Regulations](#);and
 - [FIVB framework for safeguarding players and other participants from harassment and abuse in sport](#), which is part of the FIVB Disciplinary Regulations.

13. PRELIMINARY INQUIRY

- 13.1 Team delegations must arrive 2 days prior to the start of the competition and be available for the Preliminary Inquiry.

- 13.2 Compulsory Attendance

FIVB

- Technical Delegate(s)
- FIVB Control Committee President (if applicable)
- Medical Delegate

TEAMS

- Team Manager
- Doctor (FIVB Accredited) and / or Physiotherapist (FIVB Accredited)

LOC

- LOC representative (local team services)

- 13.3 Team Managers and Doctors/Physiotherapists must be present at the Preliminary Inquiry and must bring the following documents:

- O-2bis Form to be electronically signed and submitted in VIS
- Passports of all players
- Team Doctor's and/or Team Physiotherapist's FIVB ID-cards
- Team Media Accreditation for Journalist/Photographer/Videographer (if applicable)
- Samples of Captain's, Libero's uniforms (if different) (3 colors) and team officials' uniforms
- Any accessories, undergarments, compression pads, injury prevention devices used by the players
- Advertising on Team Uniform Approval Certificate (electronic version in VIS)

- 13.4 The Organiser shall prepare for the meeting:

- Meeting area for 10 people at the official Teams' Hotel (preferably) or Competition Venue
- Ruler / Printer / Photocopier

- 13.5 The Preliminary Inquiry will be carried out in accordance with the [FIVB Event Regulations](#) (according to the arrival of the teams). Final time schedule will be given upon arrival.

In addition to the foregoing, teams shall be informed of the presence of the FIVB Safeguarding Officer (the FIVB Medical Delegates on site) during the competition in order to address potential cases of harassment and abuse (please refer to Annex 2).

14. **TEAM DOCTORS MEETING**

- 14.1 The purpose of this meeting is to verify if the competition conditions are in compliance with the FIVB Medical & Anti-Doping Regulations and to update the Team Delegations on important competition matters.

15. **TRAINING / FITNESS**

- 15.1 **OFF Days:** Each team is guaranteed:
3 hours of total training time, which can be distributed between volleyball training and fitness gym as preferred. No single training type (volleyball or fitness) can exceed 2 hours in duration. If the volleyball training court and fitness gym are in different facilities, teams must schedule their sessions separately (e.g., 2h volleyball + 1h fitness). If both facilities are within the same venue, teams must use the 3-hour allocation as a single training block, choosing how to divide the time (e.g., 1h30 volleyball + 1h30 fitness, 2h volleyball + 1h fitness, etc.).
- 15.2 **FAMILIARIZATION (MD-1):**
1x 1h30 familiarization session on the Competition Court the day before the first match.
The familiarization session is the only training teams can have on the competition court.
Teams may also request 1x 1-hour fitness session on MD-1.
- 15.3 **MATCH Days:** Each team is guaranteed:
1x 1-hour volleyball training session.
Teams may also request 1x 1-hour fitness session, subject to availability.
Match-Day Training Scheduling:
A minimum 5-hour interval must be maintained between the end of the morning training and the start of a team's match.
Training for competing teams shall be scheduled in the morning if the 5-hour interval before the match can be maintained. If morning training is not possible, it will be scheduled in the evening.
Training Timings:
Earliest morning training starts at 08:00.
Latest evening training starts at 21:00.
Fairness & Equal Conditions:
All teams shall receive equal training opportunities in terms of number of sessions, balance of morning/evening slots, and total training time, adjusted according to the match schedule.
Additional Training Requests:
If a team requests additional training, it is at the discretion of the LOC to facilitate, with prior approval from the FIVB Technical Delegate.
Competition Day Training Allocation:
Training schedules are determined based on the team matchup sequence.
Closed Training Sessions:
All training sessions are closed to other event participants and must not be accessible to non-team personnel, unless pre-approved by the team in advance.
Training Confirmation & Changes:
Teams must inform the LOC latest by the day before whether they intend to maintain, cancel, or request changes to their scheduled training sessions.
If a team fails to inform the LOC by the day before, the next day's training schedule cannot be changed.
- 15.4 The Organiser is to provide a workout facility to be used by the teams upon the team request, as well as providing transportation (to the facility) and water (preferably free of charge).

16. MIXED ZONE AND PRESS CONFERENCES

- 16.1 All players departing the competition area must exit through the mixed zone, allowing brief interactions with the press. The Head coach and two players must be available for flash interviews when requested by the Host TV Broadcaster's court manager.
- 16.2 The press conferences before the matches, as with after the matches, are not mandatory. The Organisers can choose to have them if there is a large media interest and that the coaches time is well spent at the press conference. If it is more advisable to organise one-on-one interviews with the coaches and the players, the Organisers are free to have such interviews instead of the press conference.

17. OFFICIAL VOLLEYBALL RULES, EQUIPMENT AND BALLS

- 17.1 The competition shall be played in accordance with the FIVB Official Volleyball Rules 2025-2028 in force. All necessary interpretations will be made before the competition during the Preliminary Inquiry.

17.2 **RULE TEST**

The FIVB is continuously seeking to improve the game of volleyball. As part of this effort, official rule tests may be implemented during the event to enhance the pace of the game and increase fan engagement.

The rule tests for 2026 season are outlined below.

17.2.1. DOUBLE CONTACT INTERPRETATION

To continue interpretation adopted for 2025 in all Volleyball Competitions in 2026 (to allow double contact during the setting action (second contact) providing the ball stays on the same side of the court).

17.2.2. OUT OF ROTATION ERROR - free positioning receiving team rule test MODIFICATION

The receiving team must be in-rotation order at the whistle but the players may move from the correct rotation/lineup position **the moment the servers motion begins** (serving action is initiated) - such as a step, movement of the arms and legs etc. in the first motion to serve. It aims to prevent athletes from faking the serve.

17.2.3. SUBSTITUTIONS

FIVB Volleyball Rules, 15.1 NUMBER OF REGULAR GAME INTERRUPTIONS

Each team may request a maximum of two time-outs and **EIGHT (8)** substitutions per set.

17.2.4. TEAM ROSTER

In FIVB World and Official competitions, a team may register up to 14 players and minimum 12 players. A team roster must have listed a minimum of one (1) Libero.

Any team may choose to use two (2) Liberos from within the team roster informing this 1 hour before the match.

Teams are permitted to reduce the number of Liberos once declared (from 2 to 1) up to 1 hour before the match.

17.2.5. BALL CONTACTING THE CEILING

If the first or second ball contacts/ touches the venue infrastructure (i.e. cube/ jumbotron/ rafters/ ceiling joists/ rigging) and remains available for continuation of the rally allowing a second or third contact for the same team, the rally is legal, and the play is permitted to continue.

In the case where the ball touches/ contacts the ceiling (i.e. cube/ jumbotron/ rafters/ ceiling joists/ rigging) and rebounds into the opponent's court this is ruled a "fault".

Spider cam / crane cam inside the FoP is still considered as a replay.

17.2.6. "PUSH - CARRY - CATCH - THROW" ATTACK

Strictly apply the current **VB rule 9.2.2** to prevent allowing the catch at all and sanctioning the fault strictly.

VB RULE 9.2.2 The ball must not be caught and/or thrown. It can rebound in any direction.

- ✓ **NO PUSH/ NO LIFT/ NO CARRY**
- ✓ The tip must be executed with **ONE HAND**
- ✓ The tip must be executed with a **SHORT CONTACT**
- ✓ The tip must be directed in a **STRAIGHT LINE**

17.2.7. REDUCE BREAKS

Include in challenge regulations:

After the result of the Challenge has been transmitted, the match continues, with the score adjusted as necessary. **THE TEAM THAT REQUESTED THE CHALLENGE MAY NOT** request time out after the challenge before the next completed rally.
Applies to both end-rally and mid-rally challenges.

17.2.8. USE OF REFEREES' WHISTLE

The use of the referee's whistle at the end of each rally is not always necessary. To avoid this, the referee should blow his/her whistle only to interrupt the action when a fault is committed, thus preventing the game from continuing after the fault.

Proposal starting to apply immediately **NO WHISTLE** for:

- ball IN/OUT (ball landing in/out directly)
- serve ball not passing the net
- Clear/ obvious block touch (i.e. out of FoP)

17.2.9. COACH TO SPEAK TO R1

Head coach can approach and talk to the first referee, asking for clarifying or confirming the type of challenge requested, or for quick questions on confusion situations.

Complaints and protest are not permitted and are subject to sanctions.

17.2.10. WARM-UP PROTOCOL

Separate warm up for serve:

- ✓ 90sec per team – the opponent team to remain outside the court

-10:00	Warm up at the net
-3:00	Team A service warm up
-1:30	Team B service warm up
-0:00	End of warm up – Teams go to bench

17.2.11. MID-RALLY CHALLENGE BOOKMARK

To expedite the review process, the team can mark **ANY ACTION** that could potentially be challenged at the end of the rally. These “bookmarks” will help to locate quickly the specific action during the video review. At the end of the rally, if the team loses the rally, they may choose **ONLY ONE** challenge to pursue.

Tablet must be used for bookmark. A challenge of the mid-rally action **cannot be requested without a bookmark.**

Possible cases:

- Regardless of how many bookmarks are recorded, only ONE challenge must be permitted in a single interruption for mid-rally actions (team choice)
- If BOTH teams bookmark in the same rally for actions which happened during the rally, the sequence in the timeline will be reviewed and the first fault observed, if any, will prevail.
- VolleyStation should link the bookmarking to the start rally button, that way video rewind and review in the timeline can be much quicker (e.g. 4.6 secs and 7.24 secs)

17.2.12. TOUCHES IN DEFENSE

To include touches in defense & serve receive in the challenge regulations

Possible cases:

Ball rotation can be modified after a touch in defense, suggesting a contact. However, WE MUST SHOW a clear and visible contact.

In the case where there is no video evidence available, the original decision stands.

17.3 Synthetic floor cover **Taraflex Sport Performance** by **Gerflor** is the FIVB approved and homologated sports floors to be used in each competition hall.

17.4 **MIKASA** Ball type V200W will be the only ball used at this competition. No additional marks from the organiser are allowed on the ball.

17.5 The net posts, post protection, net antennas, nets will be provided by **Senoh Sports Equipment.**

17.6 E-scoresheet has to be used.

17.7 Referees' equipment with wireless communication system must be used at the main venue.

17.8 Four quick moppers and 5 ball retrievers shall be assigned for each match.

17.9 Two Line Judges per match (for matches without the Video Officiating system), and court switch after each set.

17.10 Two volunteers with general volleyball knowledge per match to assist the Referee Coaches to conduct the rule testing.

17.11 Up to 2 time-outs of 30" duration per team per set. No technical time-out. 3 minutes intervals between all sets.

17.12 Forfeit

- a. If a team is unable to produce six (6) players for a match due to a valid medical reason, the match (s) will be automatically forfeited (3-0), but the team will not be disqualified from the tournament.
- b. Forfeit of a team with more than six (6) players shall be subject to sanctions as per the [FIVB Disciplinary Regulations](#).

17.13 Field of Play Layout & Set Up

To bring the focus on the players, capture the teams' reactions and emotions to create more content engaging the fans worldwide, competition will be played with a Field of Play orientation where the team benches and warm up areas are located opposite the main TV camera.

A 3rd Referee is located at the scorers' table to fulfil the administrative role and duties of the 2nd Referee.

Please click on the following link to view the [Volleyball Field of Play Layout and Volleyball Venue Layout](#).

- 17.14 The Video Challenge System (VCS) will be used for the Final Phase matches of the competition as per the following regulations, starting from the quarter-finals.

VCS Regulations: Please click on the following link to view the [Video Challenge System Regulations](#).

Team Tablet Regulations: Please click on the following link to view the [Team Tablet Regulations](#)

18. COMPLAINTS

- 18.1 All complaints must be presented in writing to the FIVB Control Committee **within one hour after the end of the match concerned**. The complaints procedure to be followed can be found in Section I, Chapter 2, Art. 9 of the [FIVB Event Regulations](#).

- 18.2 Once the scoresheet is checked and signed by all relevant participants without protest, no further team protest on technical aspects can be accepted, e.g. substitutions, scorer's error, referee's error, etc.

- 18.3 Complaints about the result of a match must be worded in English and accompanied by a deposit of CHF 300.00 cash (or the equivalent in local currency) for each complaint.

19. SANCTIONS

- 19.1 If a NF declares the non-participation of its duly qualified team or simply does not send its team to participate in the World Championship, it will be sanctioned in accordance with [FIVB Disciplinary Regulations](#) and the decision of the FIVB Board of Administration.

- 19.2 The NF will incur a CHF 1'000.00 fine in the case of non (or incomplete) remittance of the O-2 Form, O-2bis Form, Team Travel Form, team and players photographs, sports biographies or payment of entry fee.

- 19.3 The NF will incur a CHF 5'000.00 fine in the case of negligence in the delivery of the final list of 12 players in the Preliminary Inquiry.

- 19.4 Sanctions relating to uniforms:

- 19.4.1 Teams not presenting the samples of their uniforms during the Preliminary Inquiry as required in Section I, Chapter 2, Art. 4.9 of the [FIVB Event Regulations](#) for International Competitions will have to present uniforms or obtain new uniforms within 24 hours and the NF will incur a fine of CHF 5'000.00.

- 19.4.2 The NF will be subject to a fine of CHF 5'000.00 where its National Team presents uniforms that do not comply with the official FIVB uniform standards as per Article 17 of these regulations and the Section I, Chapter 2, Art. 4.9 of the [FIVB Event Regulations](#).
- 19.4.3 Where teams do not respect the colour of uniforms as indicated in the O-1 form as distributed following the Preliminary Inquiry and after each phase of the competition, their respective NF will be subject to a fine of CHF 1'000.00.
- 19.5 Players not complying with the Eligibility Rules defined by Section I, Chapter 2, Art. 5 of the [FIVB Event Regulations](#) for International Competitions, or who do not present the Health Certificate (**M-3 form**) as required in Art. 6.1 of the same Regulations, or refuse to undergo a medical examination, will not be allowed to compete.
- 19.6 Misconduct during the competition:
- 19.6.1 In each case, the NF will incur a fine of CHF 1'000.00 where Team Managers, Coaches or Doctors fail to attend official meetings including the Preliminary Inquiry and Team Briefing etc. and in the case of the Coaches and Players – the mixed zone and press conferences.
- 19.6.2 Breach of official protocol may be subject to fines and suspension during the competition or for future activities as determined by the FIVB.
- 19.6.3 Players who refuse to undergo the anti-doping test will be automatically disqualified and results management proceedings may be initiated for a possible anti-doping rule violation under Article 2.3 of the FIVB Medical and Anti-Doping Regulations. The team concerned will lose the match to its opponent 0-3 (0-25, 0-25, 0-25).
- 19.6.4 Withdrawal of the team before the tournament will be sanctioned according to the FIVB Disciplinary Regulations depending on the date of withdrawal.
- 19.6.5 Withdrawal during the course of the tournament or no show at the beginning of the tournament by a National Team, shall result in the NF shall being punished according to the FIVB Disciplinary Regulations.
- 19.6.6 Twelve players are compulsory for all FIVB competitions. The following sanctions will apply:
- if a team arrives with only ten or eleven players, the NF will receive a fine of CHF 1'000.00 per player payable to the FIVB.
 - if a team arrives with less than ten players, the NF will receive a two-year suspension from FIVB competitions, and any economic assistance provided to the team by the FIVB for the competition will be withdrawn.
- 19.7 All sanctions are cumulative.

20. FINANCIAL CONDITIONS

- 20.1 The expenses covered by the Organiser:
- Lodging and meals from arrival dates of each Team delegation (up to 19 pax) to the official departure day (next day after the team's elimination from the Event, at standard hotel check out time (around 11am) with breakfast), FIVB Referees and FIVB Officials according to the following principles:
 - Officials: single rooms for the FIVB Control Committee Members, FIVB Officials, staff and Referees.
 - Team Delegation: 5 single rooms and 7 twin rooms per team delegation.
 - Pick-up and drop-off at the official airport.
 - Local transportation for participating teams, Referees and Officials.
 - Transportation for participating teams to switch cities according to the competition formula.

- e) Transportation for the participating teams returning to the official arrival airport.
- f) Medicare in accordance with FIVB Medical and Anti-Doping Regulations.
- g) Medical controls.
- h) To prepare a local hygiene protocol taking into account serious health risks following the obligations defined by the national, regional or local government, as well as pay the costs and provide human resources to implement the approved local hygiene protocol.
- i) Laundry of player's uniform: one (1) set of shirt, shorts and socks per day per player.
- j) All necessary insurance covering risks as organiser including but not limited to liability, invalidity, death and medical insurance, based on independent professional advice received for insurance needs within the host country.

20.2 **Each participating delegation** will take care of the following expenses:

- a) International travel expenses for the entire delegation. In case of extra members, the delegation has also to take care of the additional costs.
- b) For extra team members a **Rate Card** for a double room and for a single room per person per day for extra staying days or extra person over the limits of these Regulations, including meals and local transportation. Payment should be settled upon arrival of the delegation.
- c) The Team Entry Fee paid to the Organiser by each NF of the participating teams as described above in the section 6 - Entries, Team Information, Fee of the current Competition Regulations.
- d) Penalties incurred.
- e) All necessary insurance covering risks as a participating team delegation including travel, medical, accident and liability insurance, based on independent professional advice received for insurance needs for the participating team delegation.
- f) Extra luggage charge.
- g) Advertising on team uniforms fee.

20.3 **The FIVB** will cover the following expenses:

- a) International travel expenses for the FIVB Officials including Referees and the FIVB staff, nominated by the FIVB.
- b) CHF 225 per diem daily from the first day to the last day of their duties, for FIVB Referees and Control Committee members. The per diem will be paid by a bank transfer.
- c) If travel expenses are not covered by the Organiser or the FIVB, a reimbursement of travel expenses from the FIVB covering the day before and the day after their assignment for travel expenses (train, bus, taxi, visa, etc.), up to a maximum of CHF 200.-
- d) Insurance cover for FIVB Officials, FIVB Staff and FIVB Referees including travel, illness, and accident insurance.
- e) A Team Travel Allowance may be granted and covered by the FIVB for participating teams from [NF Category](#) 1 and 2 National Federations.
- f) Any other expenses approved by the FIVB Board of Administration.

21. **AWARDS**

21.1 **Medals & Trophies**

Prizes shall be awarded by the FIVB and the Organiser to the teams ranked 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in the Championship. FIVB will provide gold, silver and bronze medal sets and the 1st place Cup and two plates (2nd and 3rd place). Should third parties wish to award additional prizes to the teams or to the individual players, the FIVB's previous approval and permission must be obtained no later than 30 days before the start of the Event.

21.2 Individual Awards

- a) 7 Awards Trophies to the best players by role on the court: 1 Setter, 1 Opposite, 2 Outside Hitters, 2 Middle Blockers and 1 Libero. This will form the best team of the competition.
- b) 1 Award Trophies to the Most Valuable player of the competition (MVP) among the 7 best players.

All individual awards are awarded with reference to the criteria of VIS statistics, as well as the performance of the entire competition and final match.

The MVP should be a player from the 1st ranked teams and nomination can come from all roles (positions).

22. RESULTS SYSTEM & DISTRIBUTION

All results must be produced in accordance with VIS (Volleyball Information System). Any software, hardware or other issues relating to VIS should be directed to the Information Technology Coordinator at the FIVB Headquarters in Lausanne.

Electronic version of a Daily Bulletin will be sent by e-mail by the Organiser to all participating teams, referees and officials, from the day before the start of until the day after competition:

1st Daily Bulletin – Distributed after the Preliminary Inquiries

- a. Official communication (if any)
- b. Team Rosters (O-2bis)
- c. Match Schedule
- d. Choice of Uniform Colors (O-1)
- e. Training Schedule

Daily Bulletins – Distributed at the end of each match day

- a. Official communication (if any)
- b. Competition Standing (P-4)
- c. Match Result (P-2)

Final Bulletin – Distributed after the gold medal match

- a. Official communication (if any)
- b. Dream Team
- c. Competition Standing (P-4)
- d. Match Result (P-2)
- e. Players Ranking (P-5)
- f. Teams Ranking (P-6)

23. UNFORESEEN ITEMS

As regards specific items not expressly foreseen in the present Regulations, reference is to be made to the general rules and guidelines contained in FIVB Regulations.

K. INTERNATIONAL PLAYING PROTOCOL

Countdown to 1st serve	TEAM & OFFICIALS	Duration
-60:00	Teams and referees make their way to the court (balls permitted)	-
Countdown clock is set to -60:00		
-32:00	Minimum required time for both teams to be on the court	-
-30:00	Coin Toss (at technical table)	1'30"
-28:30	-	1'00"
-27:30	Warm-up with balls	10'00"
-26:00	-	6'00"
-17:30	Warm-up at the net	10'00"
-16:00	Teach choreography of Great Moments (Monster Block, Super Spike, Ace)	6'00"
START OF INTERNATIONAL FEED (if applicable)		
-7:30	End of warm-up / Teams to endlines / Referees in position in game position on the floor	1'00"
-6:30	Referees announcement	0'30"
-6:00	National Anthem Team A	1'30"
-4:30	National Anthem Team B	1'30"
-3:00	Teams clap at whistle and head back to bench	0'30"
LIGHTS OUT / HOUSE DARK WITH SPECIAL LIGHTING (if applicable)		
-2:30	Team A - Starting Lineup / Coach	1'00"
-1:30	Team B - Starting Lineup / Coach	1'00"
LIGHTS ON (if applicable)		
00:30	MC Crowd Pump Up / Get Loud For First Serve	0'30"
00:00	FIRST SERVE	-

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	ACTION	Duration
<i>POST</i>	Team Celebration	2'00''
<i>POST</i>	One player chosen for TV flash interview	1'00''
<i>POST</i>	Same player does SPR Interview to the House	1'00''
<i>POST</i>	Teams begin to leave the benches	-

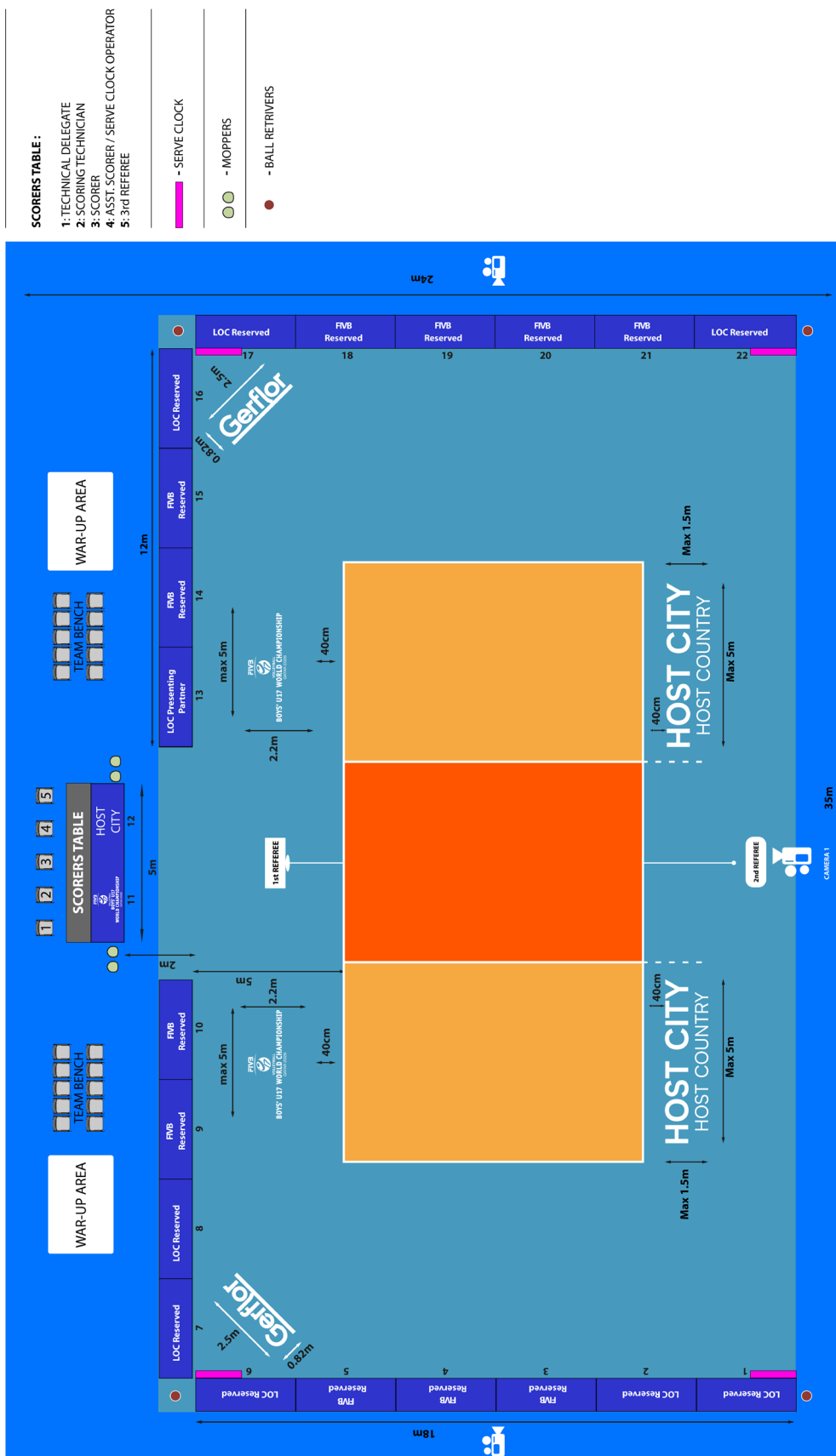
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If there is less than 45 mins left for the start time of the next match, we apply the formula: round up the time + add 45 mins for warm up

ANNEX 1:



FIVB VOLLEYBALL COMPETITION SETUP - MARKETING / COMMERCIAL
Competition Court layout



SCORERS TABLE :

- 1: TECHNICAL DELEGATE
- 2: SCORING TECHNICIAN
- 3: SCORER
- 4: ASST. SCORER / SERVE CLOCK OPERATOR
- 5: 3rd REFEREE

- SERVE CLOCK

- MOPPERS

- BALL RETRIEVERS