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VOLLEYBALL WORLD PLAYBOOK

Preliminary Inquiry sessions as well as any practical and logistical information is available in the event Playbook at: **BPT Finals - Doha, QAT - 2024 - Beach Pro Tour 2024 season**

INSURANCE AND MEDICAL

Athletes must have their own liability and medical insurance.

Further to the Hygiene requirement, the FIVB reserves the right to perform random medical controls on the participating athletes and alcohol tests on the officials, as per FIVB rules and regulations.

UNIFORM AND ACCESSORIES



The playing tops/tanks will be provided by the organizer for all Main Draw players.

Shorts/bottoms and accessories must be provided by the players and/or by their sponsors.

If required by the FIVB Technical Delegate, other uniforms and accessories will be checked during the Preliminary Inquiry. Athletes of the same team must wear the same colour and style of shorts.

ENTRY LIST & SEEDING OF THE TEAMS

Confirmed Entry List

The entry list includes top eight (8) teams of each gender as published on 11 November 2024.

There will be a maximum of two (2) teams per gender per National Federation in the Beach Pro Tour Finals, including the team(s) receiving wild card.

Seeding points

Teams in the Main Draw, including the Wild Cards, are seeded per their respective FIVB Beach Volleyball World Ranking as of 11 November 2024.

Should the team be composed as new team (i.e. the two athletes have not yet played together as a team in the last 365 days, and accordingly doesn't have the FIVB Beach Volleyball World Ranking), such team shall always be seeded at the end of the seeding list, behind the teams who are listed in the FIVB Beach Volleyball World Ranking. Should there be multiple teams without FIVB Beach Volleyball World Ranking, their seeding will be sorted by the sum of eight (8) results of the last 365 days, the team with higher sum points will be seeded higher.

Seeding of the host countries teams will be as follows:

- The best ranked host country team (as per its FIVB World Ranking), regardless of its status of wild card, will receive Seed #1 and placed in Pool A.
- The 2nd best ranked host country team will be seeded naturally as per its Seeding Points.

Teams will be placed in the two pools in a serpentine system, except for the Seed #9 and #10, which will be reversed as follows. The purpose of doing so is to respect the benefit of the top seeded team.

Teams from the same country (including host country and foreign countries) will not be placed in the same pool. If the above happens, the 2nd best ranked team of the concerned country will have its seed increased (for example from Seed #3 to Seed #4) until the team is in a different pool than the other team from that country. Should increasing the seed not work (or not be possible), then the seed of the team concerned will be reduced (for example from Seed #10 to Seed #9) until the team is in a different pool.

COMPETITION SPECIFIC

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COMPETITION FORMAT

Main Draw Tournament

- Main Draw: 10-team pool play (2 pools of 5 teams following serpentine system) except for Seed 9 and Seed 10 which are reversed.
- Main Draw Pool Play Distribution:

Pool A	Pool B
Seed 1	Seed 2
Seed 4	Seed 3
Seed 5	Seed 6
Seed 8	Seed 7
Seed 10	Seed 9

- Entry/Seeding Points calculated the day after the last Elite tournament of the same season, as per the FIVB Beach Pro Tour ranking. For 2024 season, points are calculated on 11 November 2024.
- For the Volleyball World Beach Pro Tour Finals, the Confirmed Entry List is based on the eight (8) best teams per gender per the FIVB World Ranking (refer to the Chapter 6 FIVB Beach Volleyball World Ranking Definitions below) of that day, plus 2 Main Draw wild card teams
- Top 3 teams in each pool qualify to the 6-team playoffs
- The Main Draw tournament of each gender event is played through a first phase of Pool Phase in round robin system and a second phase in a single elimination format.
- In the first phase of Pool Play, ten (10) teams will be placed into two (2) pools with five (5) teams in each pool and the single round robin system will be implemented.
- At the end of first phase of pool play, the top ranked team from each pool will directly advance to the semi-finals, while the 2nd ranked, and 3rd ranked teams from each pool will play the quarterfinals as followed:
 - 2nd ranked team from Pool A vs. 3rd ranked team from Pool B, i.e. A2 vs. B3.
 - 3rd ranked team from Pool A vs. 2nd ranked team from Pool B, i.e. A3 vs. B2.
- The semi-finals will be played as followed:
 - 1st ranked team from Pool A vs. the winner of match between A3 and B2.
 - 1st ranked team from Pool B vs. the winner of match between A2 and B3.
- The losers of the semi-finals will play the bronze medal match, while the winners will play the gold

medal match.

Finals: 6-Team Single Elimination Playoff Semi-finals **Finals** Round of 6 Losers ranked 5th 1st Pool A 3rd Pool A Match #23 Winner Match #23 Match #21 Winner Match #21 2nd Pool B Match #26 Winner Match #26 3rd Pool B Gold Match #22 Winner Match #22 2nd Pool A Match #24 Winner Match #24 1st Pool B Loser Match #23 Match #25 Winner Match #25 **Bronze** Loser Match #24

Rules for Matches Played

The match winner earns 2 match points, and the match loser earns 1 match point.

Match won	2 points
Match lost	1 point

- 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" and further sanction may be applied in accordance with the Disciplinary Regulation. 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) but before the commencement of the first match 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"
- Four teams will play a standard round robin system in the first phase. 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.
- In the case of a tie in the pools (match points) during the round robin, the following rules will apply:

Between two teams in the same pool:

- The team with the highest 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 in the same pool:

- If three teams have a tie in the main points, then the teams are ranked by the rally points ratio in the matches between the three tied teams.
- If a tie still exists then the tied teams 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 or more teams in the same pool:

- 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 in the same pool:

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 higher.

Between three or more teams in the same pool:

- Teams are ranked by the rally points ratios in the matches between the 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 tournament (the better seed of the tied teams ranked higher, i.e. Seed 12 is ranked higher than Seed 13).

MATCH SCHEDULE

The detailed match schedule will be published immediately on the Volleyball World website once approved by the FIVB Technical Delegate onsite. It will be no later than 1 hour after the end of last match of day or 1 hour after the seeding list is established after Preliminary Inquiry.

2024 BPT Finals - Doha - Confirmed Competition Schedule



SESSION	DATE	LOCAL TIME	GMT TIME	COURT 1	COURT 2	PHASES
		13:00	10:00	WOMEN: Pool	WOMEN: Pool	
	Day 1 (Wed)	14:00	11:00	WOMEN: Pool	WOMEN: Pool	Round 1
l '	04/12	15:00	12:00	MEN: Pool	MEN: Pool	(M & W)
		16:00	13:00	MEN: Pool	MEN: Pool	(11 & 11)
BREAK						
		18:00	15:00	WOMEN: Pool	WOMEN: Pool	
2	Day 1 (Wed)	19:00	16:00	WOMEN: Pool	WOMEN: Pool	Round 1&2
	04/12	20:00	17:00	MEN: Pool	MEN: Pool	(M & W)
		21:00	18:00	MEN: Pool	MEN: Pool	(2)

SESSION	DATE	TIME	GMT TIME	COURT 1	COURT 2	PHASES
	13:00	10:00	WOMEN: Pool	WOMEN: Pool		
3	Day 2 (Thu)	14:00	11:00	WOMEN: Pool	WOMEN: Pool	Round 2&3 (M & W)
3	05/12	15:00	12:00	MEN: Pool	MEN: Pool	
		16:00	13:00	MEN: Pool	MEN: Pool	(& 11)
BREAK						
		18:00	15:00	WOMEN: Pool	WOMEN: Pool	
4	4 Day 2 (Thu) 05/12	19:00	16:00	WOMEN: Pool	WOMEN: Pool	Round 3&4
7		20:00	17:00	MEN: Pool	MEN: Pool	(M & W)
	21:00	18:00	MEN: Pool	MEN: Pool		

SESSION	DATE	TIME	GMT TIME	COURT 1	COURT 2	PHASES
		14:00	11:00	WOMEN: Pool	WOMEN: Pool	Round 4
5	Day 3 (Fri)	15:00	12:00	WOMEN: Pool	WOMEN: Pool	
ľ	06/12	16:00	13:00	MEN: Pool	MEN: Pool	(M & W)
		17:00	14:00	MEN: Pool	MEN: Pool	
BREAK						
		19:00	16:00	WOMEN: QF		
Day 3 (Fri)	20:00	17:00	WOMEN: QF		Quarterfinals	
۰	06/12	21:00	18:00	MEN: QF		Quarterinais
		22:00	19:00	MEN: QF		

SESSION	DATE	TIME	GMT TIME	COURT 1	COURT 2	PHASES
	13:00	10:00	WOMEN: SF			
3	3 Day 4 (Sat) 07/12	14:00	11:00	WOMEN: SF		Semifinals
, i		15:00	12:00	MEN: SF		
		16:00	13:00	MEN: SF		
BREAK						
		18:00	15:00	WOMEN Bronze		
4 Day 4 (Sat) 07/12	19:00	16:00	MEN Bronze		Finals	
	20:00	17:00	WOMEN Final			
		21:00	18:00	MEN Final		

WITHDRAWAL REGULATIONS

- Should there be request from the participating NFs on the 'replacement of the player', the vacancy will not be transferred to the new team, unless otherwise approved by the FIVB/Volleyball World and the FIVB will reallocate such vacancy to the next eligible team per the World Ranking list of 11 November 2024.
- Should there be a withdrawal, the participating NF shall submit through the BVB-03 form (withdrawal request) with the supporting medical certificate and flight ticket (or travel proof) to the FIVB Beach Department. The FIVB will evaluate on a case-by-case basis to decide if the fines will be applied. The scale of fine will be USD 3,000 per athlete.
- Should there be any last-minute withdrawal which happens on site due to 'force majeure', the FIVB, after agreement with the organizer, will reallocate the vacancy to the host country team whenever deemed necessary..

Information regarding the withdrawal fine is as follows:

Tournament	Monetary fine per athlete
Main Draw of Finals tournament	USD 3000 per athlete

For further information regarding the withdraw procedures, please refer to the FIVB BVB Sport Operations Manual at <u>Tools and Forms – FIVB</u>.

RANKING POINTS (PER ATHLETE)

No ranking points will be allocated to the Beach Pro Tour Final participants.

PRIZE MONEY

For the Beach Pro Tour Finals in Doha, the following prize money is allocated to each gender tournament and will be paid onsite by the FIVB and through the bank transfer

Rank	Prize Money (per team) in USD	Total in USD	
1 st	150,000	150,000	
2 nd	80,000	80,000	
3 rd	50,000	50,000	
4 th	35,000	35,000	
5 th x2	20,000	40,000	
7 th x2	15,000	30,000	
9 th x2	7,500	15,000	
1	Total Prize Money		

Note: The tax at source might be implemented as per the fiscal regulations/laws in the countries where the tournament is held.

The athlete is responsible for paying the relevant taxes for his/her earnings in his/her own country and he/she must update both his/her bank account and personal details at the beginning of the contract year through the VIS. Please double check your profile and consult the FIVB Delegate at the Preliminary Inquiry should there be any questions.