



**VOLLEYBALL WOMEN'S
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP**

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FIVB**

COMPETITION REGULATIONS

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. Introduction

These Competition Regulations provide the Team Delegations, FIVB and VW Delegations with the obligations and guidelines (as applicable) related to the participation in and the technical staging of the Event (and other associated side events).

The following rules of interpretation apply in these Competition Regulations:

- a) The FIVB reserves the right to update these Competition Regulations at any time prior to the Event. In the event of any variation of these Competition Regulations, the FIVB will promptly notify the stakeholders and share the updated numbered version of these Competition Regulations.
- b) Unless otherwise stated in these Competition Regulations, in the event there is any conflict or ambiguity between any provisions in these Competition Regulations and the [FIVB Event Regulations](#), the provisions of the FIVB Event Regulations shall apply.
- c) Unless the context requires otherwise, a reference to the Event shall mean the FIVB Volleyball Women's World Championship, including any and all side events relating to such Event.
- d) A reference to FIVB Event Regulations, Chapter(s) are to a Chapter(s) of the FIVB Event Regulations.
- e) A reference to Appendix(ices) or Annex shall be those of these Competition Regulations.
- f) Unless the context otherwise requires, a reference to one gender shall include a reference to the other genders.

1.2. Concept

The FIVB Volleyball Women's World Championship (the Event) is an international volleyball competition contested by 32 senior women's national volleyball teams. The Event is governed by the FIVB and Volleyball World (VW) and is the flagship competition held every two (2) years.

The Event will take place in Thailand from 22 August to 7 September 2025 in four (4) host cities: Bangkok, Chiang Mai, Nakhon Ratchasima, Phuket.

At the conclusion of the tournament, the 2025 World Champion will be crowned and will qualify for the 2027 World Championship.

2. COMPETITION FORMULA

2.1. Qualification Process & Participating Teams

QUALIFIED TEAMS (World Ranking)	QUALIFICATION PATHWAY
THAILAND (#13)	Host
SERBIA (#10)	Current World Champion
CHINA (#5)	AVC Continental Championships 2023 Runner-up
JAPAN (#7)	AVC Continental Championships 2023 2 nd Runner-up

VIETNAM* (#33)	AVC Continental Championships 2023 3 rd Runner-up*
KENYA (#22)	CAVB Continental Championships 2023 Winner
EGYPT (#36)	CAVB Continental Championships 2023 Runner-up
CAMEROON (#27)	CAVB Continental Championships 2023 2 nd Runner-up
TÜRKİYE (#4)	CEV Continental Championships 2023 Winner
NETHERLANDS (#9)	CEV Continental Championships 2023 2 nd Runner-up
ITALY** (#1)	CEV Continental Championships 2023 3 rd Runner-up**
BRAZIL (#2)	CSV Continental Championships 2023 Winner
ARGENTINA (#17)	CSV Continental Championships 2023 Runner-up
COLOMBIA (#21)	CSV Continental Championships 2023 2 nd Runner-up
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC (#11)	NORCECA Continental Championships 2023 Winner
USA (#3)	NORCECA Continental Championships 2023 Runner-up
CANADA (#8)	NORCECA Continental Championships 2023 2 nd Runner-up
POLAND (#6)	FIVB Senior World Ranking
GERMANY (#12)	FIVB Senior World Ranking
BELGIUM (#14)	FIVB Senior World Ranking
CZECHIA (#15)	FIVB Senior World Ranking
PUERTO RICO (#16)	FIVB Senior World Ranking
UKRAINE (#18)	FIVB Senior World Ranking
FRANCE (#19)	FIVB Senior World Ranking
BULGARIA (#20)	FIVB Senior World Ranking
CUBA (#23)	FIVB Senior World Ranking
SWEDEN (#24)	FIVB Senior World Ranking
MEXICO (#25)	FIVB Senior World Ranking
SLOVENIA (#26)	FIVB Senior World Ranking
SLOVAKIA (#28)	FIVB Senior World Ranking
SPAIN (#29)	FIVB Senior World Ranking
GREECE (#30)	FIVB Senior World Ranking

*Fourth place team – VIETNAM, qualifies as a not yet qualified team, since THAILAND - AVC Continental Championships 2023 Winner, has already qualified as Host.

**Fourth place team – ITALY, qualifies as a not yet qualified team, since SERBIA - CEV Continental Championships 2023 Runner-up, has already qualified as Current World Champion.

2.2. Drawing of Lots & Pools Distribution

The Drawing of Lots took place in Bangkok on 17 December 2024.

The thirty-two (32) qualified teams were distributed among eight (8) pools of four (4) teams each, based on their position in the FIVB Senior World Ranking at the end of the National Teams Season the year before the Event (30 August 2024) thus establishing the teams' seeding position.

Teams' distribution among the pools was based on a serpentine system used to seed the strongest contestants and to draw for the team seeds of positions #2, #3 and #4 in each pool:

	Position	Pool A	Pool B	Pool C	Pool D	Pool E	Pool F	Pool G	Pool H
Seeding	1	THA	ITA	BRA	USA	TUR	CHN	POL	JPN
3 rd Draw	2	Draw for Seed #9 to Seed #16 and placed starting from Pool H to Pool A -> from teams: CAN, NED, SRB, DOM, GER, BEL, CZE, PUR							
2 nd Draw	3	Draw for Seed #17 to Seed #24 and placed starting from Pool A to Pool H -> from teams: ARG, UKR, FRA, BUL, COL, KEN, CUB, SWE							
1 st Draw	4	Draw for Seed #25 to Seed #32 and placed starting from Pool H to Pool A -> from teams: MEX, SLO, CMR, SVK, ESP, GRE, VIE, EGY							

The Drawing of Lots results are as follows:



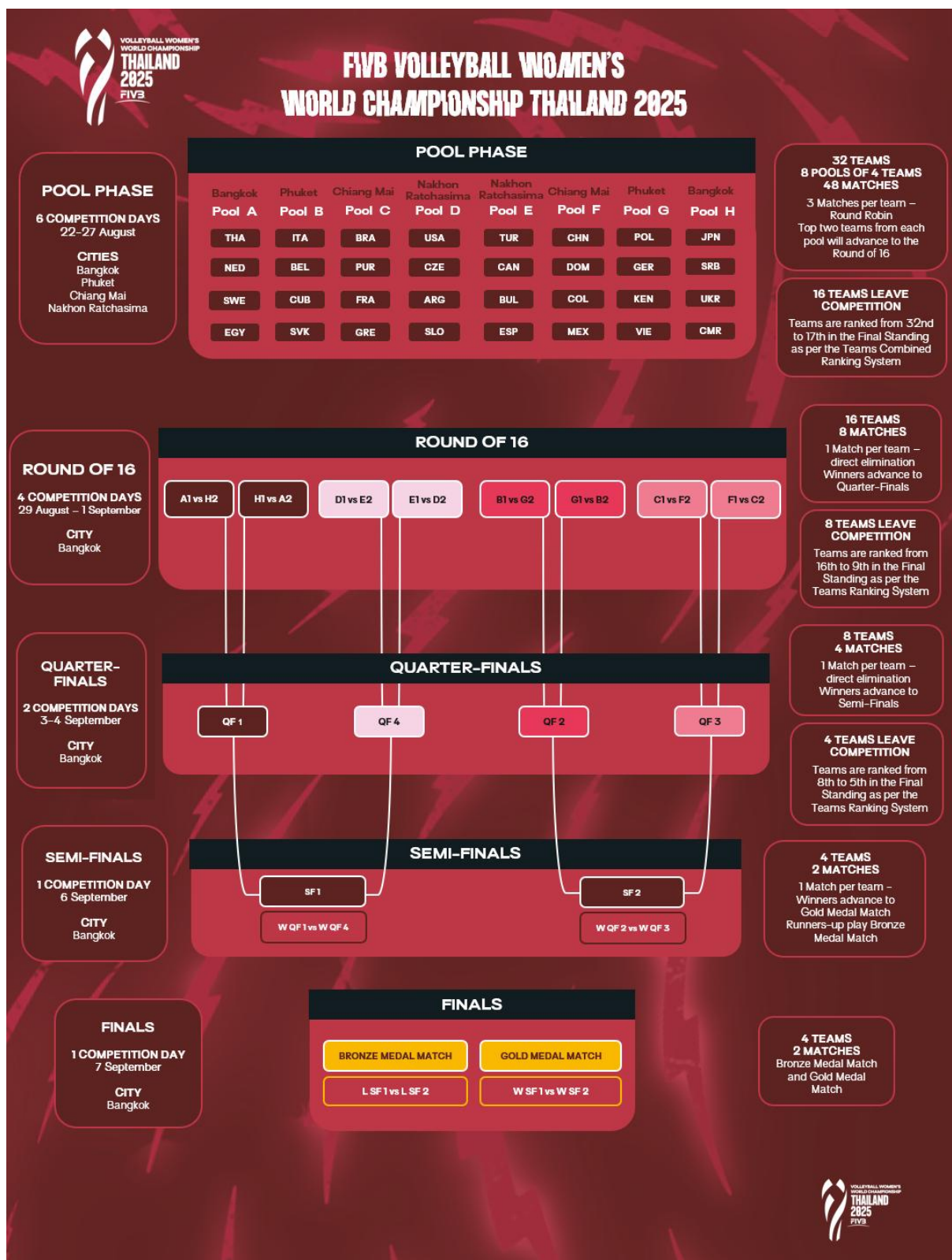
Women's Pools

POOL A BANGKOK	POOL B PHUKET	POOL C CHIANG MAI	POOL D NAKHON RATCHASIMA
1 THA	1 ITA	1 BRA	1 USA
2 NED	2 BEL	2 PUR	2 CZE
3 SWE	3 CUB	3 FRA	3 ARG
4 EGY	4 SVK	4 GRE	4 SLO

POOL E NAKHON RATCHASIMA	POOL F CHIANG MAI	POOL G PHUKET	POOL H BANGKOK
1 TUR	1 CHN	1 POL	1 JPN
2 CAN	2 DOM	2 GER	2 SRB
3 BUL	3 COL	3 KEN	3 UKR
4 ESP	4 MEX	4 VIE	4 CMR

2.3. Competition Formula

During the Event, 64 matches in total will be played across 16 competition days, as follows:



Also available on the Event's website: [HERE](#)

2.4. Teams Combined Ranking System Regulations (for eliminated teams after the Pool Phase only)

To establish the Final Standing of the sixteen (16) eliminated teams after the Pool Phase, the following criteria shall apply:

- a. Position of the team in the Pool (3rd, 4th).
- b. Total number of victories (matches won, matches lost)
- c. In the event of a tie, the following first tiebreaker will apply:
 - Most points gained = the team will be ranked by the most points gained 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 examining the number of victories and points gained, then the FIVB will examine the results in order to break the tie in the following order:
 - Set quotient = If two or more teams have gained the same number of points, they will be ranked by the quotient resulting from the division of the number of all sets won by the number of all sets lost.
 - Points quotient = If the tie persists based on the set quotient, the teams will be ranked by the quotient resulting from the division of all points scored by the total of points lost during all sets.
 - 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.
 - If two or more teams did not play against each other, the tie will be broken based on the highest ranked team in the FIVB Volleyball Senior World Ranking.

2.5. Teams Ranking System Regulations

To establish the Final Standing of eliminated teams after the Round of 16 and Quarter-Finals, the following criteria shall apply:

- a. Total number of victories (matches won, matches lost)
- b. In the event of a tie, the following first tiebreaker will apply:

- Most points gained = the team will be ranked by the most points gained 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 examining the number of victories and points gained, then the FIVB will examine the results in order to break the tie in the following order:
 - Set quotient = If two or more teams have gained the same number of points, they will be ranked by the quotient resulting from the division of the number of all sets won by the number of all sets lost.
 - Points quotient = If the tie persists based on the set quotient, the teams will be ranked by the quotient resulting from the division of all points scored by the total of points lost during all sets.
 - 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.
 - If two or more teams did not play against each other, the tie will be broken based on the highest ranked team in the FIVB Volleyball Senior World Ranking.

2.6. Final Standing Regulations

At the end of the Event, all participating teams will be ranked from 32nd to 1st place as per the following regulations:

- After Pool Phase, eliminated teams will be ranked from 32nd to 17th in the Final Standing as per the Combined Teams Ranking System, including all 3 matches played so far in Pool Phase.
- After Round of 16 Phase, eliminated teams will be ranked from 16th to 9th in the Final Standing as per the Teams Ranking System, including all matches played so far in Pool Phase and Round of 16 Phase.
- After Quarter-Finals, eliminated teams will be ranked from 8th to 5th in the Final Standing as per the Teams Ranking System, including all matches played so far in Pool Phase, Round of 16 and Quarter-Finals.
- The losing teams of the Semi-Finals will compete for 4th and 3rd place and the winning teams of the Semi-Finals will compete for 2nd and 1st place.

3. TEAM ENTRY

3.1. Entry Regulations

a. National team entry deadline

Thirty-two (32) top national teams as per the FIVB Senior World Ranking and any national team with a potential to qualify to the Event were asked to confirm its participation in the Event that they qualified to, by 2 September 2024.

b. 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.

c. 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.

3.2. Entry Fee

No later than **21 JULY 2025**, each National Federation qualified for the Event must send **USD 1'000** as its entry fee to the Organizer:

Beneficiary	Thailand Volleyball Association
Name of the Bank	Kasikorn Bank
Account Number	078-2-62599-5
Swift	KASITHBK
Address of the bank	1 Soi Kasikornthai Ratburana RD. Bangkok 10140

In case of the bank transfer issues, please contact the Organizer: info@volleyball.or.th

3.3. Players Eligibility

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

- the nationality of the country she represents, proving this by means of a passport or other valid, government issued document confirming her nationality; and
- the National Federation as her Federation of Origin; and
- an Anti-Doping Certificate demonstrating that she has successfully completed the [FIVB Play Clean Program](#); and

- d. an E-Learning Course on Prevention of Competition Manipulation Certificate demonstrating that she has successfully completed the [FIVB E-Learning Course on Prevention of Competition Manipulation](#).

3.3.2. 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 O-2 Form of the relevant team).

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

3.3.4. In accordance with Article 2.2.1 of the FIVB Sports Regulations, **only one (1) player** having previously played for another National Team and who has changed Federation of Origin within the last four (4) years can be part of a team, for a given event. The four-year period shall start from the date that the change of Federation of Origin of the player was approved.

3.3.5. Once the passports or other legal documents have been checked and accepted by the FIVB Technical Delegate, the OC will issue the accreditations for players. 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.

3.3.6. In the event that a player is subject to a sanction disqualifying him or her from participating in volleyball competitions by the FIVB after her registration on the O-2 Form, the concerned player shall not be allowed to be registered on the O-2bis Form and shall not be replaced on the O-2 / O-2 bis Forms. The suspension 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.

3.3.7. Each team must have a **minimum of twelve (12) players** for the Event.

3.4. Visa

- a. The arrangement of the physical visa required for Team Delegation members for the Event is the complete responsibility of each team NF.
- b. The respective National Federation is responsible for any costs associated with the passport or entry Visa administration process for the Event for their Team Delegation as well as making the necessary arrangements to get the visa process started on time.
- c. The OC shall provide the appropriate invitation letters to the participating team NFs.

3.5. Insurance

a. The insurance expenses that shall be covered by the OC:

The OC shall takeout and maintain insurance to cover the risks associated with the organization of the Event, including without limitation: loss and any damages which any of the parties may incur at the result of cancelation, abandonment or curtailment of the Event or failure of the transmission of the Event for reasons beyond the control of the parties: death, Injuries or damages to the properties of any third parties (including, without

b. The insurances expenses that shall be covered by each participating Team:

All necessary insurance covering risks as a participating Team Delegation reasonably requires including travel, medical, accident and liability insurance, based on independent professional advice from a reputable insurance company.

c. The insurance expenses that shall be covered by the FIVB:

Insurance coverage for FIVB Officials, FIVB Referees and FIVB staff including travel, illness and accident.

3.6. Team Registration

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

3.6.1. Key Milestones

The following milestones apply regarding the team registration:

EVENT MILESTONE		EVENT DEADLINE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Team Travel Info Form + confirm to LOC any extra members 		15 MAY 2025
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Long List (O-2 Form) - 25 players + Team Officials Play Clean and Prevention of the Competition Manipulation Certificates and completion of Safeguarding Course (players & Team Officials) M-3 Forms (for players) Signed CoC Annexes 1 & 2 (for players) Finalize FIVB Medical IDs Additional files as per requirements below (art. 3.6.2.) 	- 6 weeks	11 JULY 2025
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Uniform Submission 	- 4 weeks	25 JULY 2025
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Short List (O-2bis Form) - 12-14 players + Team Officials 	- 1 day	at the Preliminary Inquiry for the Teams Delegation members concerned

3.6.2. Long List (O-2 Form)

3.6.2.1. 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 Long List of Team Delegation members. This should comprise of a **maximum of twenty-five (25) players**, including Team Officials and indicating the team Captain.

3.6.2.2. After the submission of the signed O-2 Form, the participating NF **cannot** make any changes in the players roster on that Form.

3.6.2.3. All players and Team Officials registered on O-2 Form must have previously obtained the Anti-Doping and E-Learning Course on Prevention of Competition Manipulation certificates by completing the respective online courses on the [FIVB E-Learning platform](#).

3.6.2.4. 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 and be uploaded on the VIS profile of the concerned player under the documentation tab.

3.6.2.5. 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.

3.6.2.6. All Players and Team Officials registered on O-2 Form are required to complete the Safeguarding E-Learning Course, available at the [FIVB E-learning platform](#) and which provides everyone participating in FIVB competitions with comprehensive knowledge on their right to safe sporting environments, free from harassment and abuse.

3.6.2.7. Together with the O-2 Form, the NF must submit/ upload through the VIS the following:

a. For each player:

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

b. For the team:

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

c. 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 .

3.6.3. Short List (O-2bis Form)

5.3.1.1. 3.6.3.1. The Short List (O-2bis Form) shall consist of **12-14 players** from the 25 players previously registered on the Long List (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 the Team Delegation members and the NF no later than one (1) day prior to the Preliminary Inquiry.

3.6.3.2. By individually signing the O-2bis Form, players and Team Officials agree and accept the terms of the [Code of Conduct](#) in its integrity.

3.7. Medical Replacements on Short List (O-2bis Form)

After the Preliminary Inquiry and throughout the Event, a team can replace an injured player on the O-2bis Form, due to medical reasons, with players listed on the O-2 Form provided that a Medical Certificate is filed with the FIVB. The replacement will be subject to FIVB approval.

The respective NF must submit a written request for a replacement to the Technical Delegate and volleyball.teams@fivb.com **one (1) day prior to the match in which the replacement should take place** and **before the publication of the Daily Bulletin**, indicating:

1. the replacement player(s) registered on the Long List (O-2 Form) for the Event.
2. the injured player(s) to be replaced on the Short List (O-2bis Form).
3. in the event that the replacement is granted, the Technical Delegate shall proceed with the replacement(s) in the Short List (O-2bis Form).
4. the updated Short List (O-2bis Form) shall be circulated in the Daily Bulletin.
5. the replacement player(s) shall be allowed to compete as of the following match starting from the day after the publication of the Daily Bulletin in which the updated Short List (O-2bis Form) featuring the replacement player(s) was circulated.
6. Once replacement has been registered, the replaced player will **not** be permitted to participate in the matches for the rest of the Event.

Any expenses (e.g. international travel, ground transportation, etc.) incurred as a result of the replacement (if any) must be covered by the respective team NF. For avoidance of doubt, local services will be provided by the Event's Organizer only to 20 Team Delegation members (12-14 players + 6 Team Officials) registered on the Short List (O-2bis Form).

3.8. Team Composition

3.8.1. Libero

- a. The Head Coach of a team can change the Libero(s) between each match. The Team Manager/Head Coach must inform the Technical Delegate no later than one (1) hour before a match if a Team wishes to change the Libero(s) from that selected for the previous match.
- b. If a team has more than twelve (12) players recorded in the score sheet, the team must designate two (2) Liberos in its team list.
- c. Team composition on O-2bis Form must include one of the following:

SCORE SHEET TEAM LIST	TEAM COMPOSITION
Fourteen (14) players	Twelve (12) regular players + two (2) Liberos
Thirteen (13) players	Eleven (11) regular + two (2) Liberos
Twelve (12) players	Twelve (12) regular + zero (0) Liberos
Twelve (12) players	Eleven (11) regular + one (1) Libero
Twelve (12) players	Ten (10) regular + two (2) Liberos

3.8.2. Team Delegation Members

3.8.2.1. The Team Delegation is comprised of a maximum of 12-14 players, plus 6 Team Officials.

3.8.2.2. The following Team Officials roles must be fulfilled:

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

3.8.2.3. Each Team Delegation shall be comprised of a minimum of one (1) medical staff member at any time as described above. 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.

3.8.2.4. The OC covers the board and lodging for up to fourteen (14) players and six (6) Team Officials.

3.8.2.5. Extra Team Officials (e.g., 2nd Assistant Coach, Physical Trainer, Team Statistician, General Manager, Team Interpreter and etc.) and reserve players (if any) 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 team NF to the OC.

3.8.3. Team Officials on the Bench

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

3.8.3.2. The Team Manager and the Team Journalist are **not** allowed to sit on the team bench.

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

3.8.4. 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.

3.8.5. 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.

3.8.6. Team Statisticians

- a. Dedicated access to the technical video service with two (2) camera angles (one (1) camera behind each service line) will be provided to all participating teams (exclusive access for matches analysis purposes only and not to be shared). The technical videos of all matches will be available live and/or for download:
 - At the competition hall, two (2) cabled access to the live feed will be available to Team Statisticians (one (1) cable per team) in the allocated area behind the respective team's service line.
 - A low-latency livestreaming access will be available to all Team Statisticians connected to the internet. Teams will receive an RTMP link to access the camera. Two (2) spare SDI ports (per camera) for non-playing Team Statisticians. Team Statisticians can use their devices to connect locally to the cameras.
 - Access to matches storage on Google Drive.
- b. Each team is allowed to have a maximum of two (2) Team Statisticians seated in the allocated area behind the service line during that team's respective match with one (1) cabled access to the live feed.
- c. 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.

3.8.7. Team Journalist

- 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:
<https://en.volleyballworld.com/volleyball/competitions/women-world-championship/competition/media-accreditation>

3.8.8. Team Videographer

- 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:
<https://en.volleyballworld.com/volleyball/competitions/women-world-championship/competition/media-accreditation>

4. MEDICAL & ANTI-DOPING

4.1. Participating Teams' Medical Obligations

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

4.1.2. 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.

4.1.3. 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.

4.1.4 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.

4.1.5. 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).

4.2. Participating Teams' Anti-Doping Obligations

4.2.1. 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.

4.2.2. If a player wishes to request a Therapeutic Use Exemption because he has been prescribed a substance for a medical condition that contains a prohibited substance, he 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.

4.2.3. 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](#).

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

5. UNIFORM REGULATIONS

5.1. Players' Uniform

5.1.1. 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.

5.1.2. 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.

5.1.3. The playing uniforms of the Team Captain and the Libero (if different) must be presented during the Preliminary Inquiry.

5.1.4. 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.

5.1.5. Undergarments must not be visible under the uniform (shorts or jersey) and in any event must be of the same colour as the uniform.

5.1.6. 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.

5.2. Special Uniforms

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.

5.3. Team Officials' Uniform

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

- a. All of the Team Officials must wear the official warm up suit and polo shirt of their Team Delegation, **or**
- b. All of the Team Officials must wear the polo shirt and dress trousers of their Team Delegation, **or**
- c. 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.

5.3.2. 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.

5.3.3. Extra Team Officials (if any) must wear the official warm up suit and polo shirt of their Team Delegation, previously approved by the FIVB.

5.3.4. 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.

5.4. Advertising on Team Uniform

5.4.1. 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:

- a. 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)/Manufacturer are different for each event;
- b. 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;
- c. Players and Team Officials' uniform graphic layouts with detailed information such as sizes of logos, letters, advertising, manufacturer, etc.;

- d. Uniform samples' photos – in case of new samples, which are different from the submitted ones or upon the FIVB request.

5.4.2. 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.

5.4.3. 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.

5.5. FIVB Officials and Referees

Mizuno will be the official supplier for FIVB Officials and Referees for the 2025 volleyball season.

New uniforms will be provided to all FIVB Officials & Referees upon their arrival onsite 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.

6. COMPETITION REGULATIONS

6.1. Conducting the Competition

6.1.1. The Event is governed by the FIVB and will be conducted by the FIVB Control Committee.

6.1.2. FIVB Referees appointed by the FIVB will officiate at the Event.

6.1.3. The Event must be conducted in accordance with:

- a. These Competition Regulations;
- b. [Official Volleyball Rules](#);
- c. [FIVB Event Regulations](#);
- d. [FIVB Sports Regulations](#);
- e. [Video Challenge System Regulations](#) & [Team Tablet Regulations](#);
- f. [General Regulations](#);
- g. [Disciplinary Regulations \(Annex: FIVB Framework For Safeguarding Athletes and Other Participants From Harassment And Abuse In Sport\)](#)
- h. [Medical and Anti-Doping Regulations](#);

6.2. Rule Tests

The FIVB and Volleyball World (VW) are continuously looking to improve the game of volleyball. And will affect official volleyball rule tests during the Event to speed up the game and foster fan engagement in the game. A description of the tests shall be provided prior to the Event (if applicable).

6.2.1. "OUT OF ROTATION ERROR" RULE TEST

To test during VNL 2025 and the Age Group, Women's and Men's World Championship the out-of-rotation error for the receiving team, where the referees' whistle determines the rotation, and the toss of the serve marks the moment when athletes may change position on the court.

6.3. Field of Play Layout & Set Up

The Volleyball Field of Play and Volleyball Venue layouts applicable during the Event, are available online: <https://www.fivb.com/volleyball/regulations-and-forms/>

6.4. Sport Equipment

6.4.1. With reference to the [FIVB Event Regulations - Chapter 4](#), the Event will be played with the FIVB homologated equipment only:

- a. Official ball (and rubber-wheeled trolleys): **Mikasa, V200W**.
- b. Net system (net posts, post pads, net antennas, net side bands, nets and referee chairs): **Senoh**.
- c. Synthetic flooring: **Gerflor** (Light Cherry, Wood Oak, Red).
- d. Sub-floor: **Connor Sports Quicklock** (recommended).

6.5. Pre-match Protocol

Please refer to Appendix 1 for the following:

- Official Pre-Match Protocol (applicable for all matches) **[COMING SOON]**

Note: Pre-Match Protocol might be adjusted upon the request of the LOC for promotional reasons.

6.6. VCS Regulations

Available by the following link: [Video Challenge System Regulations 2025 \(NEW VERSION\)](#)

6.7. Team Tablet Regulations

Available by the following link: [Team Tablet Regulations](#)

6.8. Serve Clock

Available by the following link: [Serve Clock Manual](#)

6.9. Technical Timeouts, Team Timeouts, Intervals and Change of Sides

- a. For all matches, **no** Technical Timeout applies.
- b. For all matches, two (2) 30-seconds Team Timeouts are available per team per set.

- c. All Intervals between sets last three (3) minutes, except for the interval between sets 2 and 3 which shall last five (5) minutes.
- d. Teams change sides between sets 2 and 3 only. The court side will be decided at the coin toss before the match, according to the timing provided in the Pre-Match Protocol.

6.10. Other Competition Related Matters

- a. No Line Judges will assist the match, Video Challenge System equipment shall be used instead.
- b. 1st, 2nd, 3rd Referee, and a Challenge Referee will assist each match.
- c. Serve Clock will be operated by the Scorer.
- d. Four (4) ball retrievers will ensure the flow of each match.
- e. Two (2) to four (4) quick moppers will ensure the flow of each match.
- f. The right to request a mid-rally Challenge is removed. Instead, teams can request a Challenge at the end of a rally to review the referee's decision regarding any action during that rally, including the service.

6.11. Towels for Trainings and Matches

- a. Players shall take towels from their hotel room to be used during training sessions
- b. It is the team's responsibility to return the towels back to the hotel

6.12. Collection of Starting Line-up

Teams are required to enter the set 1 starting line-up and libero through the Team Tablet **no later than 25 minutes prior** to the start of the match.

In case of a proven valid injury during the official warm up, the starting lineup be exceptionally changed.

6.13. Competition Progression Regulations

Where possible the place of a team unable to compete will be filled by the next eligible team provided the replacement team has not yet departed after elimination from the competition.

6.13.1. Round of 16

After the Pool Phase, the top two (2) teams from each Pool will advance to the Round of 16. In the event that any of the sixteen (16) qualified teams is declared INCOMPLETE and marked as DNS, the highest ranked team as per the Combined Team Ranking System (not yet qualified to the Round of 16) shall advance to the Round of 16, directly replacing the team declared INCOMPLETE.

6.13.2. Quarter-Finals

After the Round of 16 Phase, eight (8) winning teams will advance to the Quarter-Finals. In the event that any of the eight (8) qualified teams is announced INCOMPLETE and marked DNS, the team, that played against the team declared INCOMPLETE in the Round of 16, shall advance to the Quarter-Finals.

If two or more teams from the same match are deemed INCOMPLETE and marked DNS, contingency measures to select the advancing teams shall be agreed upon by the FIVB, VW and the OCs.

6.13.3. Semi-Finals

If a team qualified to the Semi-Finals is announced INCOMPLETE and marked as DNS, the respective quarterfinalist that played against the team declared INCOMPLETE will take their place.

6.13.4. Finals

In the event a team or teams qualified to the Gold Medal match are announced INCOMPLETE and marked as DNS, Bronze Medal match will be cancelled, and the following medal awarding scenarios would apply:

- a. If one of the two teams is announced INCOMPLETE and marked as DNS and is replaced by its opponent team from the Semi-Final match, the winner is awarded Gold Medal while the losing team and the qualified team marked as DNS are awarded Silver Medals.
- b. If both teams are announced INCOMPLETE and marked as DNS and are replaced by their opponent teams from the Semi-Final matches, the winner is awarded Gold Medal while the losing team and the two qualified teams marked as DNS are awarded Silver Medals.
- c. If one of the teams qualified to the Gold Medal match and the two teams qualified to the Bronze Medal match are announced INCOMPLETE and marked as DNS, the Bronze medal and the Gold medal matches will be cancelled, and the team that is not marked as DNS shall be awarded a Gold Medal, the team that qualified for the Gold Medal match but marked as DNS shall be awarded a Silver Medal while the two teams qualified to the Bronze Medal match marked as DNS shall be awarded with a Bronze Medal.
- d. If the two teams qualified to the Gold Medal match and the two teams qualified to the Bronze Medal match are announced INCOMPLETE and marked as DNS, the Bronze medal and the Gold medal matches are cancelled, and the two teams qualified to the Gold Medal match marked as DNS shall be awarded with a Gold Medal while the two teams qualified to the Bronze Medal match marked as DNS shall be awarded with a Bronze Medal.

6.13.5. Final Standing

The Final Standing shall protect the minimum result of the team, considering the phase of competition at which they could not compete and will consider the results of the last matches completed, including the last match for which the team was marked as DNS.

7. LEGAL MATTERS

7.1. Complaints

7.1.1. All official complaints relating to a match must be presented in writing via email to the FIVB Control Committee President of Technical Delegate(s) within one hour after the end of the match concerned. The complaints procedure to be followed can be found in the [FIVB Event Regulations - Chapter 2](#) and [Rules of the Game](#).

7.1.2. Once the scoresheet for a match 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).

7.1.3. Complaints about the result of a match must be submitted in writing in English within one (1) hour after the end of the concerned match and accompanied by a deposit of CHF 300 cash (or the equivalent in local currency). The deposit shall be refunded immediately, if the complaint is valid.

7.2. Sanctions

7.2.1. All disciplinary matters shall be decided in accordance with the [FIVB Disciplinary Regulations](#) as well as all other relevant FIVB Regulations. Teams are strongly advised to review the FIVB Regulations before this Event. The FIVB Regulations can be found at the following link: <https://www.fivb.com/inside-fivb/legal/constitution-and-regulations/>

7.2.2. The competence to impose sanctions for simple and major offences, except anti-doping rule violations, which shall be decided through a procedure defined in the [FIVB Medical and Anti-Doping Regulations](#), arising on the occasion of a competition is the FIVB Disciplinary Panel Sub-Committee. Mrs. Maria José García Suárez has been appointed as the FIVB Disciplinary Committee member to act as the Disciplinary Panel Sub-Committee for the FIVB Volleyball Women's World Championships 2025 Thailand. Sanctions imposed by the Disciplinary Panel Sub-Committee are final and limited to period of the Event. The FIVB Disciplinary Panel Sub-Committee may refer cases involving potential sanctions beyond the competition to the competent FIVB body.

7.2.3. For purposes of disciplinary offences falling under the [FIVB Disciplinary Regulations](#) or these Specific Competition Regulations for the Event, the period of the Event shall be deemed to start upon teams' arrival at the team hotel to the end of the awarding ceremony for the Event.

7.2.4. The procedure of FIVB Disciplinary Panel Sub-Committee proceedings is governed by Article 14.4 and 16 of the [FIVB Disciplinary Regulations](#), except for Article 16.6 governing appeals as all decisions issued by the FIVB Disciplinary Panel Sub-Committee are final. The procedure shall be conducted in an expedited manner with short deadlines in order to allow for a timely decision as required for in-competition offences while, at the same time, guaranteeing the rights of the concerned person defined in Article 16.2 of the [FIVB Disciplinary Regulations](#).

7.2.5. Below are relevant provisions and sanctions related to participation, control of the athletes' list, failure to arrive with the mandatory number of athletes, uniforms, non-participation in mandatory team activities and other disciplinary matters.

Sanctions relating to non-participation/withdrawal

7.2.6. If a National Federation declares the non-participation of its duly qualified team or simply does not send its team to participate in the Event, it will be sanctioned in accordance with [FIVB Disciplinary Regulations](#) as National Federations have an obligation to participate in competitions in which they have entered a team (Article 12.4.1 of the [FIVB Disciplinary Regulations](#)).

7.2.7. In the event that the National Federation takes the decision not to allow its team to participate in the Event, the FIVB will consider this during the proceedings before the FIVB Disciplinary Panel Sub-Committee.

7.2.8. Withdrawal of the team before the tournament will be sanctioned according to the [FIVB Disciplinary Regulations](#) (Article 12.3) depending on the date of withdrawal. Particularly, withdrawal during the course of the Competition or non-appearance at the beginning of the Competition by a National Team, the National Federation shall be sanctioned as follows in accordance with Article 12.3.6 of the [FIVB Disciplinary Regulations](#):

- a) a fine of up to CHF 50'000.-; and/or
- b) suspension from international competitions for up to two (2) years; and
- c) compulsory reimbursement to the Organising Committee and the FIVB for the expenses borne on behalf of the withdrawing delegation and team, plus damages for loss of income and financial consequences; and

All matches will be declared forfeited 0-3 (0-25, 0-25, 0-25).

Sanctions relating to obstruction to the control of the players' entry list

7.2.9. The National Federation will incur a CHF 1'000.- fine in the case of non- (or incomplete) delivery of team players' entry list and documents (including, but not restricted to the O-2 Form, team and players photographs), in accordance with Article 12.8.1 of the [FIVB Disciplinary Regulations](#).

7.2.10. The National Federation will incur a CHF 5'000.- fine if it fails to deliver the final list of twelve (12) to fourteen (14) players duly signed to the FIVB by the deadline defined in the Team Registration section of current Competition Regulations (above) and required documents duly signed to the FIVB Technical Officials during the Preliminary Inquiry in accordance with Article 12.8.2 of the [FIVB Disciplinary Regulations](#).

Sanctions relating to uniforms

7.2.11. Teams not presenting the samples of their uniforms during the Preliminary Inquiry as required in the Team Registration and Uniform Regulations sections of current Competition Regulations (above) will have to present uniforms or obtain new uniforms within 24 hours and the National Federation will incur a fine of CHF 5'000.- (or the equivalent in local currency).

7.2.12. The National Federation will be subject to a fine of CHF 5'000.- (or the equivalent in local currency) where their National Team presents uniforms that do not comply with the Uniform Regulations section of current Competition Regulations (above).

7.2.13. Where teams do not respect the colour of uniforms as indicated in the O-1 Form as distributed following the Preliminary Inquiry, their respective National Federation will be subject to a fine of CHF 1'000.- (or the equivalent in local currency).

Sanctions relating to non-participation in mandatory team activities

7.2.14. In each case, the National Federation will incur a fine of CHF 1'000.- (or the equivalent in local currency) where Team Managers or Doctors (or Physiotherapist in case a team does not have a Doctor) fail to attend official meetings including the Preliminary Inquiry.

7.2.15. Breach of official protocol may be subject to fines and suspension during the competition or for future activities as determined by the FIVB.

Sanctions relating to media activities

7.2.16. Players and Head Coaches failing to comply with the media obligations defined in Article 11 of these Competition Regulations will be subject to a fine of a minimum of 1,000 CHF. Multiple offences shall be subject to Article 2.9 of the [FIVB Disciplinary Regulations](#).

Sanctions relating to misconduct

7.2.17. All players shall conduct themselves in accordance with the principles and values of sportsmanship and fair play reflected in the [FIVB Disciplinary Regulations](#). Any rude, offensive or aggressive misconduct conducted by an athlete, a coach or a duly accredited member of a team delegation shall be subject to sanction in accordance with Articles 2.1 and 8 of the [FIVB Disciplinary Regulations](#).

Sanctions relating to other violations of the FIVB Disciplinary Regulations

7.2.18. Sanctions may also be imposed for violations of the [FIVB Disciplinary Regulations](#) and other [FIVB Regulations](#) in accordance with the [FIVB Disciplinary Regulations](#).

7.2.19. All sanctions mentioned above may be applied cumulatively.

7.3. Forfeit

- a. If a team is unable to produce six (6) players for a match, the match(es) will be automatically forfeited (3-0).
- b. Forfeit of a team with more than six (6) players may also be subject to sanctions as per the [FIVB Disciplinary Regulations](#).

8. TRAINING & MATCH SCHEDULES

8.1. Match Schedule Regulations

The final match schedule is available online: [HERE](#)

8.1.1. The pairing of the matches in Pool Phase is assigned in accordance with the Berger system designed for a Round Robin competition system once the composition of the Pool(s) is known.

8.1.2. The order of the matches in a pool can be altered based on the request of the Media Rights Holders.

8.1.3. The OC, FIVB/VW and the HTVB to work together on the schedule based on the scheduling regulations described in the [FIVB Event Regulations](#).

8.1.4. A match schedule once approved by the FIVB, is made available on the Event's official website.

8.1.5.. Any changes to the match schedule before the start of the Event are subject to the approval of the FIVB.

8.1.6. After the start of the Event, changes to the match times are possible only in contingency situations upon exceptional approval of the FIVB Control Committee President in the event of previous match delays or over-run.

8.2. Pre-Match Warm-up

The two competing teams shall warm up on the competition court at least one (1) hour prior to the start of each match.

8.3. Training Facilities

The OC shall make available Training Courts and fitness gym in each Host City to accommodate the teams' needs, as well as provide transportation and water.

8.4. Training / Fitness Schedule Regulations

a. On **OFF-DAYS**, each team must be 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.).

b. On **FAMILIARIZATION TRAINING DAY**, each team must be guaranteed:

- 1x 1h familiarization session on the competition court minimum 1 day before their first match on that court.
- Teams may also request 1 x 1-hour fitness session.

c. On **COMPETITION DAYS**, each team must be guaranteed:

- 1x 1-hour volleyball uninterrupted training session.
- Teams may also request 1x 1-hour fitness session, subject to availability.

d. **MATCH DAY TRAINING SCHEDULING POLICY:**

- 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.
- The training times on competition days are defined according to the team match-up sequence.

- **Training Timings:**

Earliest morning training starts at 08:00.

Latest evening training starts at 21:00.

c. 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.
- Training must not be scheduled at the same time as the Preliminary Inquiry, or any other activities related to the Event requiring Team Delegations' participation.

d. 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.

e. TRAINING CONFIRMATION & CHANGES:

- If additional training is requested by a team, it is at the discretion of the LOC to facilitate this with the prior approval of the FIVB Technical Delegate on site.
- 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.

The LOC must provide a Fitness Gym training facility to be used by the teams upon their request, as well as provide transportation and water.

8.5. Training Court Equipment

- Gerflor taraflex floor, net, telescopic posts and pads for the training court.
- 2 x Mikasa ball carriers and 40 x Mikasa V200W balls for training court.
- Adequate lighting (min 500 lux), AC and/or heating (if needed).

8.6. Fitness Training Equipment

- Squat racks w/ Olympic barbell at each rack
- Weights to accompany squat racks (4x25kg/rack, 4x20kg/rack, 2x10kg/rack, 2x5kg/rack, 2x2.5kg/rack)
- Barbell collars (2/rack, 2/platform)
- Dumbbells ranging from 2.5kg/5lbs -45kg/90lbs in 2.5kg/5lb increments
- Bench press w/ barbell
- Adjustable benches
- Medicine balls ranging from 3kg-10kg (in 1 kg increments)
- Adjustable height cable/pulley system
- Lat pulldown machine

- j. Seated row machine
- k. Leg press
- l. Prone leg curl machine
- m. Seated leg extension machine
- n. Spin bike
- o. Treadmills
- p. Elliptical machines
- q. Smith machine
- r. Pull-up bar
- s. Box jump
- t. Floor mats
- u. Swiss ball
- v. Kettlebell ranging from 6kg –20 kg
- w. Pvcor wood stick 1m50cm long
- x. Trap bar

9. EVENT SCHEDULE

9.1. Event Schedule

-4 days	Arrival of the FIVB Control Committee President and FIVB Technical Delegates
-2 days (-3 for arrivals to Nakhon Ratchasima)	Arrival of the participating teams, FIVB Referees, FIVB Referee Coaches and FIVB Medical Delegates
-1 day	Preliminary Inquiry, Press Conference (TBC), Photoshoot, Familiarization Trainings, Dress Rehearsal
+1 day (after elimination/end of event)	Departure

A detailed Event Schedule will be available in the Playbook provided by the LOC two (2) weeks prior to the Event.

9.2. Meetings & Team Briefings

Team Managers and Doctors/Physiotherapists must be present at the meetings (and briefings) they are required to attend as defined in the Event Schedule.

9.2.1 Preliminary Inquiry

- a. Team delegations must arrive no later than 2 days before the start of the Event and be available for the Preliminary Inquiry. The Preliminary Inquiry shall take place the day before the start of the Event at the Team's Hotel or Competition Venue. Location and date shall be confirmed in the Event Schedule.
- b. The Preliminary Inquiry will be carried out in accordance with the [FIVB Event Regulations](#).

- c. In addition to the foregoing, the FIVB Control Committee President / FIVB Technical Delegate shall inform the Team Managers of the presence of the FIVB Safeguarding Officer during the Event in order to address actual or potential cases of harassment and abuse.

Compulsory Attendance:

- Assigned FIVB Officials (FIVB Technical Delegate, VW Event Ops Supervisor (if applicable), FIVB Medical Delegate (if any), FIVB Staff (if any) to conduct the Preliminary Inquiry.
- OC Administration Manager, 2 Local Assistants, Local Accreditation Manager (to issue ID cards following each Team's inquiry), Local VIS Manager.
- Teams Delegations:
 - Team Manager
 - Team Doctor / Physiotherapist
 - Team Liaison

Team Delegation Requirements:

- Signed O-2bis Form to be submitted in VIS
- Passport of all players
- Doctor's / Physiotherapist FIVB Medical ID-cards
- Team Journalist's Accreditation (if applicable)
- One (1) sample of each set of the Captain's and Libero's (if different) playing uniform (one (1) of each colour)
- Team Officials' uniform samples (Training Jacket, Pants and Polo)
- Any "injury prevention devices" that the players will be using
- Advertising on Team Uniform Approval Certificate
- Application form for the use of a video camera to tape the matches for purely technical use, excluding all commercial exploitation
- Receipts issued by the OC for expenses relating to extra Team Delegation members

Organizer Requirements:

- Meeting room for 15 people, at the Teams' Hotel, stocked with water
- Team Video Camera Form and camera stickers
- Accreditation Cards for Team Delegations
- Computer equipment with VIS and office software for the production of VIS
- Invitation letter for the Head Coaches & Captains for the Press Conference (if applicable)
- Stationery – ruler, folders, paper, hole punch, stapler
- Photocopier/printer

Technical Delegates' obligations:

- Team Compositions Lists (O-2 and O-2bis forms, taken from VIS)
- Preliminary Inquiry form (O-7, taken from VIS)
- Choice of Uniform Colours Form with match schedule (O-1 Form, taken from the VIS)
- Match schedule for the Bulletin (taken from the VIS)
- Cover of the Daily Bulletin

- Daily Bulletin distribution list
- Training schedule

9.3. Daily Bulletin

Daily Bulletin shall be issued per host city at a time indicated below and distributed to the stakeholders of the entire event in Thailand, as per the mailing list provided by the FIVB Technical Delegate. The naming of the Daily Bulletin shall be kept the same across all the cities, specifying on the cover page the name of the city where the Daily Bulletin has been issued.

Example: WWCH 2025 - Daily Bulletin #1 – Nakhon Ratchasima.

a. 1st Daily Bulletin – Distributed after the Preliminary Inquiries:

- Cover page
- Official Communication (if any)
- O-2bis Forms
- Match Schedule
- Choice of Uniform Colors (O-1)
- Training Schedule

b. Daily Bulletins – Distributed at the end of each match day:

- Cover page
- Official communication (if any)
- Competition Standing (P-4)
- Match Result (P-2)
- Teams Combined ranking after Pool Phase & Teams ranking after R16 and QFs

c. Final Bulletin – Distributed after the gold medal match:

- Cover page
- Official communication (if any)
- Dream Team
- Competition Standing (P-4)
- Match Result (P-2)
- Players Ranking (P-5)
- Teams Ranking (P-6)

10. TRAVEL, ACCOMMODATION & LOCAL SERVICES

10.1. LOC Key Information

	LOC-THAILAND
Contact person(s)	Mr. Nattapong Kesapan
Contact phone(s)	info@volleyball.or.th

POOLS	CITY	TEAMS' ARRIVAL DATE	OFFICIAL AIRPORT
A & H	Bangkok	20 AUG 2025 (d -2)	Suvarnabhumi Airport (BKK)
D & E	Nakhon Ratchasima	19 AUG 2025 (d-3) *	Suvarnabhumi Airport (BKK)
B & G	Phuket	20 AUG 2025 (d -2)	Phuket International Airport (HKT)
C & F	Chiang Mai	20 AUG 2025 (d -2)	Chiangmai International Airport (CNX)

*no airport in Nakhon Ratchasima -> arrival date anticipated by the LOC.

	BANGKOK	NAKHON RATCHASIMA	PHUKET	CHIANG MAI
Official Hotel	Grand Fourwings Hotel	Kantary Hotel Korat	Courtyard Marriott Phuket Town Hotel	Kantary Hills Hotel, Chiang Mai
Competition Venue	Indoor Stadium Huamark (3.5km / 15min drive from Hotel)*	Chatchai Hall (8km / 20min drive from Hotel)*	Saphan Hin Municipal Stadium (2km / 10min drive from Hotel)*	Chiang Mai International Exhibition and Convention Centre (5km / 15min drive from Hotel)*
Training Venue	Sports Science Center (next to Competition Venue, 5min walk)	Municipal Stadium – Hall 1 (next to Competition Venue, 5min walk)	Phuket Municipal Stadium – Hall 1 (next to Competition Venue, 5min walk)	Chiang Mai International Exhibition and Convention Centre (same as Competition Venue)
Fitness Gym	SAT Gym (in the Training Venue)	Fitness First Gym (in Mall Korat, 2km / 10min drive)*	Club Asia Fitness (in Royal Phuket City Hotel, 5min walk from Official Hotel)	Jetts Fitness at One Nimman (1km / 5min drive)*

***Please note:** The travel times listed in the table above do not account for potential traffic on the roads/force majeure. Please plan accordingly and allow extra time if needed to arrive on time.

10.2. Team Delegation Information

To ensure smooth logistics and accommodation arrangements, **by 15 MAY 2025** each participating NF must submit their team's travel details through the Team Travel Information Form and provide the following information to the Event's Organizer:

- a. Earlier arrival and later departure (if applicable)
- b. Exact number of Team Delegation members
- c. Rooming list
- d. Training needs

If a team brings more members than initially confirmed, the Organizer will make every effort to accommodate them. However, if additional rooms are unavailable, it will be the team's responsibility to find suitable lodging.

If a team arrives with fewer members than confirmed, the cost of the reserved rooms will still be charged to the team.

10.3. Local Transportation

10.3.1 The OC is responsible to provide ground transportation from:

- a. Airport/Train Station to Hotel to Airport/Train Station
- b. Hotel to Venue to Hotel
- c. Hotel to Training Court and/or Fitness Gym to Hotel
- d. Venue to Training Court and/or Fitness Gym to Venue
- e. Venue/Hotel to Hospital to Venue/Hotel in the event of a medical emergency

10.3.2. The OC is responsible to provide local transportation for all Event participants (for teams, only 20 members are included) to the Event location of the next phase.

10.3.3 Any of the above transportation must provide water in the vehicles. All vehicles shall be equipped with air conditioning.

10.4. Accommodation

10.4.1. The OC shall arrange for and bear all of the local living and accommodation costs of all of the participating Team Delegations (maximum of 20 people / per Team Delegation) from the official arrival day (2 days prior to the start of the Event, at standard hotel check in time (around 2pm) with lunch) 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).

10.4.2. The OC must provide each Team Delegation with six (6) single and seven (7) twin rooms (2 separate beds) for a maximum of twenty (20) people (14 players and 6 Team Officials).

10.4.3. The LOC's responsibility to accommodate event participants starts on the day of arrival at standard hotel check in time (around 2pm) with lunch, and ends on the day of departure at standard hotel check out time (around 11am) with breakfast. Any early check-ins or late check-outs must be pre-arranged with the LOC and any associated costs shall be covered by the team NF.

10.4.4. If a Team Delegation travels earlier/later than the official arrival/departure day (mentioned above) and/or has a larger group than twenty (20) Team Delegation members, the respective team NF shall be responsible and pay the OC, in advance of the Event, for such extra costs that it occurs as a result of such

circumstance(s). However, where a Team Delegation is unable, for force majeure reasons, to leave the relevant Host City within one day after its elimination from the Event, the OC must bear the accommodation cost until their departure.

10.4.5. The OC shall ensure the Team Hotel(s) provides a minimum of three (3) rooms of every eight (8) Team Delegations for meeting and video analysis, equipped with a projector screen, which every Team Delegation can use at least once a day for one and a half (1.5) hours.

10.4.6. A deposit of a maximum of 50 USD (or equivalent local currency) can be required per room.

10.4.7. Any damages need to be claimed by directly the respective party within 24 hours.

10.5. Catering

10.5.1. Team Delegations catering shall include three (3) buffet style meals and one snack for each Team Delegation member per day.

10.5.2. Catering will be provided in the hotel based on the schedule of each Team Delegation.

10.6. Local Services

10.6.1. Daily access to a laundry (wash and fold) service for each Team Delegation and FIVB/VW Officials, Staff and Representatives covered by the OC as follows:

- Players and Team Officials: 6 sports equipment/items on training & match days per day/per person.
- FIVB/VW Officials, Staff and Representatives: 4 items per day/per person, starting as of 4 days prior to the first match day.

10.6.2. Any personal laundry can be included but will be paid for by individual.

10.6.3. Minimum 30kg of ice per day/per team:

- all 30kg at the Venue but ice baskets/bags to be provided (to carry ice to the Hotel) , or
- 15kg at the Venue and 15 kg at the Hotel, depending on the availability.

10.6.4. Large amounts of water will be available both at Hotel and Venue.

10.7. Rate Card

10.7.1. The OC shall provide a Rate Card in the Playbook for full board accommodation (including daily 3 meals and a snack, daily laundry, ground transportation, access to the competition and training venues) in the event that participating teams have extra members in their Team Delegation or arrive earlier/depart later than the designated arrival/departure day.

10.8. Team Accreditation

Will be provided by the Organizers at the Preliminary Inquiry.

10.9. Playbook

A playbook with all necessary local information will be sent by the OC to all participating teams, Officials and Service Providers at least two (2) weeks prior to the start of the Event. The following information will be provided:

- a. Pool Composition & Match Schedule
- b. OC Chart & Contacts
- c. Team Liaison Contacts
- d. FIVB/VW Chart & Contacts
- e. Pre-match Protocol
- f. Training Principles & Schedule
- g. Preliminary Inquiry Requirements & Schedule
- h. Event Practical Info
- i. Competition Venue
- j. Venue Zoning Map & Flows
- k. Team Seating
- l. Team Video Area
- m. Mixed Zone and Press Conferences
- n. Venue Transport
- o. Training Venue
- p. Fitness Gym
- q. Accommodation
- r. Catering
- s. Meeting Rooms
- t. Laundry
- u. Rate Card
- v. Medical Services and procedures to be followed
- w. During Competition & Training
- x. Out of Competition & Training
- y. Daily Activity Schedule for Officials and Service Providers

10.10. Teams' Tickets

Each Team Delegation will be provided by the Organizer with 14 regular complimentary tickets per session (for the Pool in which the participating team is competing). Tickets can be requested through the Team Liaison.

In the event that the participating team does not use its full tickets' allocation, the remaining tickets will be released to the Organizer.

11. TEAMS PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES OBLIGATIONS

Each team shall use its best efforts to ensure and facilitate that their national team players actively take part in reasonable promotional and fan engagement activities—whether in person, on social media, in press conferences, or other media—for the Event, FIVB, VW, FIVB partners, and broadcasters, as requested by FIVB and VW.

This also includes cooperating with any FIVB and VW requests related to the international feed or social media content—like interviews or wearing tracking devices, microphones, etc., before, during, or after games.

11.1. Mixed Zone, Flash Interviews, Media Conferences

11.1.1. All players and Head Coaches departing the FOP must exit through the Mixed Zone to allow for brief interviews with the media.

11.1.2. Team Delegations shall be notified in due time regarding participants for mandatory attendance at Media Conferences or any official Event Media Activities, including schedule and required attire.

11.1.3. During the Preliminary Inquiry, each team has to identify players that are comfortable doing flash interviews conducted at the end of each match. The selected players must be fluent in English or notify in advance of a need for a translator.

11.2. Teams Photoshoot

Each Team Delegation/player who did not participate in VNL 2025 shall be available for a photoshoot organized by the FIVB/VW before the start of the Event, according to the schedule provided in the Event Schedule.

For the photoshoot, the player shall wear official game jersey and shorts, and the Head Coach shall wear official polo and training pants, as previously approved by the FIVB.

11.3. Opening / Awarding Ceremonies

Each Team Delegation must respect the Opening/Awarding Ceremonies protocol and running order including the uniforms' obligations communicated by the FIVB / Organizer.

12. AWARDS & PRIZE MONEY

12.1. Awards

12.1.1. The Event Trophy shall be awarded by the FIVB and the OC to the World Champions of the Event. FIVB produces, pays for and supplies the Event Trophy.

12.1.2. 20 medals per Team Delegation shall be awarded to the players and Team Officials of the teams finishing in 1st, 2nd and 3rd places. FIVB/VW produces, pays for and supplies such medals.

12.1.3. Any additional medals for teams finishing in 1st, 2nd and 3rd places can be purchased through the official FIVB/VW Supplier at each team's own expense. Please contact volleyball@fivb.com for more information.

12.1.4. Should third parties wish to award additional prizes or trophies to the teams or to the individual players, FIVB's previous approval and permission must be obtained by no later than thirty (30) days before the Event.

12.1.5. The winner of the FIVB Volleyball WCH 2025 qualifies to the FIVB Volleyball WCH 2027

12.2. Prize Money

12.2.1. FIVB shall pay a prize money to the top teams in the Final Standing of the Event. Exact details of the prize money shall be communicated to the Team Delegations before the start of the Event.

12.2.2. Prize money earned by participating team(s) shall be paid to the team NF by the FIVB.

12.2.3. Total prize money of **1'750'000 USD** to be paid to the NFs participating as follows:

1st PLACE	\$1'000'000
2nd PLACE	\$500'000
3rd PLACE	\$250'000
TOTAL:	\$1'750'000

12.3. Dream Team

12.3.1. Seven Individual Awards to the best players (Dream Team) of the Event by role on the court: 1 Setter, 1 Opposite, 2 Outside Hitters, 2 Middle Blockers and 1 Libero, and 1 award to the Most Valuable Player (MVP) of the Event.

12.3.2. Dream Team monetary Individual Awards (if applicable) shall be paid to the individual players and not their respective team NF.

12.3.3. Total prize money of **450'000 USD** to be paid to the winners of the individual awards as follows:

MVP	\$100'000
BEST SETTER	\$50'000
BEST OPPOSITE	\$50'000
BEST OUTSIDE HITTER	\$50'000
BEST OUTSIDE HITTER	\$50'000
BEST MIDDLE BLOCKER	\$50'000
BEST MIDDLE BLOCKER	\$50'000
BEST LIBERO	\$50'000
TOTAL:	\$ 450'000