

COMPETITION REGULATIONS

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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 <u>FIVB Event Regulations</u>, the provisions of the FIVB Event Regulations shall apply.
- c) Unless the context requires otherwise, a reference to the Event shall mean the Volleyball Nations League Men and Women 2024, 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.

COMPETITION FORMULA

2.1. Concept

The Volleyball Nations League (VNL) is played based on a new competition formula as of the 2022 edition. This annual league for men and women national volleyball teams will see the best 16 teams per gender compete for the title of VNL Champion; however, the number of matches, locations and team travels have been reduced to optimize the performance of the teams, the quality of the events and its promotion worldwide.

With a total of 104 matches per gender throughout the Preliminary Phase and the Final Phase, every team plays a minimum of 12 matches.

The competition formula is built following the below steps:

- 1. HOSTS = Definition of hosts per week
- 2. TEAM RANKING = Teams ranked per World Ranking after previous VNL edition
- 3. SPORTING STRENGTH = Teams split into 4 categories based on sporting strength
- 4. TECHNICAL BALANCE = Every week each team faces 1 team per category
- 5. FAIRNESS = A total of 12 matches per team against 3 teams from each category



	WOMEN	MEN
1	TUR	POL
2	USA	USA
3	ITA	ITA
4	BRA	BRA
5	SRB	JPN
6	CHN	FRA
7	POL	ARG
8	JPN	SLO
9	DOM	SRB
10	NED	IRI
- 11	GER	NED
12	CAN	TUR
13	THA	CUB
14	BUL	GER
15	FRA	CAN
16	KOR	BUL

WOMEN POOLS & MATCHUPS

***	Antalya, TUR Rio de Janeiro, BRA						
ITA vs TUR	ITA vs BUL	ITA vs POL	NED vs TUR	BRA vs USA	SRB vs BRA	CHN vs SRB	CHN vs USA
POL vs JPN	POL vs NED	JPN vs TUR	GER vs ITA	SRB vs DOM	CAN vs DOM	DOM vs USA	CAN vs BRA
BUL vs NED	JPN vs GER	GER vs NED	BUL vs JPN	CAN vs CHN	THA vs USA	THA vs CAN	THA vs SRB
FRA vs GER	FRA vs TUR	FRA vs BUL	FRA vs POL	THA vs KOR	KOR vs CHN	KOR vs BRA	KOR vs DOM
	Macau	, MAC			Arlingto	on, USA	
BRA vs JPN	ITA vs FRA	ITA vs CHN	BRA vs ITA	SRB vs TUR	SRB vs BUL	USA vs TUR	SRB vs CAN
DOM vs ITA	BRA vs THA	BRA vs NED	NED vs CHN	CAN vs GER	GER vs POL	POL vs SRB	POL vs USA
THA vs CHN	JPN vs CHN	DOM vs JPN	THA vs DOM	BUL vs USA	CAN vs USA	BUL vs GER	GER vs TUR
FRA vs NED	NED vs DOM	FRA vs THA	FRA vs JPN	KOR vs POL	KOR vs TUR	KOR vs CAN	KOR vs BUL
	Hong Ko	ng, HKG			Fukuo	ka, JPN	
CHN vs POL	TUR vs THA	TUR vs BRA	CHN vs TUR	ITA vs USA	ITA vs CAN	USA vs FRA	ITA vs KOR
DOM vs TUR	BRA vs POL	POL vs THA	DOM vs POL	SRB vs FRA	JPN vs SRB	SRB vs ITA	JPN vs USA
GER vs BRA	CHN vs GER	GER vs DOM	GER vs THA	JPN vs CAN	NED vs USA	CAN vs NED	NED vs SRB
BUL vs THA	DOM vs BUL	BUL vs CHN	BUL vs BRA	NED vs KOR	FRA vs KOR	KOR vs JPN	CAN vs FRA



MEN POOLS & MATCHUPS

Antalya, TUR					Rio de Jar	neiro, BRA	
SLO vs FRA	FRA vs USA	USA vs POL	NED vs SLO	ARG vs BRA	JPN vs ITA	ARG vs JPN	BRA vs ITA
NED vs POL	SLO vs POL	SLO vs CAN	TUR vs USA	SRB vs GER	SRB vs BRA	IRI vs SRB	JPN vs SRB
TUR vs CAN	TUR vs NED	TUR vs FRA	CAN vs POL	IRI vs ITA	IRI vs ARG	CUB vs BRA	ARG vs GER
BUL vs USA	BUL vs CAN	BUL vs NED	BUL vs FRA	CUB vs JPN	CUB vs GER	GER vs ITA	CUB vs IRI
	Fukuok	ka, JPN			Ottawa	a, CAN	
POL vs BUL	JPN vs POL	POL vs BRA	POL vs TUR	FRA vs ITA	USA vs SRB	FRA vs NED	USA vs ITA
SLO vs TUR	IRI vs BRA	JPN vs SLO	BRA vs SLO	ARG vs USA	ITA vs NED	SRB vs ARG	ARG vs FRA
IRI vs JPN	TUR vs GER	TUR vs IRI	GER vs JPN	SRB vs NED	CUB vs FRA	CUB vs ITA	CUB vs NED
GER vs BRA	BUL vs SLO	BUL vs GER	BUL vs IRI	CAN vs CUB	CAN vs ARG	CAN vs USA	CAN vs SRB
	Ljubljar	na, SLO			Manila	a, PHI	
ITA vs POL	ARG vs POL	SRB vs POL	SRB vs SLO	BRA vs USA	JPN vs USA	IRI vs FRA	IRI vs USA
SLO vs ARG	SLO vs ITA	TUR vs ARG	TUR vs ITA	FRA vs JPN	FRA vs BRA	NED vs BRA	NED vs JPN
TUR vs SRB	CUB vs SRB	CUB vs SLO	CUB vs POL	IRI vs NED	GER vs IRI	GER vs USA	GER vs FRA
BUL vs CUB	BUL vs TUR	BUL vs ITA	BUL vs ARG	GER vs CAN	CAN vs NED	CAN vs JPN	CAN vs BRA

WOMEN PARTICIPATING TEAMS

11 Core Teams	BRA / CHN / GER / ITA / JPN / KOR / NED / SRB / THA / TUR / USA
5 Challenger Teams	BUL / CAN / DOM / FRA / POL

MEN PARTICIPATING TEAMS

10 Core Teams	ARG / BRA / FRA / GER / IRI / ITA / JPN / POL / SRB / USA
6 Challenger Teams	BUL / CAN / CUB / NED / SLO / TUR







2.2. Competition formula — Preliminary Phase

- a. 16 teams
- b. Preliminary Phase played over 3 weeks
- c. 12 matches per team
- d. 96 matches in total per gender in the VNL Preliminary Phase

2.3. Qualification to the Final Phase

a. The top eight teams as per the Teams Ranking System at the end of the Preliminary Phase advance to the Final Phase (quarterfinals). The national team of the hosting territory of the event will have a guaranteed berth to the Final Phase.



2.4. Competition Formula — Final Phase

Final Phase will be played in a Final 8 direct elimination formula:

- a. The 1st ranked team will play a quarterfinal match against the 8th ranked team, the 2nd ranked team will play a quarterfinal match against the 7th ranked team, the 3rd ranked team will play a quarterfinal match against the 6th ranked team, the 4th ranked team will play a quarterfinal match against the 5th ranked team:
- b. The Host Team will keep its natural seeding if the team is among the top eight (8) teams in the Final Standing after the VNL Preliminary Phase:

Quarterfinal 1	1st Ranked Team vs 8th Ranked Team
Quarterfinal 2	2 nd Ranked Team vs 7 th Ranked Team
Quarterfinal 3	3 rd Ranked Team vs 6 th Ranked Team
Quarterfinal 4	4 th Ranked Team vs 5 th Ranked Team

c. The Host Team is placed in 8th position if the team is not among the top eight (8) teams in the Final Standing after the VNL Preliminary Phase:

Quarterfinal 1	1 st Ranked Team vs Host Team
Quarterfinal 2	2 nd Ranked Team vs 7 th Ranked Team
Quarterfinal 3	3 rd Ranked Team vs 6 th Ranked Team
Quarterfinal 4	4 th Ranked Team vs 5 th Ranked Team

^{*} Order of the quarterfinals can be changed based on the request of the Media Rights Holders.

- d. The teams that do not win the quarterfinals will be ranked 5th to 8th in the Final Standing of the VNL 2024 as per the Teams Ranking System (including result of the Preliminary Phase) (see clause 2.5 of these Competition Regulations);
- e. The winner of the quarterfinal 1 will play a semi-final match against the winner of the quarterfinal 4 and the winner of the quarterfinal 2 will play a semi-final match against the winner of the quarterfinal 3:

Semi-final 1	Winner QF1 vs Winner QF4
Semi-final 2	Winner QF2 vs Winner QF3

^{*}Order of the semi-finals can be changed based on the request of the Media Rights Holders.

f. Winners of the semi-finals will play for the VNL Champion title whilst the teams that do not win the semi-finals will play for 3rd place in the competition:

Final for Bronze	Loser SF1 vs Loser SF2	
Final for Gold	Winner SF1 vs Winner SF2	

2.5. Teams Ranking System

To establish the ranking of the teams 1. After the Preliminary Phase and 2. After the quarterfinals, the following criteria 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	O points
Match forfeited	O points (25-0, 25-0, 25-0)

- c. If teams are still tied after examining the number of victories and points gained, then the FIVB will examine the results to break the tie in the following order:
 - I. Set ratio = If two or more teams are tied on the number of points gained, they will be ranked by the ratio resulting from the division of the number of all sets won by the number of all sets lost.
 - II. Points ratio = If the tie persists based on the set ratio, the teams will be ranked by the ratio resulting from the division of all points scored by the total of points lost during all sets.
 - III. If the tie continues to persist based on the point ratio, the tie will be broken based on the team that won the match of the Preliminary Phase between the tied teams. When the tie in point ratio is between three or more teams, these teams will be ranked taking into consideration only the matches involving the teams in question.
 - IV. If two or more teams did not play against each other, the tie will be broken based on the highest ranked team in the World Ranking.

2.6. VNL Promotion-Relegation Process

The VNL promotion-relegation system is determined in accordance with the competition formula 2025 and onwards approved by the VNL Council on 16 January 2024.

VNL 2024

- a. No team shall be relegated after the VNL 2024 edition.
- b. The winner of the VCC 2024 will be promoted to the VNL 2025.
- c. The best team in the World Ranking not yet qualified post VCC 2024 will be promoted to the VNL 2025.

As of VNL 2025 and onwards

- a. No more core team status to protect from relegation.
- b. 18 teams will be participating as of the VNL 2025 edition and onwards.
- c. The last team in the Final Standing will be relegated.
- d. The best team in the World Ranking as of the end of the VNL edition and that did not participate in the VNL will be promoted to the next edition. For the avoidance of doubt, the relegated team will not qualify as the promoted team.

2.7. Final Standing

At the end of the VNL 2024, all participating teams will be ranked from 16th to 1st place as per the following regulations:

a. After the Preliminary Phase, eliminated teams will be ranked as per the Teams Ranking System from 16th to 9th place.



- b. After the quarterfinals, eliminated teams will be ranked as per the Teams Ranking System from 8th to 5th place.
- c. During the Final Phase, the teams that do not win the semi-finals will compete for 4th and 3rd place and the winners of the semi-finals will compete for 2nd and 1st place.

TEAM ENTRY



3.1. Eligibility of Players

- a. A player is eligible to play for the National Team of a National Federation if he / she has:
 - 1) 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;
 - 2) the National Federation as his / her Federation of Origin;
 - 3) an Anti-Doping Certificate demonstrating that he / she has successfully completed the FIVB Play Clean program;
 - 4) an E-Learning Course on Prevention of Competition Manipulation Certificate demonstrating that he / she has successfully completed the E-Learning Course on the Prevention of Competition Manipulation (Annex: FIVB PCMC).

b. 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 Control Committee shall verify in particular that a player does not have multiple profiles on the VIS).



- c. 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.
- d. All Players and Team Officials are required to complete the Safeguarding E-Learning Course, available at the <u>FIVB E-learning platform</u> and which provides everyone participating in FIVB competitions with comprehensive knowledge on their right to safe sporting environments, free from harassment and abuse.
- e. 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.
- f. 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.
- g. Each Team must have a minimum of twelve (12) players for the Event.

3.2. Team Registration

- a. National Federations (NFs) are responsible for registering their Team Delegation through the Volleyball Information System (VIS). Login details are provided by FIVB to each NF.
- b. Two (2) key milestones apply:

Step 1	Long List (O-2 Form)	16 April 2024 (Women) 23 April 2024 (Men)	List of up to 30 players to be remitted 4 weeks prior to the start of the VNL 2024.
Step 2	Weekly Roster (O-2bis Form)	-1 day before each VNL Pool	List of 12-14 players and up to 4 reserve players (if any) confirmed at the Preliminary Inquiry -1 day before each VNL Pool and VNL Finals.

STEP 1 — LONG LIST (O-2 FORM) (-4 WEEKS)

The participating NFs must register their Team Delegation through the <u>Volleyball Information System</u> (<u>VIS</u>), with the FIVB at least four (4) weeks before the start of the competition.

The O-2 Form can consist of up to 30 players and shall indicate the Captain of the Team and the Team Officials. The NFs shall generate the O-2 Form and remit a signed version to the FIVB (volleyball.teams@fivb.com).

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



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.

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 uploaded on the VIS Profile of the concerned player under the documentation tab.

For each **player**, it is mandatory to register / submit through the VIS the following:

- a. Photos as per <u>Team Registration Guideline</u>
- b. Personal data (birth date, weight and height, highest reach at spiking and blocking...)
- c. Valid passport's copy
- d. Valid personal email address and phone number
- e. Players' names pronunciation records as per Team Registration Guideline.
- f. Signed CoC Annex 1 & 2

For the Team, it is mandatory to upload through the VIS the:

g. Team photo as per Team Registration Guideline

For the **Team Officials**, it is mandatory to submit **through the VIS** the following:

- h. Photos as per Team Registration Guideline
- i. Team Officials' names pronunciation records as per Team Registration Guideline.

In case of specific questions related to the team registration process, please contact volleyball.teams@fivb.com.

STEP 2 — WEEKLY ROSTER (O-2bis FORM) (-1 DAY BEFORE EACH VNL POOL)

The O-2bis Form shall consist of 12-14 players and up to four (4) reserve players (if any) from the 30 players previously registered on O-2 Form, without changing the individual players' T-shirt numbers, and shall indicate the Team Officials going to the respective VNL Pool/Finals.

The signed O-2bis Form is to be uploaded on the respective team's SharePoint folder one (1) day before each VNL Pool and VNL Finals and prior to the Preliminary Inquiry.

	Women VNL	Men VNL
	Preliminary Inquiry	Preliminary Inquiry
Week 1	13 May 2024	20 May 2024
Week 2	27 May 2024	3 June 2024
Week 3	10 June 2024	17 June 2024
Finals	19 June 2024	26 June 2024

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



3.3. Team Delegation Members

- a. The official Team Delegation is comprised of twelve (12) to fourteen (14) players and six (6) Team Officials.
- b. The following Team Official roles must be fulfilled:
 - Team Manager,
 - Head Coach,
 - One (1) Doctor (FIVB accredited) or one (1) Physiotherapist (FIVB accredited).
- c. 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.
- d. The LOC covers the board and lodging for up to fourteen (14) players and six (6) Team Officials.
- e. Extra Team Officials (2nd Assistant Coach, Physical Trainer, Statistician, General Manager, Team Interpreter) 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 respective NF to the Organizer.

3.4. Replacement Players

At the Preliminary Inquiry, -1 day before each VNL Pool and VNL Finals, participating teams have the possibility to register in VIS fourteen (14) players on the Weekly Roster (O-2bis) and up to four (4) reserve players from the Long List (O-2).

At the Preliminary Inquiry, the Technical Delegate shall verify the reserve player(s) passport(s), Health Certificate(s) (M-3) and that the mandatory E-learning Certificates together with the Annexes to the Code of Conduct are duly confirmed in the reserve players' VIS Profiles.

During the relevant VNL Pool, the respective NF shall submit a written replacement request to the Technical Delegate and volleyball.teams@fivb.com before the publication of the Daily Bulletin related to the match in which the replacement should take place, indicating:

- 1. the reserve player(s) registered for the VNL Pool.
- 2. the player(s) to be replaced on the Weekly Roster (O-2bis).
- 3. in the event that the replacement is granted, the Technical Delegate shall proceed with the replacement(s) in the Weekly Roster (0-2bis).
- 4. the updated Weekly Roster (O-2bis) 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 Weekly Roster (O-2bis) featuring the replacement player(s) was circulated.
- 6. any player that has been replaced is allowed to be included again in the relevant Weekly Roster (0-2 bis).

The respective NF shall be responsible for making all of the necessary travel arrangements at its own cost to bring the replacement player(s) to the host city of the specific VNL Pool or Finals, coordinate all local arrangements with the LOC and bear all extra costs.

a. Teams are required to submit their travel details and confirm any additional delegation members by 16 APRIL 2024 (Women) and 23 APRIL 2024 (Men) through the Team Travel Information Form. This allows the local hosts to secure the rooms for the team.



- b. If a team brings more members than initially confirmed, the local host will make every effort to accommodate them. However, if additional rooms are unavailable, it will be the team's responsibility to find suitable lodging.
- c. If a team arrives with fewer members than confirmed, the cost of the reserved rooms will still be charged to the team.

For the avoidance of doubt, medical replacement(s) on the Weekly Roster (O-2bis) with player(s) from the Long List (O-2) is applicable upon the presentation of a medical certificate and following the same procedure as described above.

At the VNL Finals, only the 14 players registered on the Weekly Roster (O-2bis) of the last match shall be awarded with medals. Awarded teams shall receive 20 medals and the respective NFs always have the possibility to order more at their own expense.

3.5. Libero

- a. The Head Coach of a Team can change the Libero(s) between each match through the Weekly Roster (O-2bis Form). 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 12 players recorded in the score sheet, the Team must designate two (2) Liberos on its Team list.
- c. Possible Team compositions on the Weekly Roster (O-2bis Form) are the following:

Score sheet Team list	Team Composition
Fourteen (14) players	Twelve (12) regular players + two (2) Liberos
Thirteen (13) players	Eleven (11) regular players + two (2) Liberos
Twelve (12) players	Twelve (12) regular players + zero (0) Liberos
Twelve (12) players	Eleven (11) regular players + one (1) Libero
Twelve (12) players	Ten (10) regular players + two (2) Liberos

3.6. Team Officials on the Bench

- a. The Head Coach and maximum of four (4) Team Officials registered on the Weekly Roster (O-2bis Form) may be seated on the team bench.
- b. The Team Manager and the Team Journalist are not allowed to sit on the team bench.
- c. Extra Team Officials who are not seated on the team bench, shall be seated in a designated area in the Competition Hall.

3.7. Team Statisticians

- a. A dedicated access to the technical video service with two (2) camera angles 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 (USB 3.0) to the live feed will be available to Team Statisticians (one (1) cable per Team) in the allocated area behind the service line.
 - Low-latency streaming access to all Team Statisticians connected to the Internet. Teams will receive an RTMP link to access the camera.
 - Two 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 a maximum of two (2) Team Statisticians to be 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. 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 LOC and the Officials and Service Providers.

3.9. Accreditation of 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. To register, please use the electronic registration system:

https://en.volleyballworld.com/volleyball/competitions/volleyball-nations-league/competition/media-accreditation

3.10. 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.

3.11. 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 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.

UNIFORM REGULATIONS

4.1. Players

- a. The playing uniform must comply with the <u>FIVB Event Regulations Article 4.9</u>, <u>Chapter 6 and Annex A</u> (incorporating uniform standards) previously circulated, where the location of the Country and Last (Family) Name and the size of the numbers are clearly indicated.
- b. Each Team must have available three (3) sets of playing uniforms each one of a different color. The players' numbers must be the same on the O-2 and O-2bis Forms and uniforms.
- c. The playing uniforms of the Team Captain and the Libero (if different) must be presented during the Preliminary Inquiry.



- d. 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.
- e. Undergarments must not be visible under the uniform (shorts or jersey) and in any event must be of the same color as the uniform.
- f. Compression pads are approved but are required to be of the same color design as the uniform. No padding is allowed in the forearm compression pads, as it provides advantages to the players' performances. Neutral colors, black or white are acceptable. Teams using compression pads must be uniform in color/design for all players.

4.2. 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.

4.3. Team Officials

- a. The maximum 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 dress jacket, collared dress shirt, tie and formal slacks of the same color and style.

b. 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.

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

4.4. FIVB Officials and Referees

FIVB Officials and Referees must ensure to bring with them to the Event the 2023 Mizuno uniforms distributed during 2023 season.

If not received already, uniforms from official FIVB/VW Supplier will be provided to all FIVB Officials & Referees upon their arrival on Site for the 1st Pool/Phase of the Event they are assigned to. Please keep and bring this uniform with you for the next assignment.

FIVB Referee's Uniform (Referee, Reserve Referee, Challenge Referee):

- 2 x short sleeve polo
- 2 x long sleeve polo
- 1 x track top
- 2 x track pants
- 1 pair x shoes



FIVB Official's Uniform (Referee Coach, Technical Delegate, Medical Delegate):

- 2 x short sleeve polo
- 1 x long sleeve polo
- 1 x track top
- 2 x track pants
- 1 pair x shoes

ADVERTISING ON TEAM UNIFORM

5.1. Advertising on Team Uniform

- a. Advertising on uniforms shall be in accordance with the <u>FIVB Event Regulations</u>, <u>Chapter 6 and Annex A</u>; and, subject to prior FIVB approval, should avoid conflict with any FIVB/Volleyball World Commercial Affiliate category for the Event. Samples of team uniforms must be submitted not later than four (4) weeks prior to the Event:
 - the application form for authorization of advertising material (<u>Advertising on Team Uniform Form</u>) submission 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)
 submission required 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.
 - b. With reference to the <u>FIVB Financial Regulations</u>, 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 and specifically for VNL the amount will be deducted from the Team's prize money after the Event.
 - c. 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.

MEDICAL & ANTI-DOPING

6.1. Participating Teams' Medical Obligations

- a. Each Team NF / Team Delegation shall ensure its players and (where appropriate the Team Delegation) comply with the medical eligibility requirements.
- b. 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 no later than six (6) weeks before the Event.
- c. With reference to the <u>FIVB Event Regulations Chapter 17</u>, all Team NFs are obliged to take out their own third-party liability and medical insurance in respect of their Team Delegation.



d. All Team NFs 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).

6.2. Participating Teams' Anti-Doping Obligations

- a. If a player has taken any prohibited substances, he/she must request a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) at least twenty-one (21) days before the Event using the M-8 Form, except in the case of a medical emergency, and it must be granted by the FIVB, through ITA, before the Event. In the event of a medical emergency, the team and player involved may reach out to the FIVB to obtain additional information about the possibility of obtaining a retroactive TUE.
- b. Members of Team Delegations who wish to participate in the Event must acquire an Anti-Doping Certificate first, at the latest, by the deadline for the O-2bis Form. The FIVB Anti-Doping education program can be accessed at <u>FIVB E-Learning</u>.
- c. Each Team Delegation shall ensure that its players are aware of their anti-doping rights and obligations.

COMPETITION REGULATIONS

7.1. Conducting the Competition

- a. The Event is governed by the FIVB and will be conducted by the FIVB Technical Delegates.
- b. FIVB Referees appointed by the FIVB will officiate at the Event.
- c. The Event must be conducted in accordance with:
 - These Competition Regulations;
 - Official Volleyball Rules;
 - FIVB Event Regulations;
 - FIVB Sports Regulations;
 - <u>Video Challenge System Regulations & Team Tablet Regulations;</u>
 - General Regulations:
 - Disciplinary Regulations;
 - Medical and Anti-Doping Regulations;
 - FIVB framework for safeguarding players and other participants from harassment and abuse in sport.

7.2. FoP Layout & Set Up

To bring the focus on the players, capture the teams' reactions and emotions to create more content engaging the fans worldwide, VNL 2024 edition will see an adapted 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 fulfill the administrative role and duties of the 2nd Referee.

Please click on the following link to view the <u>Volleyball Field of Play Layout (VNL)</u> and <u>Volleyball Venue</u> Layout (VNL).

7.3. Sport Equipment

- a. With reference to the <u>FIVB Event Regulations Chapter 4</u>, the Event will be played with the FIVB homologated equipment only:
 - Official ball (and rubber-wheeled trolleys): Mikasa, V200W.



- Net system (net posts, post pads, net antennas, net side bands, nets and referee chairs): Senoh.
- Synthetic flooring: VNL Gerflor Taraflex.
 Sub-floor: Connor Sports Quicklock (recommended).

7.4. Pre-match Protocol

Countdown to 1st serve	TEAM & OFFICIAL	E&E / SPORT PRESENTATION	LIGHTING
-75:00	Gates Open / Fan Ingress		Walk in Houselights
-60:00	Countdown cloc	k is set to -60:00 (on se	rving clocks)
-60:00	Warmup on Competition Court - teams make their way onto the court at their own time - balls permitted	MATCH CLOCK Starts	
-45:00	Both teams required on court by this time		
-42:00	Referee mic test		
-30:30	Coin toss for service at technical table	World's Collide	Court Lights on
-27:00	Entire rosters announced for both teams, teams keep warming up	MC announces team rosters, Side V then side L	
-18:00	Referees announcement (by the technical table)	MC announce referee 1 & 2	Competition Lighting on (2000 lux) Follow Spot – on tech table for referees
-17:30	Warm-up at the net		
-10:00	START	OF INTERNATIONAL FE	D
-7:30	End of warm up - Teams go to bench		Competition lights dim
-7:00	Teams head to the serve line for starting lineup	MC ask spectator get their phones out and turn on flash light	House lights dim
-6:45	Court-lights off – Light Show Begins	Pre-match "BE PART OF THE GAME" light show & pump-up video	Competition lights out
-6:15	Teams ready in position on the serve line		
-6:00	Side V - Starting Lineup Intros/ Coach - players can celebrate however they want	MC Announce side V then starting line up	Follow Spots on Side V
-5:00	Side L – Starting Lineup Intros / Coach – players can celebrate however they want	MC Announce side L then starting line up	Follow Spots on Side L
-4:00	Teams Return to Serve Lines Side V National Anthem	MC welcomes fans to the match and asks	Low Houselights on for Anthem



		spectators to stand for Side V national anthem	
-2:30	Side L or Host team – nation anthem	MC asks spectators to remain standing for Side L or Host Team national anthem	
-1:00	Teams shake hands at the net, ONLY with the person directly in front of them. Starting lineup stays on the court, rest of team goes to bench.	MC Crowd Pump Up / Get Loud For First Serve	Competition lights on Follow Spots – on MC
-0:10	Teams in position ready to play	10 second countdown	
00:00	First serve		Match mode

7.5. VCS Regulations

Please click on the following link to view the Video Challenge System Regulations.

7.6. Team Tablet Regulations

Please click on the following link to view the Team Tablet Regulations.

7.7. Complaints

- a. All official complaints relating to a match must be presented in writing via email to the FIVB 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.
- b. 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).
- c. Complaints about the result of a match must be worded in English and accompanied by a deposit of CHF 300 cash (or the equivalent in local currency) for each such match result complaint.

7.8. Sanctions

All disciplinary matters shall be decided in accordance with the <u>FIVB Disciplinary Regulations</u> as well as all other relevant FIVB Regulations. Teams are strongly advised to review the FIVB Regulations before the VNL. The FIVB Regulations can be found at the following link: https://www.fivb.com/en/thefivb/legal.

The competence to impose sanctions for simple and major offences, except anti-doping rule violations, arising on the occasion of a competition is on the FIVB Disciplinary Panel Sub-Committee. Mrs. María José García Suárez is assigned as Disciplinary Panel Sub-Committee Member for the VNL 2024. Sanctions imposed by the Disciplinary Panel Sub-Committee are final and limited to period of the VNL 2024. The FIVB Disciplinary Panel Sub-Committee may refer cases involving potential sanctions beyond the competition to the competent FIVB body.

For purposes of disciplinary offences falling under the <u>FIVB Disciplinary Regulations</u> or these Specific Competition Regulations, the period of the VNL shall be deemed to start on the scheduled arrival date



of the teams for the first round of the Preliminary Phase until the end of the awarding ceremony at the VNL Finals 2024.

The procedure for the proceedings for the FIVB Disciplinary Panel Sub-Committee is governed by Articles 14.4 and 16 of the <u>FIVB Disciplinary Regulations</u>, 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 <u>FIVB Disciplinary Regulations</u>.

Below are relevant provisions and sanctions related to participation, uniforms, misconduct and other disciplinary matters.

Sanctions relating to non-participation/withdrawal

If a National Federation declares the non-participation of its duly qualified team or simply does not send its team to participate in the VNL 2024, it will be sanctioned in accordance with <u>FIVB Disciplinary Regulations</u> as National Federations have an obligation to participate in competitions in which they have entered a team (Article 12.4.1 of the <u>FIVB Disciplinary Regulations</u>).

Withdrawal of the team before the tournament will be sanctioned according to the <u>FIVB Disciplinary Regulations</u> (Art. 12.3) depending on the date of withdrawal. Withdrawal of teams/athletes entered in the Preliminary Phase is not allowed except in cases of "force majeure" or player injury. In such cases, a Medical Certificate or a declaration of good faith must be provided. Withdrawal during the course of the tournament or non-appearance at the beginning of the tournament by a National Team except as otherwise provided herein, the National Federation shall be punished by the following in accordance with Article 12.3.6 of the <u>FIVB Disciplinary Regulations</u>:

- a. In all cases, compulsory reimbursement to the Organizing Committee and the FIVB of the expenses made on behalf of the withdrawing delegation and team, plus damages for loss of income and other financial consequences; and
- b. Fine of up to CHF 50,000; and/or
- c. Suspension from international competitions for up to two (2) years

Sanctions relating to uniforms

Teams not respecting the color of uniforms as determined by the FIVB will be subject to a fine of a minimum of 1,000 CHF.

A failure to provide the FIVB with the required documents and sample of uniforms at the Preliminary Inquiry will be subject to a fine up to 5,000 CHF.

Sanctions relating to misconduct

All athletes shall conduct themselves in accordance with the principles and values of sportsmanship and fair play reflected in the FIVB Regulations and a failure to do so by a member of a team delegation mayl be subject to sanction in accordance with the FIVB Disciplinary Regulations.

Sanctions relating to media activities

Players failing to comply with the media obligations defined in Article 10.1 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 other violations of the FIVB Disciplinary Regulations

Sanctions may also be imposed for violations of the <u>FIVB Disciplinary Regulations</u> and other <u>FIVB Regulations</u> in accordance with the <u>FIVB Disciplinary Regulations</u>.



All sanctions mentioned above may be applied cumulatively.

7.9. Forfeit

- a. If a team is unable to produce six (6) players for a match due to a valid medical reason, the match(es) will be automatically forfeited (3–0).
- b. Forfeit of a team with more than six (6) players shall be subject to sanctions as per the FIVB Disciplinary Regulations.

7.10. Serve Clock

Please click on the following link to view the Serve Clock Manual.

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

- a. No Technical Timeouts.
- b. Two (2) 30-second Team Timeouts available per team per set.
- c. All Intervals between sets last three 3 minutes, except after the 2nd set where a 5 minute interval is applied. *
- d. Teams change sides between sets and when the leading team reaches 8 points in the tiebreak. The court side will be decided at the coin toss before the match.
- * Intervals between sets can be extended to 5 minutes based on the request of the Media Rights Holders.

7.12. 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 assistant 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.

7.13. 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.

7.14. Collection of Starting Lineup

- a. Teams are required to confirm through the Team Tablet the starting six Players + Libero and positions of each match a minimum of -25 minutes before the match start.
- b. In case of a proven valid injury during the official warm up, the starting lineup may be exceptionally changed.

7.15. Fair Play Moment

During both the VNL Preliminary Phase and Final Phase, green cards will be issued by the 1st Referee to players who admit to a block or net touch before a Challenge review is initiated, aimed at preventing unnecessary delays. At the conclusion of the event, the team accumulating the highest number of green cards will receive a prize of USD 30,000. In the event of a tie, the team with the highest ranking in the VNL Final Standing will be awarded the prize.



TRAINING & MATCH SCHEDULE

8.1. Match Schedule

Detailed Match Schedule is available on volleyballworld.com VNL Match Schedule 2024

Please consult the link regularly for any updates.

8.2. Pre-match Warm Up

- a. The two competing teams shall warm up on the competition court at least one (1) hour prior to the start of each match.
- b. When the match schedule does not allow enough time for warm up on the competition court, two (2) warm up areas shall be made available for the two competing teams at least one (1) hour prior to the start of each match.
- c. Teams shall be allowed to warm up with balls as soon as they enter the competition court.

8.3. Training Facilities

One (1) training court and one (1) fitness gym shall be made available to the participating Teams.

8.4. Training Schedule Guidelines

- a. On OFF days, each Team is guaranteed:
 - 1x 2h volleyball training session and/or fitness training session a day and
 - 1x 1h30 of familiarization on Competition court the day before the first match.
- b. On MATCH days, each Team is guaranteed:
 - 1x 1h volleyball training session.
- c. Trainings on match days for the teams playing shall be scheduled in the morning on the competition court if possible. A minimum of 5 hours of interval is given to the Team from the end of the morning training until the start of the match. Length of this training should be based on the fulfillment of above condition (5-hour interval).
- d. Earliest morning training can start at 08:00, and latest evening training can start at 21:00.
- e. All Teams shall have equal conditions and shall be granted the same training opportunities in terms of number of trainings on training court, balance of morning/evening trainings, total training time etc, based on the match schedule.
- h. If additional training is requested, it is at the discretion of the LOC to facilitate this with the prior approval of the FIVB Technical Delegate.
- i. The training times on competition days are defined according to the team matchup sequence.
- j. All training sessions for the teams must be "closed" and shall not be accessible by other participants of the event.

8.5. Training Court Equipment

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

8.6. Fitness Training Equipment

a. Squat racks w/ Olympic barbell at each rack 4x



- b. Weights to accompany squat racks (4x25kg/rack, 4x20kg/rack, 2x10kg/rack, 2x5kg/rack, 2x2.5kg/rack) 2x
- c. Barbell collars (2/rack, 2/platform) 1x
- d. Dumbbells ranging from 2.5kg/5lbs -45kg/90lbs in 2.5kg/5lb increments 1x
- e. Bench press w/ barbell 2x
- f. Adjustable benches 2x
- g. Medicine balls ranging from 3kg-10kg (in 1 kg increments) 1x
- h. Adjustable height cable/pulley system 2x
- i. Lat pulldown machine 2x
- j. Seated row machine 2x
- k. Leg press 2x
- I. Prone leg curl machine 2x
- m. Seated leg extension machine 2x
- n. Spin bike 5x
- o. Treadmills 2x
- p. Elliptical machines 2x
- q. Smith machine 2x
- r. Pull-up bar 2x
- s. Box jump 4x
- t. Floor mats 20x
- u. Swiss ball 4x
- v. Kettlebell ranging from 6kg -20 kg 1x
- w. Pvcor wood stick 1m50cm long 5x
- x. Trap bar 2x

TRAVEL, ACCOMMODATION & LOCAL SERVICES

9.1. LOC Key Information

	Week 1 (May 14th to 19th)	Week 2 (May 28th to June 2nd)	Week 3 (June 11th to 16th)
	Women - Pool 1	Women - Pool 3	Women - Pool 5
	TUR	MAC	HKG
City	Antalya	Macau	Hong Kong
Venue	Antalya Sports Hall	Galaxy International Convention Center	Hong Kong Coliseum
Address	Meltem Mah. 07030 Muratpasa Antalya	Galaxy Macau [™] Integrated Resort, Cotai, Macau	9 Cheong Wan Road, Hung Hom,
Airport	Antalya (AYT)	Macau International Airport	Hong Kong International Airport
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Women - Pool 2	Women - Pool 4	Women - Pool 6
BRA	USA	JPN



City	Rio de Janeiro	Arlington, TX	Fukuoka
Venue	Ginásio Gilberto Cardoso - Maracanãzinho	College Park Center	West Japan General Exhibition Centre
Address	Av. Maracana, Rio de Janeiro	600 S Center St, Arlington, TX 76019, United States	802-0001Kitakyushu3-8-1 Asano, Kokurakita-ku
Airport	Aeroporto Internacional do Rio de Janeiro - Galeão	Dallas/Fort Worth (DFW)	Fukuoka Airport
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	Week 1 (May 21st to 26th)	Week 2 (June 4th to 9th)	Week 3 (June 18th to 23rd)
	Men – Pool 1	Men - Pool 3	Men – Pool 5
	TUR	JPN	SLO
City	Antalya	Fukuoka	Ljublijana
Venue	Antalya Sports Hall	West Japan General Exhibition Centre	Sport Hall Stožice
Address	Meltem Mah. 07030 Muratpasa Antalya	802-0001Kitakyushu3-8-1 Asano, Kokurakita-ku	Vojkova Cesta 100
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	Men - Pool 2	Men – Pool 4	Men - Pool 6
	BRA	CAN	PHI
City	Rio de Janeiro	Ottawa	Manila
Venue	Ginásio Gilberto Cardoso - Maracanãzinho	TD Place	Mall of Asia Arena
Address	Av. Maracana, Rio de Janeiro	1015 Bank St., Ottawa, ON, K1S 3W7	Mall of Asia Complex, J.W. Diokno Blvd, Pasay, 1300 Metro Manila
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	June 20th to 23rd	June 27th to 30th
	Women – Finals	Men – Finals
	THA	POL
City	Bangkok	Łódź
Venue	Indoor Stadium Huamark	Atlas Arena
Address	286 Ramkhamhaeng Rd., Bangkok, Bangkok 10240	Aleja Ksiedza Biskupa Władysława Bandurskiego 7, 94-020 Łodz, Łodzkie
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9.2. Team Delegation Information

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

- Earlier arrival and later departure.
- Exact number of Team Delegation members.
- Rooming list.
- Training needs during off days/weeks.

And each participating NF shall submit to the FIVB Volleyball department at volleyball.teams@fivb.com:

- National Team Contact List Form 16 FEBRUARY 2024
- Team Travel Information Form 16 APRIL 2024 (Women) & 23 APRIL 2024 (Men)

9.3. Local Transportation

The LOC shall provide dedicated bus 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 case of medical emergency
- f. Any of the above transportation must provide water in the vehicles.

9.4. Accommodation



- a. The LOC shall arrange for and bear all of the living and accommodation costs for all the Team Delegations from 2 days prior to the start of the VNL Pool (Sunday) to 1 day after the end of the VNL Pool (Monday).
- b. The LOC shall arrange for and bear all of the living and accommodation costs for all the Team Delegations from 2 days prior to the start of the VNL Finals (Monday) to 1 day after the Team is eliminated. Teams eliminated at quarterfinals can decide to stay longer but must cover their own living and accommodation costs for any extra nights.
- c. 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.
- d. Players to be accommodated in double occupancy rooms with twin beds (2 separate beds). All other rooms are single occupancy.

9.5. Catering

- a. Team Delegations catering shall include three (3) buffet style meals and one snack for each Team Delegation member per day.
- b. Catering will be provided in the hotel and in the venue based on the schedule of each Team Delegation.

9.6. Local Services

- a. Hotel laundry service within 24 hours.
- b. Event will need daily access to a laundry (wash and fold) service for each Team Delegation and FIVB/VW Officials, Staff and Representatives as follows:
 - For each Team Delegation per day/per person including Players and Team Staff: 6 sports equipment/items on training and match days.
 - FIVB/VW Officials, Staff and Representatives: 4 items per day/per person
- c. Any personal laundry can be included but will be paid for by individual.
- d. Minimum 30kg of ice per day/per Team available.
- e. Large amount of water (Ganten) will be available both at hotel and venue.

9.7. Rate Card

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

9.8. Entry Visas

- a. Upon request, the LOC shall supply an official invitation letter and extended entry visa assistance to the requesting participant.
- b. The arrangement of the physical visa required for a participant is his/her full responsibility and so as any costs associated to the passport or entry visa administration process.

9.9. Playbook

A playbook with all necessary local information will be sent by the LOC to all participating Teams, Officials and Service Providers two (2) weeks prior to the respective VNL Pool and VNL Finals. The following information will be provided:

- a. Pool Composition & Match Schedule
- b. LOC 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
- I. Team Video Ārea
- 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. Event Schedule for Officials and Service Providers

TEAMS PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES OBLIGATIONS

10.1. Mixed Zone, Flash Interviews, Media Conferences

- a. All players departing the FoP must exit through the Mixed Zone, allowing brief interactions with the media.
- b. Team Delegations shall be notified in due time regarding selected or all member mandatory attendance at Media Conferences or any official Event Media Activities, including schedule and required attire.
- c. 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.

10.2. Teams Photoshoot

a. Each Team Delegation shall be available for a photoshoot organized by the FIVB and VW before the start of the Event. The FIVB and VW will inform the Teams beforehand on the time and date through the Event Schedule in the Playbook.

EVENT SCHEDULE

11.1. Event Schedule

-4 days	Arrival of the FIVB Technical Delegate
-2 days	Arrival of the participating Teams
-1 day	Preliminary Inquiry
+1 day	Departure

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



PRELIMINARY INQUIRY

Preliminary Inquiry shall take place the day before the start of the VNL Pool and VNL Finals at the Team's hotel or competition venue. Location date and time shall be confirmed in the Event Schedule.

12.1. Compulsory Attendance

FIVB

Technical Delegate

TEAMS

- Team Manager
- Doctor and / or Physiotherapist

LOC

- LOC representative (local team services)

12.2. Team Requirements

- a. Signed O-2bis Form to be uploaded on the respective team's SharePoint folder
- b. Passports of all athletes
- c. Health certificate of each athlete (M-3 Form)
- d. Doctor's and/or Physiotherapist's FIVB ID-cards
- e. Team Journalist's accreditation
- f. Samples of Captain's, Libero's uniforms (if different) (3 colors) and team officials uniforms Only for VNL Week 1
- g. Any "injury prevention devices" that the athletes will be using
- h. Advertising on Team Uniform Approval Certificate Only for VNL Week 1
- i. Annexes 1 and 2 signed by all players to be uploaded on the respective player's VIS Profile.

12.3. Organizing Requirements

- a. Meeting area for 10 people at teams' hotel or competition venue
- b. Ruler
- c. Printer / Photocopier

12.4. Daily Bulletin

1st Daily Bulletin — Distributed after the Preliminary Inquiries

- a. Official communication (if any)
- b. Weekly 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)

PRIZE MONEY

Teams' prize money per team per match to be paid to the NFs participating in the Preliminary Phase as follows:

Winning team	\$9'500
Losing team	\$4'250
TOTAL per match	\$13'750

Total prize money of USD 2.300.000 to be paid to the NFs participating in the Final Phase per gender as follows:

1st PLACE	\$1'000'000
2nd PLACE	\$500'000
3rd PLACE	\$300'000
4th PLACE	\$180'000
5th PLACE	\$130'000
6th PLACE	\$85'000
7th PLACE	\$65'000
8th PLACE	\$40'000
TOTAL	\$2'300'000

Total prize money of USD 100.000 to be paid to the winners of the individual awards in the Final Phase per gender as follows:

MVP PLAYER	\$30'000
BEST SETTER	\$10'000
BEST OPPOSITE	\$10'000
BEST OUTSIDE HITTER	\$10'000
BEST OUTSIDE HITTER	\$10'000



BEST MIDDLE BLOCKER	\$10'000
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BEST LIBERO	\$10'000
TOTAL	\$100'000

Fair Play Moment prize money of USD 30.000 to be paid to the NF with the most green cards in the Preliminary Phase and Final Phase per gender as follows:

FAIR PLAY MOMENT	\$30'000
TOTAL	\$30'000