



GAMES OF THE XXXII OLYMPIAD – TOKYO 2020

COVID-19 SPORT SPECIFIC REGULATIONS

Beach Volleyball

This document describes the Sport Specific Regulations (SSR) outlining how a confirmed positive COVID-19 case or a close contact is managed within the Beach Volleyball competitions on the occasion of the Games of the XXXII Olympiad Tokyo 2020.

The following documents are in force and contain elements related to the SSR:

- FIVB Rules of the Game - Official Beach Volleyball Rules ([LINK](#))
- Tokyo 2020 Playbooks (Athletes & NOCs, IFs, Workforce and Olympic Family) ([LINK](#))
- Late Athlete Replacement
- Qualification System

The content of this document has been confirmed by the FIVB on 30.06.2021 and will continue to be reviewed in operational readiness exercises between the IOC, Tokyo 2020 and stakeholders throughout June. It therefore remains subject to change and stakeholders will be notified when it is finalized.

A. SPORTS REQUIREMENTS

Tournament size

Both the men's and the women's tournaments contain twenty-four (24) teams each.

Official team size

At the Olympic Games, each qualified team is entitled to 2 athletes (Aa) and each NOC is entitled to maximum two (2) teams per gender.

Minimum team size

A team is composed exclusively of two (2) athletes. Only the two (2) athletes recorded on the score sheet have the right to participate in the match.

Team Officials and Additional Team Officials (Ao, Ac and ATO),

N/A

Technical Delegate and Technical Officials (J and NTOs)

The following officials are required in order for the events to go ahead: two (2) Referees (First and Second), two (2) Challenge Referees, four (4) Line judges, one (1) Scorer and one (1) assistant scorer, one (1) Jury.

B. COMPETITION PROGRESSION

All sport competition events should start and end as defined by the official Tokyo 2020 competition schedule, to ensure effective running of competition and operations, and that broadcast schedules are unaffected.



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The Competition Schedule Change Committee (CSCC) will be activated to take any decision regarding the postponement and cancellation of a match.

There is the preliminary phase with six (6) pools of four (4) teams as well as a lucky loser round. Sixteen (16) teams progress from the preliminary phase to the elimination phase

The elimination phase is played in single elimination format bracket and is consisted of a round of 16, quarterfinals, semi-finals, and bronze and gold medal matches.

If a team is unable to produce two (2) athletes for a match due to sanction (expulsion, disqualification, etc.) or medical reason or force majeure, the team is declared INCOMPLETE. A team that is declared INCOMPLETE for the set or for the match, loses the set or the match. The opponent team is given the points, or the points and the sets, needed to win the set or the match. The INCOMPLETE team keeps its points and sets.

If a team is declared INCOMPLETE due to the Covid-19 reason that leads to quarantine/isolation, before a match begins, it will lose the match and the losing team will be awarded one (1) match point with sets of 0:2 and rally points of 0:21, 0:21, and the match concerned will be marked as DNS (do not start). The winning team will receive two (2) match points with sets of 2:0 and rally points of 0:0, 0:0.

Preliminary Phase

During the Preliminary phase of pool play, if a team is declared INCOMPLETE due to the Covid-19 reason that leads to quarantine/isolation, it will lose the match(es) concerned and the losing team will be awarded one (1) match point with sets of 0:2 and rally points of 0:21, 0:21. The winning team will receive two (2) match points with sets of 2:0 and rally points of 0:0, 0:0. The match concerned will be marked as DNS (do not start).

If two (2) or more teams from the same pool or eventually multiple teams from different pools, are declared INCOMPLETE due to the Covid-19 reason that leads to quarantine/isolation, a contingency plan will be developed by the FIVB, IOC and CSCC, to define the teams advancing to the elimination phase.

If a team, who qualifies from the preliminary phase to the elimination phase, is declared INCOMPLETE due to the Covid-19 reason that leads to quarantine/isolation, after its last match in the pool is completed and before the commencement of the first match to be played in the elimination phase, the team will be replaced in the draw bracket directly by the higher placed team of the Lucky loser match losers (first by match points, then by set ratio of all pool matches played followed by rally point ratio and lastly by tournament seeding established at the general technical meeting) whenever possible (i.e. such team is still available and not yet depart from Tokyo).

If two (2) teams, who qualify from the preliminary phase to the elimination phase, are declared INCOMPLETE due to the Covid-19 reason that leads to quarantine/isolation, after their last matches in the pool is completed and before the commencement of their first match to be played in the elimination phase, the two (2) teams will be replaced in the draw bracket directly by the two (2) Lucky loser match losers, whenever possible (i.e. both teams are still available and not yet depart from Tokyo).

If more than two (2) teams, who qualify from the preliminary phase to the elimination phase, are declared INCOMPLETE due to the Covid-19 reason that leads to quarantine/isolation, after their last matches in the pool is completed and before the commencement of their first match to be played in the elimination phase, a contingency plan will be verified by the FIVB, IOC and CSCC, to pick up the next best ranked teams from the six (6) losers in the pools (first by match points, then by set ratio of all pool matches played followed by rally point ratio and lastly by tournament seeding established at the general technical meeting), whenever possible (i.e. such teams are still available and not yet depart from Tokyo).



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The seeding of the draw bracket of the elimination phase will be adjusted accordingly based on the above selecting criteria.

For the team(s) concerned that due to the Covid-19 reason that leads to quarantine/isolation, their ranking will be established based on the most recent matches completed, and accordingly the ranking will be awarded until the last DNS match.

Elimination Phase

Round of 16

If a team is declared INCOMPLETE due to the Covid-19 reason that leads to quarantine/isolation, after the round of 16, the opponent team will move the next round of quarter-finals.

If such opponent team is declared INCOMPLETE due to the Covid-19 reason that leads to quarantine/isolation, the best placed loser of the round of 16 will be picked up (first by set ratio, followed by rally point ratio of the match played in round of 16, and lastly by tournament seeding established at the general technical meeting), whenever possible (i.e. such team is still available and not yet depart from Tokyo).

Quarterfinals

If a team is declared INCOMPLETE due to the Covid-19 reason that leads to quarantine/isolation, after the quarter-finals, the opponent team will move the next round of semi-finals.

If such opponent team is declared INCOMPLETE due to the Covid-19 reason that leads to quarantine/isolation, the best placed loser of the quarterfinals will be picked up (first by set ratio, followed by rally point ratio of the match played in quarterfinals, and lastly by tournament seeding established at the general technical meeting), whenever possible (i.e., such team is still available and not yet depart from Tokyo).

For the team(s) concerned that due to the Covid-19 reason that leads to quarantine/isolation, their ranking will be established based on the most recent matches completed, and accordingly the ranking will be awarded until the last DNS match.

Semi-Finals and Medal Finals

In case a team or multiply teams declared INCOMPLETE due to the Covid-19 reason that leads to quarantine/isolation, the following principles will be implemented:

- If a team playing the gold medal match, is declared INCOMPLETE due to the Covid-19 reason that leads to quarantine/isolation, the losing team of the corresponding semi-final match will be picked up (whenever possible and still available in Tokyo) to play the gold medal match. The winner will be awarded the gold medal, the loser of gold medal match, together with the DNS team concerned will be awarded the silver medals. In such case, no bronze medal match will be played and the team in such match will be awarded bronze medal.
- If a team playing the bronze medal match, is declared INCOMPLETE due to the Covid-19 reason that leads to quarantine/isolation, the losing team of the corresponding quarter-final match will be picked up (whenever possible and still available in Tokyo) to play the bronze medal match. The winner will be awarded the bronze medal, the loser of bronze medal match, together with the DNS team concerned will be awarded the 4th rank.
- If both teams playing the gold medal match, are declared INCOMPLETE due to the Covid-19 reason that leads to quarantine/isolation, the two (2) losing teams of the semi-finals will be picked up (whenever possible and still available in Tokyo) to play the gold medal match. The winner will be awarded the gold medal, the loser of gold medal match, together with the two (2) DNS teams concerned will be awarded the silver medals. In such case, no bronze medal will be played.
- If both teams playing the bronze medal match, are declared INCOMPLETE due to the Covid-19 reason that leads to quarantine/isolation, the two (2) losing teams of the corresponding quarterfinals will be



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picked up (whenever possible and still available in Tokyo) to play the bronze medal match. The winner will be awarded the bronze medal, the loser of bronze medal match, together with the two (2) DNS teams concerned will be awarded the 4th rank.

- If a team playing in the gold medal match plus two (2) teams playing in the bronze medal match, are declared INCOMPLETE due to the Covid-19 reason that leads to quarantine/isolation, both gold medal and bronze medal matches will be marked as DNS (do not start). In such case, the team not affected by Covid-19 reason in the gold medal match will be awarded the gold medal, the DNS team concerned in the gold medal match will be awarded silver medal, while the two (2) DNS teams concerned in the bronze medal match will be awarded bronze medals.
- If two (2) teams playing in the gold medal match plus two (2) teams playing the bronze medal match, are declared INCOMPLETE due to the Covid-19 reason that leads to quarantine/isolation, both gold medal and bronze medal matches will be marked as DNS (do not start). In such case, the two (2) DNS teams concerned in the gold medal match will be awarded gold medals, the two (2) DNS concerned in the bronze medal match will be awarded bronze medals.

For any eventual complex scenario, a contingency plan will be developed by the FIVB, IOC and CSCC and implemented accordingly per their joint decision.

C. DECISION MAKING AND COMMUNICATION

In the case of an athlete is confirmed of Covid-19 positive or its close contact that leads to quarantine/isolation, the following procedure will be implemented to decide on the decisions impacting competition format/structure, respecting the regulations and contingency plan in place:

Designated IF Personnel (decision-making group):

- IOC representative
- FIVB representative
- Competition Schedule Change Committee (CSCC) representative
- IF Technical Delegates
- IF Control Committee members (if necessary)
- IF Medical Delegate (if necessary)

Timelines

The decision-making group should gather within 30 minutes of a person being notified by their Covid-19 Liaison Officer.