



**FACT SHEET –\$800,000 FIVB Moscow Grand Slam
Moscow, Russia, May 25-31, 2015**

- Updated on **May 24, 2015**, this fact sheet provides information on the Fédération Internationale de Volleyball and the 2015 FIVB Beach Volleyball calendar. The 2015 FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour schedule features five FIVB Grand Slams, four FIVB Major Series, the FIVB Beach Volleyball World Championships, the FIVB World Tour Season Final, and nine Open events. The schedule starts in April in China and concludes in December in South Africa. 2015 marks the 29th anniversary of the first FIVB Beach Volleyball event held February 17-22, 1987 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
- The double-gender US\$800,000 FIVB Moscow Grand Slam is the first of five Grand Slam events on the 2015 FIVB Beach Volleyball calendar. The FIVB returns to Russia for the 11th-straight year with Moscow hosting the first men’s event in 1998 and St. Petersburg hosting the first double-gender event in 2005. For more information regarding the FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour, please visit fivb.org.
- May 25-31, FIVB Moscow Grand Slam, Men and Women, \$800,000 – Moscow is hosting an FIVB Beach Volleyball event for the tenth time, including two men’s only events in 1998 and 1999 and double-gender Grand Slam events every season since 2008. Russia has hosted 28 previous FIVB World Tour events including 15 men’s and 13 women’s tournaments. St. Petersburg also hosted the Goodwill Games in 1994. Host country Russia has won nine previous medals on its country’s soil, including five men’s medals (2 gold, 2 silver, 1 bronze) and four women’s medals (1 gold, 1 silver, 2 bronze).
- The FIVB Moscow Grand Slam starts May 25 and concludes May 31. The winning teams in each gender will share the \$57,000 first-place prize. Here is the tentative schedule:
 - Monday, May 25 Men’s and Women’s Country Quota Matches (if necessary)
 - Tuesday, May 26 Men’s and Women’s Qualification Matches
 - Wednesday, May 27 Men’s and Women’s Main Draw Pool Play Matches
 - Thursday, May 28 Men’s and Women’s Main Draw Pool Play Matches
 - Friday, May 29 Men’s and Women’s Elimination Matches
 - Saturday, May 30 Men’s and Women’s Quarterfinal and Semi-Final Matches
 - Sunday, May 31 Men’s and Women’s Medal Matches
- A total of 138 teams from 39 countries (71 men’s teams from 34 countries and 67 women’s teams from 31 countries) have entered the FIVB Moscow Grand Slam (as of May 24, 2015), including **Argentina** (1 men’s team ,1 women’s team), **Australia** (1,2), **Austria** (4,2), **Azerbaijan** (2,2), **Belarus** (1,2), **Brazil** (6,6) **Canada** (3,5), **Chile** (1,0), **China** (0,2), **Croatia** (1,1), **Czech Republic** (2,4), **Egypt** (1,0), **Estonia** (1,0), **Finland** (0,1), **France** (1,0), **Germany** (4,5), **Greece** (1,1), **Iran** (2,0), **Israel** (1,0), **Italy** (3,1), **Japan** (1,1), **Kazakhstan** (2,1), **Latvia** (3,1), **Lithuania** (1,1), **Mexico** (1,1), **Netherlands** (2,1), **Norway** (1,0), **Poland** (4,1), **Russia** (6,5), **Slovak Republic** (0,2), **South Africa** (1,1), **Spain** (2,2), **Sweden** (0,1), **Switzerland** (2,3), **Thailand** (0,3), **Turkey** (1,1), **Ukraine** (2,0), **United States** (5,6), and **Venezuela** (1,1).
- The FIVB Lucerne Open will be the 317th men’s and the 281st women’s event on the FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour (open, grand slam, Olympic and Goodwill). The first men’s FIVB World Tour event was played February 17-22, 1987 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil and the first women’s event was played August 14-16, 1992 at Almeria, Spain.

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The Moscow Grand Slam will be the first double-gender FIVB Grand Slam event of the 2015 FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour calendar. The following week, the SWATCH FIVB Major Series kicks off with double-gender events in Porec, Croatia from June 2-7 and Stavanger, Norway from June 9-14. The World Tour moves to the United States for the second double-gender Grand Slam in St. Petersburg from June 17-21. The following week, the US\$1 Million FIVB Beach Volleyball World Championships takes place in four cities in The Netherlands, centered in The Hague from June 26-July 5.

Past Russian Men's Medals – Brazil 15, Germany 6, USA 6, Russia 5, Switzerland 3, China 2, Latvia 2, Netherlands 2, Argentina 1, Norway 1, Poland 1, Portugal 1

	Site	Year	Gold Medal	Silver Medal	Bronze Medal
1.	St. Petersburg	1994*	Jan Kvalheim/Bjorn Maaseide, NOR	Carlos Briceno/Jeff Williams, USA	Bruk Vandeweghe/Sinjin Smith, USA
2.	Moscow	1998	Para Ferreira/Guilherme Marques, BRA	Martin Conde/Eduardo Martinez, ARG	Jorg Ahmann/Axel Hager, GER
3.	Moscow	1999	Joao Brenha/Miguel Maia, POR	Ze Marco de Melo/Ricardo Santos, BRA	Jose Loiola/Emanuel Rego, BRA
4.	St. Petersburg	2005	Emanuel Rego/Ricardo Santos, BRA	Marcio Araujo/Fabio Magelhaes, BRA	Franco Neto/Tande Ramos, BRA
5.	St. Petersburg	2006	Marcio Araujo/Fabio, BRA	Julius Brink/Christoph Dieckmann, GER	Jochem De Gruijter/Gijs Ronnes, NED
6.	St. Petersburg	2007	Harley Marques/Pedro Salgado, BRA	Dmitri Barsouk/Igor Kolodinsky, RUS	Marcio Araujo/Fabio, BRA
7.	Moscow	2008	Phil Dalhausser/Todd Rogers, USA	Penggen Wu/Linyin Xu, CHN	David Klemperer/Eric Koreng, GER
8.	Moscow	2009	Brink/Jonas Reckermann, GER	Emanuel/Ricardo, BRA	Jefferson Bellaguarda/Martin Laciga, SUI
9.	Moscow	2010	Wu/Xu, CHN	Dalhausser/Rogers, USA	Brink/Reckermann, GER
10.	Moscow	2011	Alison Cerutti/Emanuel, BRA	Bellaguarda/Patrick Heuscher, SUI	Dalhausser/Rogers, USA
11.	Moscow	2012	Alison/Emanuel, BRA	Reinder Nummerdor/Richard Schuil, NED	Pedro Cunha/Ricardo, BRA
12.	Anapa	2013	Yaroslav Koshkarev/Konstantin Semenov, RUS	Lars Fluggen/Alexander Walkenhorst, GER	Viacheslav Krasilnikov/Alexey Pastukhov, RUS
13.	Moscow	2013	Aleksandrs Samoilovs/Janis Smedins, LAT	Evandro Goncalves/Emanuel, BRA	Alvaro Filho/Ricardo, BRA
14.	Anapa	2014	Martins Plavins/Aleksandrs Solovejs, LAT	Krasilnikov/Semenov, RUS	Philip Gabathuler/Mirco Gerson, SUI
15.	Moscow	2014	Krasilnikov/Semenov, RUS	Grzegorz Fijalek/Mariusz Prudel, POL	Dalhausser/Sean Rosenthal, USA

*Goodwill Games

Past German Women's Medals - Brazil 9, USA 7, China 4, Russia 4, Germany 3, Australia 1, Cuba 1, Italy 1, Japan 1, Netherlands 1, Spain 1

	Site	Year	Gold Medal	Silver Medal	Bronze Medal
1.	St. Petersburg	1994*	Karolyn Kirby/Liz Masakayan, USA	Monica Rodrigues/Adriana Samuel, BRA	Barbra Fontana/Lori Kotas, USA
2.	St. Petersburg	2005	Juliana Felisberta Silva/Larissa Franca, BRA	Renata Riberio/Talita Antunes, BRA	Leila Barros/Ana Paula Connelly, BRA
3.	St. Petersburg	2006	Juliana/Larissa, BRA	Chen Xue/Xi Zhang, CHN	Adriana Behar/Shelda Bede, BRA
4.	St. Petersburg	2007	Juliana/Larissa, BRA	Jen Kessy/April Ross, USA	Nicole Branagh/Elaine Youngs, USA
5.	Moscow	2008	Xue/Zhang, CHN	Branagh/Youngs, USA	Jia Tian/Jie Wang, CHN
6.	Moscow	2009	Juliana/Larissa, BRA	Vanilda Leao/Renata Ribeiro, BRA	Sara Goller/Laura Ludwig, GER
7.	Moscow	2010	Xue/Zhang, CHN	Kessy/A. Ross, USA	Juliana/Larissa, BRA
8.	Moscow	2011	Misty May-Treanor/Kerri Walsh Jennings, USA	Juliana/Larissa, BRA	Xue/Zhang, CHN
9.	Moscow	2012	Xue/Zhang, CHN	May-Treanor/Walsh Jennings, USA	Juliana/Larissa, BRA
10.	Anapa	2013	Ekaterina Khomyakova/Evgenia Ukolova, RUS	Teresa Mersman/Isabel Schneider, GER	Svetlana Popova/Maria Prokopeva, RUS
11.	Moscow	2013	Carolina Salgado/Maria Clara Salgado, BRA	Laura Ludwig/Kira Walkenhorst, GER	Elsa Baquerizo/Liliana Fernandez, ESP
12.	Anapa	2014	Victoria Bieneck/Julia Grossner, GER	Alexandra Shiryayeva/Ekaterina Syrtseva, RUS	Prokopeva/Ukolova, RUS
13.	Moscow	2014	A. Ross/Walsh Jennings, USA	Talita Antunes/Taiana Lima, BRA	Madelein Meppelink/Marleen Van Iersel, NED

* Goodwill Games

FIVB Beach Volleyball Major Championships

Men	Olympic Champions	Women
Karch Kiraly/Kent Steffes, United States	Atlanta 1996	Sandra Pires/Jackie Silva, Brazil
Dain Blanton/Eric Fonoimoana, United States	Sydney 2000	Natalie Cook/Kerri Pottharst, Australia
Emanuel/Ricardo Santos, Brazil	Athens 2004	Misty May-Treanor/Kerri Walsh, United States
Phil Dalhausser/Todd Rogers, United States	Beijing 2008	May-Treanor/Walsh, United States
Julius Brink/Jonas Reckermann, Germany	London 2012	May-Treanor/Walsh, United States
Copacabana	Rio 2016	www.rio2016.org.br

Boys	Youth Olympic Champions	Girls
Oleg Stoyanovskiy/Artem Yarzutkin, Russia	Nanjing 2014	Eduarda Lisboa/Ana Patricia Silva, Brazil

Men	FIVB Beach Volleyball World Champions	Women
Para Ferreira/Guilherme Marquez, Brazil	Los Angeles 1997	Sandra Pires/Jackie Silva, Brazil
Emanuel Rego/Jose Lioiolo, Brazil	Marseille 1999	Adriana Behar/Shelda Bede, Brazil
Mariano Baracetti/Martin Conde, Argentina	Klagenfurt 2001	Adriana/Shelda, Brazil
Emanuel/Ricardo Santos, Brazil	Rio de Janeiro 2003	Misty May-Treanor/Kerri Walsh, United States
Marcio Araujo/Fabio Magalhaes, Brazil	Berlin 2005	May-Treanor/Walsh, United States
Phil Dalhausser/Todd Rogers, United States	Gstaad 2007	May-Treanor/Walsh, United States
Julius Brink/Jonas Reckermann, Germany	Stavanger 2009	Jen Kessy/April Ross, United States
Alison Cerutti/Emanuel, Brazil	Rome 2011	Juliana Felisberta Silva/Larissa Franca, Brazil
Alexander Brouwer/Robert Meeuwse, NED	Stare Jablonki 2013	Chen Xue/Xi Zhang, China
June 26-July 5	Netherlands 2015	The Hague, Amsterdam, Apeldoorn, Rotterdam, Netherlands

Men	FIVB Beach Volleyball U- 23 World Champions	Women
Piotr Kantor/Bartosz Losiak, Poland	Poland 2013	Victoria Bieneck/Isabell Schneider, Germany
Maciej Kosiak/Maciej Rudol, Poland	Poland 2014	Mariafe Artacho/Nicole Laird, Australia

Men	FIVB Beach Volleyball U- 21 World Champions	Women
Pedro Cunha/Anselmo Sigoli, Brazil	France 2001	Shaylyn Bede/Maria Clara Salgado, Brazil
Pablo Herrera/Raul Mesa, Spain	Italy 2002	Juliana Felisberta Silva/Taiana Lima, Brazil
Cunha/Pedro Salgado, Brazil	France 2003	Anna Morozova/Alexandra Shiryayeva, Russia
Miguel Angel Amo/Inocencio Lario, Spain	Portugal 2004	Taiana/Carolina Salgado, Brazil
Martins Plavins/Aleksandrs Samoilovs, Latvia	Brazil 2005	Carolina/Camillinha Saldanha, Brazil
Bruno Oscar Schmidt/Salgado, Brazil	Poland 2006	Carolina Aragao/Barbara Figueiredo Seixas, Brazil
Francesco Giontella/Paolo Nicolai, Italy	Italy 2007	Liliane Maestrini/Seixas Figueiredo, Brazil
Giontella/Nicolai, Italy	Great Britain 2008	Marleen Van Iersel/Daniëlle Remmers, Netherlands
Michal Kadziola/Jakub Szalankiewicz, Poland	Great Britain 2009	Monika Brzostek/Kinga Kolosinka, Poland
Garrett May/Sam Schachter, Canada	Alanya 2010	Tara Roenicke/Summer Ross, United States
Sergiy Popov/Valeriy Samoday, Ukraine	Canada 2011	Nina Betshart/Joana Heidrich, Switzerland
Piotr Kantor/Bartosz Losiak, Poland	Canada 2012	Nina Betschart/Anouk Verge-Depre, Switzerland
Gustavo Carvalhaes/Allison Cittadin, Brazil	Croatia 2013	Jagoda Gruszczynska/Katarzyna Kociolek, Poland
Michal Bryl/Kacper Kujawiak, Poland	Cyprus 2014	Sophie Bukovec/Tiadora Miric, Canada

Boys	FIVB Beach Volleyball U-19 World Champions	Girls
Ian Borges/Pedro Salgado, Brazil	Greece 2002*	Sanne Keizer/Arjanne Stevens, Netherlands
Sebastian Fuchs/Thomas Kaczmarek, Germany	Thailand 2003*	Jana Kohler/Laura Ludwig, Germany
Arunas Kirsny/Arydas Miseikis, Lithuania	Italy 2004*	Katarzyna Urban/Joanna Wiatr, Poland
Tine Urnaut/Nejc Zemljak, Slovenia	France 2005	Barbra Figueiredo Seixas /Carolina Aragao, Brazil
Jonathan Erdmann/Marvin Klass, Germany	Bermuda 2006	Becchara Palmer/Alice Rohkamper, Australia
Michal Kadziola/Jakub Szalankiewicz, Poland	Poland 2007	Danielle Remmers/Michelle Stiekema, Netherlands
Kristo Kollo/Oliver Venno, Estonia	Netherlands 2008	Chantal Laboureur/Levke Springer, Germany
Sergiy Popov/Valeriy Samoday, Ukraine	Turkey 2009	Christine Aulenbrock/Victoria Bieneck, Germany
Piotr Kantor/Bartosz Losiak, Poland	Portugal 2010	Jane Croson/Summer Ross, United States
Lukasz Kaczmarek/Maciej Kosiak, Poland	Croatia 2011	Karolina Baran/Katarzyna Kociolek, Poland
Michal Bryl/Kacper Kujawiak, Poland	Cyprus 2012	Ieva Dumbaускаite/Monika Povilaityte, Lithuania
Moritz Reichert/Clemens Walker, Germany	Portugal 2013	Eduarda Lisboa/Taina Silva, Brazil
Arthur Mariano/George Wanderley, Brazil	Portugal 2014	Andressa Cavalcanti/Eduarda Lisboa, Brazil

Boys	FIVB Beach Volleyball Youth U-17 World Champions	Girls
Florian Breer/Yves Haussener, Switzerland	Mexico 2014	Morgan Martin/Kathryn Plummer, United States

*For players under the age of 18 through 2004

2015 FIVB Moscow Grand Slam

Men's Entries (as of May 24, 2015)

Main Draw Entries, Country

Clemens Doppler/Alexander Horst, Austria
Aliaksandr Dziadkou/Aliaksandr Kavalenka, Belarus
Alison Cerutti/Bruno Oscar Schmidt, Brazil
Evandro Goncalves/Pedro Salgado, Brazil
Emanuel Rego/Ricardo Santos, Brazil
Josh Binstock/Sam Schachter, Canada
Ben Saxton/Chaim Schalk, Canada
Youssef Krou/Edouard Rowlandson, France
Jonathan Erdmann/Kay Matysik, Germany
Alexander Walkenhorst/Stefan Windscheif, Germany
Daniele Lupo/Paolo Nicolai, Italy
Alexandr Dyachenko/Alexey Sidorenko, Kazakhstan
Aleksandrs Samoilovs/Janis Smedins, Latvia
Alexander Brouwer/Robert Meeuwssen, Netherlands
Grzegorz Fijalek/Mariusz Prudel, Poland
Michal Kadziola/Jakub Szalankiewicz, Poland
Dmitri Barsouk/Nikita Liamin, Russia
Viacheslav Krasilnikov/Konstantin Semenov, Russia
Oleg Stoyanovskiy/Artem Yarzutkin, Russia
Adrian Gavira/Pablo Herrera, Spain
Philip Gabathuler/Mirco Gerson, Switzerland
Tri Bourne/John Hyden, United States
Phil Dalhausser/Sean Rosenthal, United States
Jake Gibb/Casey Patterson, United States

Qualification Tournament Entries, Country

Julian Azaad/Pablo Bianchi, Argentina
Isaac Kapa/Christopher McHugh, Australia
Christoph Dressler/Thomas Kunert, Austria
Julian Horl/Daniel Hupfer, Austria
Michael Murauer/Florian Schnetzer, Austria
Grant O'Gorman/Sam Pedlow, Canada
Esteban Grimalt/Marco Grimalt, Chile
Usama Eltranisy/Ayman Shoukry, Egypt
Kristo Kollo/Rivo Vesik, Estonia
Markus Bockermann/Lars Fluggen, Germany
Sebastian Fuchs/Thomas Kaczmarek, Germany
Georgios Kotsilianos/Nikos Zoupanis, Greece
Sean Faiga/Ariel Hilman, Israel
Adrian Carambula/Alex Ranghieri, Italy
Matteo Ingrosso/Paolo Ingrosso, Italy
Alexey Kuleshov/Dmitriy Yakovlev, Kazakhstan
Lombardo Ontiveros/Juan Virgen, Mexico
Steven van de Velde/Michiel van Dorsten, Netherlands
Geir Eithun/Iver Horrem, Norway
Piotr Kantor/Bartosz Losiak, Poland
Maciej Kosiak/Maciej Rudol, Poland
Yury Bogatov/Maksim Hudyakov, Russia
Ilya Leshukov/Aleksander Margiev, Russia
Alexander Likholetov/Serguey Prokopyev, Russia
Grant Goldschmidt/Leo Williams, South Africa
Christian Garcia/Francisco Alfredo Marco, Spain
Jonas Kissling/Mats Kovatsch, Switzerland
Murat Giginoglu/Volkan Gogtepe, Turkey
Jackson Henriquez/Jesus Villafane, Venezuela

Country Quota, Country

Marcio Araujo/Saymon Barbosa, Brazil
Bruno de Paula/Hevaldo Moreira, Brazil
Vitor Felipe/Alvaro Filho, Brazil
Hermans Egleskalns/Martins Plavins, Latvia
Aleksandrs Solovejs/Ruslans Sorokins, Latvia
Theo Brunner/Nick Lucena, United States
Jeremy Casebeer/Will Montgomery, United States

Reserve Entries, Country

Leonid Gritsay/Bernardo Romano, Azerbaijan
Iaroslav Rudykh /Neilton Santos, Azerbaijan
Filip Silic/Ivan Zeljkovic, Croatia
Jan Dumek/Robert Kufa, Czech Republic
Jan Hadrava/Premysl Kubala, Czech Republic
Saber Hoshmand/Abbas Pourasgari, Iran
Rahman Raoufi/Bahman Salemi, Iran
Junki Hatabe/Katsuhiko Shiratori, Japan
Lukas Kazdailis/Arnas Rumsevicius, Lithuania
Oleksiy Denin/Kostyantyn Medyanyk, Ukraine
Gordieiev Iaroslav/Vladyslav Yemel'yanchyk, Ukraine

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Women's Entries (as of May 24, 2015)

Main Draw Entries, Country

Louise Bawden/Taliqua Clancy, Australia
Maria Antonelli/Juliana Felisberta, Brazil
Talita Antunes/Larissa Franca, Brazil
Agatha Bednarczuk/Barbara Seixas, Brazil
Carolina Salgado/Maria Clara Salgado, Brazil
Heather Bansley/Sarah Pavan, Canada
Melissa Humana-Paredes/Taylor Pischke, Canada
Fan Wang/Yuan Yue, China
Kristyna Kolocova/Marketa Slukova, Czech Republic
Karla Borger/Britta Buthe, Germany
Katrin Holtwick/Ilka Semmler, Germany
Laura Ludwig/Kira Walkenhorst, Germany
Marta Menegatti/Viktoria Orsi Toth, Italy
Madelein Meppelink/Marleen Van Iersel, Netherlands
Ekaterina Birlova/Evgeniya Ukolova, Russia
Olga Motrich/Daria Rudykh, Russia
Maria Prokopeva/Ekaterina Syrtseva, Russia
Natalia Dubovcova/Dominika Nestarcova, Slovak Republic
Elsa Baquerizo/Liliana Fernandez, Spain
Tanja Goricane/Tanja Huberli, Switzerland
Joana Heidrich/Nadine Zumkehr, Switzerland
Emily Day/Jennifer Kessy, United States
Lauren Fendrick/Brooke Sweat, United States
April Ross/Kerri Walsh Jennings, United States

Qualification Tournament Entries, Country

Ana Gallay/Georgina Klug, Argentina
Mariafe Artacho/Nicole Laird, Australia
Barbara Hansel/Stefanie Schwaiger, Austria
Valerie Teufl/Bianca Zass, Austria
Vivian Cunha/Zinaida Liubymova, Azerbaijan
Raquel Ferreira/Iuliia Karimova, Azerbaijan
Meimei Lin/Yuanyuan Ma, China
Taru Lahti/Riikka Lehtonen, Finland
Vasiliki Arvaniti/Maria Tsiartsiani, Greece
Sayaka Mizoe/Takemi Nishibori, Japan
Tatyana Mashkova/Irina Tsimbalova, Kazakhstan
Alise Lece/Marta Ozolina, Latvia
Ieva Dumbaускаite/Monika Povilaityte, Lithuania
Bibiana Candelas/Claudia Rios, Mexico
Monika Brzostek/Kinga Kolosinska, Poland
Yulia Abalakina/Ksenia Dabizha, Russia
Ksenia Ezhak/Natalia Klimanskaia, Russia
Luciana Pierangeli/Simone Sittig, South Africa
Angela Lobato/Paula Soria, Spain
Nina Grawender/Karin Lundqvist, Sweden
Isabelle Forrer/Anouk Verge-Depre, Switzerland
Norisbeth Agudo/Olaya Pazo, Venezuela

Country Quota, Country

Valeryia Babenka/Yana Mileuskaya, Belarus
Viktoryia Shalayeuskaya/Viktoryia Siakretava, Belarus
Fernanda Alves/Taiana Lima, Brazil
Carolina Horta/Liliane Maestrini, Brazil
Jamie Broder/Kristina Valjas, Canada
Julie Gordon/Brandie Wilkerson, Canada
Kacie MacTavish/Caleigh Whitaker, Canada
Martina Bonnerova/Barbora Hermannova, Czech Republic
Magdalena Dostalova/Karolina Rehackova, Czech Republic
Martina Jakubsova/Diana Zolnercikova, Czech Republic
Victoria Bieneck/Julia Grossner, Germany
Chantal Laboureur/Julia Sude, Germany
Khanittha Hongpak/Rumpaipruet Numwong, Thailand
Sirinuch Kawfong/Pronsuda Kritsana, Thailand
Julaluk Radarong/Manerat Udomchavee, Thailand
Lane Carico/Kim DiCello, United States
Jennifer Fopma/Summer Ross, United States
Brittany Hochevar/Heather McGuire, United States

Reserve Entries, Country

Maja Rosko/Antea Tadic, Croatia
Gabriela Tomasekova/Martina Turnerova, Slovak Republic
Merve Nezir/Fatma Yildirim, Turkey

2015 FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour Men's & Women's Highlights

The 2015 FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour calendar features a FIVB record US\$9.75 million in prize money, five Grand Slam events, a new FIVB Swatch Beach Volleyball Major Series of four events, ten FIVB Open tournaments, a special FIVB Swatch Beach Volleyball Season Final in the United States, and four age-group FIVB World Championships. The showcase event will be the US\$1Million FIVB Beach Volleyball World Championships in The Netherlands. The schedule starts in April and concludes in December. This year marks the 29th anniversary of the first FIVB beach volleyball event held February 17-22, 1987 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The gold medal was won by USA's Sinjin Smith/Randy Stoklos. The men's World Tour began in 1989, the women's in 1992. Smith/Stoklos were the champions of the inaugural season in 1989-90.

- The international beach volleyball circuit will visit 21 sites in 16 countries over a nine-month period.
- With the 2015 FIVB Beach Volleyball schedule featuring 20 men's and 20 women's events within the African, Asian, European and South American confederations, the FIVB international calendar will offer a FIVB record US\$9.75 million in prize money.
- The FIVB Beach Volleyball World Championships, all five FIVB World Tour Grand Slam events, the four Swatch FIVB Major Series events, and the Swatch FIVB World Tour Season Final will be combined events for women and men. Seven of the FIVB Open events will be double-gender; one will be men only and one women only. The women's only FIVB Open tournament was in the Czech Republic (Prague). The Men's only FIVB Open tournament will be in Qatar (Doha).
- The total purse for the five FIVB Grand Slams and four Swatch FIVB Major Series events will be \$800,000 each and \$500,000 for the Swatch FIVB World Tour Season Final which will feature the top eight teams in each gender.
- The FIVB World Tour Grand Slam events will return to 2014 venues in Russia (Moscow) and the United States (Long Beach). New venues will be the United States (St. Petersburg), Japan (Yokohama), and Poland (Olsztyn).
- The four FIVB Major Series events will return to 2014 Grand Slam venues in Norway (Stavanger) and Switzerland (Gstaad). One will be in a new venue in Croatia (Porec) and the other location has not been determined.
- Gstaad has staged 15 FIVB women's and 14 FIVB men's beach volleyball events as well as hosting the FIVB World Championships in 2007. Stavanger has hosted 14 men's and 11 women's FIVB events including the 2009 FIVB World Championships.
- The Hague will host the 2015 FIVB World Championships, featuring US\$1Million in prize money.
- The United States will host three events in 2015 including FIVB Grand Slams in St. Petersburg, Fla. and Long Beach, Calif. along with the Swatch FIVB World Tour Season Final in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.
- The opening event on the 2015 FIVB World Tour calendar for the third straight year will be the double-gender FIVB Fuzhou Open on April 21-26. The first 2015 FIVB Grand Slam event will be the Moscow Grand Slam on May 26-31, and the first Major Series will be held in Porec Croatia from June 2-6.
- The 2015 FIVB World Tour Grand Slam events conclude in Olsztyn, Poland on August 30. The FIVB Major Series will conclude at a site to be determined on Sept. 6-11. The FIVB Open schedule will end for the third straight year in South Africa (FIVB Mangaung Open) with a double gender event on December 8-13.
- The FIVB Beach Volleyball calendar also includes FIVB Age Group World Championships for players under the age of 23, under the age of 21, under the age of 19, and under the age of 17. FIVB age-group worlds for U21 and U19 have been held for over a decade, twice for U23 and once for U17. However, they are now played every other year and will not be played in 2015; they will return to the annual schedule in 2016.
- IMG Sports Media will continue to have the exclusive distribution media rights for the 2015 FIVB World Tour.
- For the sixth straight year, the tour is exclusively using the Mikasa VLS300 ball.

2015 FIVB Beach Volleyball Calendar and Results

Dates	Site	Type	Gender	Gold Medal Team/Prize Money (\$US)
April 21-25	Fuzhou, China	Open	Men	Markus Bockermann/Lars Fluggen, GER
April 22-26	Fuzhou, China	Open	Women	Jamie Broder/Kristina Valjas, Canada
May 12-17	Lucerne, Switzerland	Open	Women	Karla Borger/Britta Buthe, Germany
May 13-17	Lucerne, Switzerland	Open	Men	Marco Caminati/Alex Ranghieri, Italy
May 20-24	Prague, Czech Republic	Open	Women	Agatha Bednarczuk/Barbara Seixas, Brazil
May 26-31	Moscow, Russia	Grand Slam	Men	\$400,000
May 26-31	Moscow, Russia	Grand Slam	Women	\$400,000
June 2-6	Porec, Croatia	Major Series	Women	\$400,000
June 3-7	Porec, Croatia	Major Series	Men	\$400,000
June 9-13	Stavanger, Norway	Major Series	Women	\$400,000
June 9-14	Stavanger, Norway	Major Series	Men	\$400,000
June 16-21	St. Petersburg, USA	Grand Slam	Men	\$400,000
June 17-21	St. Petersburg, USA	Grand Slam	Women	\$400,000
June 26-July 5	Netherlands	World Championships	Men	\$500,000
June 26-July 5	Netherlands	World Championships	Women	\$500,000
July 7-11	Gstaad, Switzerland	Major Series	Women	\$400,000
July 8-12	Gstaad, Switzerland	Major Series	Men	\$400,000
July 21-26	Yokohama, Japan	Grand Slam	Men	\$400,000
July 21-26	Yokohama, Japan	Grand Slam	Women	\$400,000
August 11-15	Istanbul, Turkey	Open	Women	\$75,000
August 12-16	Istanbul, Turkey	Open	Men	\$75,000
August 18-23	Long Beach, USA	Grand Slam	Men	\$400,000
August 18-23	Long Beach, USA	Grand Slam	Women	\$400,000
August 25-30	Olsztyn, Poland	Grand Slam	Men	\$400,000
August 25-30	Olsztyn, Poland	Grand Slam	Women	\$400,000
September 1-6	World Tour Event	Major Series	Men	\$400,000
September 1-6	World Tour Event	Major Series	Women	\$400,000
September 1-6	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	Open	Men	\$75,000
September 1-6	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	Open	Women	\$75,000
September 8-13	Sochi, Russia	Open	Men	\$75,000
September 8-13	Sochi, Russia	Open	Women	\$75,000
September 22-26	Xiamen, China	Open	Men	\$75,000
September 23-27	Xiamen, China	Open	Women	\$75,000
Sept. 29 - Oct. 4	Fort Lauderdale, USA	World Tour Final	Men	\$250,000
Sept. 29 - Oct. 4	Fort Lauderdale, USA	World Tour Final	Women	\$250,000
October 6-11	Puerto Vallarta, Mexico	Open	Women	\$75,000
October 7-11	Puerto Vallarta, Mexico	Open	Men	\$75,000
November 9-13	Doha, Qatar	Open	Men	\$75,000
December 8-13	Mangaung, South Africa	Open	Men	\$75,000
December 8-13	Mangaung, South Africa	Open	Women	\$75,000

2015 FIVB Beach Volleyball World Season Rankings (through May 24)

Men (Team Rank, events, points)

- 1, Alexander Brouwer/Robert Meeuwsen, Netherlands, 2, 900
- 2, Konstantin Semenov/Viacheslav Krasilnikov, Russia, 2, 540
- 3, Markus Bockermann/Lars Fluggen, Germany, 1, 500
- 3, Alex Ranghieri/Marco Caminati, Italy, 1, 500
- 5, Josh Binstock/Sam Schachter, Canada, 2, 480
- 5, Sebastian Fuchs/Thomas Kaczmarek, Germany, 2, 480
- 5, Matteo Ingrosso/Paolo Ingrosso, Italy, 2, 480
- 5, Juan Virgen/Lombardo Ontiveros, Mexico, 2, 480
- 5, Michal Bryl/Kacper Kujawiak, Poland, 2, 480
- 5, Bartosz Losiak/Piotr Kantor, Poland, 2, 480
- 5, Jesus Villafane/Jackson Henriquez, Venezuela, 2, 480
- 12, Todd Rogers/Stafford Slick, United States, 2, 470
- 13, Maciej Kosiak/Maciej Rudol, Poland, 2, 420
- 13, Yaroslav Koshkarev/Dmitri Barsouk, Russia, 2, 420
- 15, Youssef Krou/Edouard Rowlandson, France, 1, 400
- 15, Murat Giginoglu/Volkan Gogtepe, Turkey, 1, 400
- 17, Georgios Kotsilianos/Nikos Zoupanis, Greece, 2, 360
- 17, Mats Kovatsch/Jonas Kissling, Switzerland, 2, 360
- 19, Nico Beeler/Alexei Strasser, Switzerland, 1, 350
- 20, Pablo Herrera/Adrian Gavira, Spain, 1, 300
- 20, Theo Brunner/Nick Lucena, United States, 1, 300
- 22, Bruno de Paula/Hevaldo Moreira, Brazil, 2, 270
- 23, Jiaxin Wu/Jian Li, China, 2, 240
- 23, 7 teams tied with 1, 240

Women (Team Rank, events, points)

- 1, Kristina Valjas/Jamie Broder, Canada, 3, 1,080
- 2, Chantal Laboureur/Julia Sude, Germany, 3, 990
- 3, Heather Bansley/Sarah Pavan, Canada, 2, 750
- 4, Melissa Humana-Paredes/Taylor Pischke, Canada, 3, 720
- 4, Riikka Lehtonen/Taru Lahti, Finland, 3, 720
- 4, Jennifer Fopma/Summer Ross, United States, 3, 720
- 7, Stefanie Schwaiger/Barbara Hansel, Austria, 3, 710
- 8, Eduarda Lisboa/Elize Maia, Brazil, 2, 700
- 9, Liliane Maestrini/Carolina Horta, Brazil, 3, 600
- 9, Takemi Nishibori/Sayaka Mizoe, Japan, 3, 600
- 11, Katharina Schutzenhofer/Lena Plesiutchnig, Austria, 3, 540
- 11, Angela Lobato/Paula Soria, Spain, 3, 540
- 13, Agatha Bednarczuk/Barbara Seixas, Brazil, 1, 500
- 13, Karla Borger/Britta Buthe, Germany, 1, 500
- 15, Ana Gallay/Georgina Klug, Argentina, 2, 480
- 15, Martina Bonnerova/Barbora Hermannova, Czech Republic, 3, 480
- 15, Victoria Bieneck/Julia Grossner, Germany, 2, 480
- 15, Vasiliki Arvaniti/Maria Tsiartsiani, Greece, 3, 480
- 15, Maria Prokopeva/Ekaterina Syrtseva, Russia, 2, 480
- 20, Madelein Meppelink/Marleen Van Iersel, Netherlands, 1, 450
- 21, Brittany Hochevar/Heather McGuire, United States, 3, 420
- 21, Olaya Pazo/Norisbeth Agudo, Venezuela, 3, 420
- 23, April Ross/Kerri Walsh Jennings, United States, 1, 400
- 24, Laura Giombini/Giulia Momoli, Italy, 2, 360
- 24, Tatyana Mashkova/Irina Tsimbalova, Kazakhstan, 2, 360
- 24, Nina Betschart/Nicole Eiholzer, Switzerland, 2, 360
- 24, Lane Carico/Kim DiCello, United States, 2, 360

2015 FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour Money Leaders (through May 24)**Men (Team Rank, events, titles, US earnings)**

- 1, Alexander Brouwer/Robert Meeuwse, Netherlands, 2, 0, \$16,000
- 2, Markus Bockermann/Lars Flüggen, Germany, 1, 1, \$11,000
- 2, Alex Ranghieri/Marco Caminati, Italy, 1, 1, \$11,000
- 4, Youssef Krou/Edouard Rowlandson, France, 1, 0, \$6,000
- 4, Murat Giginoglu/Volkan Gogtepe, Turkey, 1, 0, \$6,000
- 6, Konstantin Semenov/Viacheslav Krasilnikov, Russia, 2, 0, \$5,375
- 7, Todd Rogers/Stafford Slick, United States, 2, 0, \$5,300
- 8, Josh Binstock/Sam Schachter, Canada, 2, 0, \$4,575
- 8, Sebastian Fuchs/Thomas Kaczmarek, Germany, 2, 0, \$4,575
- 8, Matteo Ingrosso/Paolo Ingrosso, Italy, 2, 0, \$4,575
- 8, Michal Bryl/Kacper Kujawiak, Poland, 2, 0, \$4,575
- 8, Jesus Villafane/Jackson Henriquez, Venezuela, 2, 0, \$4,575
- 13, Nico Beeler/Alexei Strasser, Switzerland, 1, 0, \$4,500
- 14, Juan Virgen/Lombardo Ontiveros, Mexico, 2, 0, \$4,000
- 14, Bartosz Losiak/Piotr Kantor, Poland, 2, 0, \$4,000
- 16, Pablo Herrera/Adrian Gavira, Spain, 1, 0, \$3,375
- 16, Theo Brunner/Nick Lucena, United States, 1, 0, \$3,375
- 18, Maciej Kosiak/Maciej Rudol, Poland, 2, 0, \$3,200
- 18, Yaroslav Koshkarev/Dmitri Barsouk, Russia, 2, 0, \$3,200
- 20, Mats Kovatsch/Jonas Kissling, Switzerland, 2, 0, \$2,800
- 21, Georgios Kotsilianos/Nikos Zoupanis, Greece, 2, 0, \$2,400
- 22, Bruno de Paula/Hevaldo Moreira, Brazil, 2, 0, \$2,000
- 22, 7 teams tied with 1, 0, \$2,000

Women (Team Rank, events, titles, US earnings)

- 1, Jamie Broder/Kristina Valjas, Canada, 3, 1, \$18,200
- 2, Chantal Laboureur/Julia Sude, Germany, 3, 0, \$13,375
- 3, Heather Bansley/Sarah Pavan, Canada, 2, 0, \$11,375
- 4, Agatha Bednarczuk/Barbara Seixas, Brazil, 1, 1, \$11,000
- 4, Karla Borger/Britta Buthe, Germany, 1, 1, \$11,000
- 6, Eduarda Lisboa/Elize Maia, Brazil, 2, 0, \$9,375
- 7, Madelein Meppelink/Marleen Van Iersel, Netherlands, 1, 0, \$8,000
- 8, Stefanie Schwaiger/Barbara Hansel, Austria, 3, 0, \$7,300
- 9, Melissa Humana-Paredes/Taylor Pischke, Canada, 3, 0, \$6,575
- 9, Riikka Lehtonen/Taru Lahti, Finland, 3, 0, \$6,575
- 9, Jennifer Fopma/Summer Ross, United States, 3, 0, \$6,575
- 12, April Ross/Kerri Walsh Jennings, United States, 1, 0, \$6,000
- 13, Liliane Maestrini/Carolina Horta, Brazil, 3, 0, \$5,375
- 14, Victoria Bieneck/Julia Grossner, Germany, 2, 0, \$4,575
- 14, Angela Lobato/Paula Soria, Spain, 3, 0, \$4,575
- 16, Maria Clara Salgado/Carolina Salgado, Brazil, 1, 0, \$4,500
- 16, Fan Wang/Yuan Yue, China, 1, 0, \$4,500
- 18, Takemi Nishibori/Sayaka Mizoe, Japan, 3, 0, \$4,400
- 19, Ana Gallay/Georgina Klug, Argentina, 2, 0, \$4,000
- 19, Ekaterina Syrtseva/Maria Prokopeva, Russia, 2, 0, \$4,000
- 21, Lena Plesiutchnig/Katharina Schutzenhofer, Austria, 3, 0, \$3,600
- 21, Vasiliki Arvaniti/Maria Tsiartsiani, Greece, 3, 0, \$3,600
- 23, Louise Bawden/Taliqua Clancy, Australia, 1, 0, \$3,375
- 23, Evgeniya Ukolova/Ekaterina Birlova, Russia, 1, 0, \$3,375
- 23, Linline Matauatu/Pata Miller, Vanuatu, 1, 0, \$3,375

2014 FIVB Beach Volleyball Season Men's & Women's Highlights

The 2014 FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour calendar featured a FIVB record US\$9.6 million in prize money, ten Grand Slam events, eight FIVB Open tournaments and four age-group FIVB World Championships including the first U17 FIVB Beach Volleyball World Championships. The schedule started in April and concluded in December. 2014 marked the 28th anniversary of the first FIVB beach volleyball event held February 17-22, 1987 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The gold medal was won by USA's Sinjin Smith/Randy Stoklos. The men's World Tour began in 1989, the women's in 1992. Smith/Stoklos were the champions of the inaugural season in 1989-90.

- The international beach volleyball circuit visited 18 sites in 15 countries over an eight-month period.
- The 2014 FIVB Beach Volleyball schedule featured 17 men's and 17 women's events within the African, Asian, European and South American confederations, the FIVB international calendar offered a FIVB record \$9.6 million in prize money
- All ten FIVB World Tour Grand Slam events were combined events for women and men. Seven of the FIVB Open events were double-gender, one was men only and one was women only. The women's only FIVB Open tournament was in the Czech Republic (Prague). The Men's only FIVB Open tournament was in Qatar (Doha).
- The total purse for eight of the FIVB Grand Slams was \$800,000 each, for The Hague (Netherlands) and Long Beach, Calif. (USA) it was \$1 million each.
- The FIVB World Tour Grand Slam events returned to 2013 venues in China (Shanghai), Russia (Moscow), Germany (Berlin), Switzerland (Gstaad), Netherlands (The Hague), Poland (Stare Jablonki), and Brazil (São Paulo).
- Gstaad has staged 14 FIVB women's and 13 FIVB men's beach volleyball events as well as hosting the FIVB World Championships in 2007. The Hague will host the 2015 FIVB World Championships while Berlin hosted the event in 2005, Gstaad hosted in 2007 and Stare Jablonki presented in the FIVB World Championships in 2013.
- The FIVB World Tour Grand Slam events also returned to former venues in Norway (Stavanger) and Austria (Klagenfurt).
- Stavanger has hosted 13 men's and 10 women's FIVB events up to 2011 including the 2009 FIVB World Championships while Klagenfurt has hosted 16 men and 12 women's FIVB events up to 2012 including the 2001 FIVB World Championships.
- The opening event on the 2014 FIVB World Tour calendar for the second straight year was the double-gender FIVB Fuzhou Open on April 22-27. The first 2014 FIVB Grand Slam event was the Shanghai Grand Slam on April 29-May 4 as China hosted four FIVB international tournaments in 2014, including the FIVB World Tour Open in Xiamen on October 7-12 and the 2014 Nanjing Youth Olympic Games.
- The 2014 FIVB World Tour Grand Slam events concluded in São Paulo, Brazil on Sept. 23. The FIVB Open schedule ended for the second straight year in South Africa (FIVB Mangaung Open) with a double gender event on December 9-14.
- For the first time in beach volleyball history, the FIVB Beach Volleyball calendar also featured FIVB World Championships in four age groups for players under the age of 23, under the age of 17, under the age of 21 and under the age of 19. FIVB age-group worlds for U21 and U19 have been held for over a decade, but 2014 will be the second for U23 and first for U17. Myslowice, Poland again hosted the 2013 FIVB U23 World Championships June 10-15, while Acapulco, Mexico hosted the FIVB U17 World Championships July 15-20, Larnaka, Cyprus hosted the FIVB U21 World Championships July 23-27 and Porto, Portugal hosted the 2014 FIVB U19 World Championships July 29-August 3.
- IMG Sports Media continued to have the exclusive distribution media rights for the 2014 FIVB World Tour.
- For the fifth straight year, the tour exclusively used the Mikasa VLS300 ball.

2014 FIVB Beach Volleyball Results

Dates	Site	Type	Gender	Gold Medal Team/Prize Money (\$US)
April 22-26	Fuzhou, China	Open	Men	Daniele Lupo/Paolo Nicolai, Italy
April 23-27	Fuzhou, China	Open	Women	April Ross/Kerri Walsh Jennings, USA
April 29-May 3	Shanghai, China	Grand Slam	Men	Lupo/Nicolai, Italy
April 30-May 4	Shanghai, China	Grand Slam	Women	Laura Ludwig/Kira Walkenhorst, Germany
May 6-10	Puerto Vallarta, Mexico	Open	Men	Aleksandrs Samoilovs/Janis Smedins, Latvia
May 7-11	Puerto Vallarta, Mexico	Open	Women	Agatha Bednarczuk/Barbara Seixas, Brazil
May 21-25	Prague, Czech Republic	Open	Women	Kristyna Kolocova/Marketa Slukova, CZE
May 27-31	Anapa, Russia	Open	Women	Victoria Bieneck/Julia Grossner, Germany
May 28-June 1	Anapa, Russia	Open	Men	Martins Plavins/Aleksandrs Solovejs, Latvia
June 10-15	Myslowice, Poland	U23 WC	Men	Maciej Kosiak/Maciej Rudol, Poland
June 10-15	Myslowice, Poland	U23 WC	Women	Mariafe Artacho/Nicole Laird, Australia
June 11-15	Moscow, Russia	Grand Slam	Men	Viacheslav Krasilnikov/Konstantin Semenov, RUS
June 11-15	Moscow, Russia	Grand Slam	Women	A. Ross/Walsh Jennings, United States
June 17-22	Berlin, Germany	Grand Slam	Women	Kolocova/Slukova, Czech Republic
June 18-22	Berlin, Germany	Grand Slam	Men	Tri Bourne/John Hyden, United States
June 24-28	Stavanger, Norway	Grand Slam	Women	A. Ross/Walsh Jennings, United States
June 24-29	Stavanger, Norway	Grand Slam	Men	Phil Dalhausser/Sean Rosenthal, United States
July 8-13	Gstaad, Switzerland	Grand Slam	Women	Katrin Holtwick/Ilka Semmler, Germany
July 9-13	Gstaad, Switzerland	Grand Slam	Men	Dalhausser/Rosenthal, United States
July 15-20	The Hague, Netherlands	Grand Slam	Women	Fernanda Alves/Taiana Lima, Brazil
July 15-20	The Hague, Netherlands	Grand Slam	Men	Grzegorz Fijalek/Mariusz Prudel, Poland
July 16-20	Acapulco, Mexico	U17 WC	Girls	Morgan Martin/Kathryn Plummer, United States
July 16-20	Acapulco, Mexico	U17 WC	Boys	Florian Breer/Yves Haussener, Switzerland
July 22-27	Long Beach, USA	Grand Slam	Women	A. Ross/Walsh Jennings, United States
July 22-27	Long Beach, USA	Grand Slam	Men	Dalhausser/Rosenthal, United States
July 23-27	Larnaka, Cyprus	U21 WC	Women	Sophie Bukovec/Tiadora Miric, Canada
July 23-27	Larnaka, Cyprus	U21 WC	Men	Michal Bryl/Kacper Kujawiak, Poland
July 29-August 2	Klagenfurt, Austria	Grand Slam	Women	Talita Antunes/Larissa Franca, Brazil
July 29-August 3	Porto, Portugal	U19 WC	Men	Arthur Mariano/George Wanderley, Brazil
July 29-August 3	Porto, Portugal	U19 WC	Women	Andressa Cavalcanti/Eduarda Lisboa, Brazil
July 30-August 3	Klagenfurt, Austria	Grand Slam	Men	Alison Cerutti/Bruno Oscar Schmidt, Brazil
August 19-23	Stare Jablonki, Poland	Grand Slam	Women	Talita/Larissa, Brazil
August 20-24	Stare Jablonki, Poland	Grand Slam	Men	Alvaro Filho/Pedro Salgado, Brazil
August 17-26	Nanjing, China	Youth Olympics	Girls	Lisboa/Ana Patricia Silva, Brazil
August 17-27	Nanjing, China	Youth Olympics	Boys	Oleg Stoyanovskiy/Artem Yarzutkin, Russia
September 23-28	São Paulo, Brazil	Grand Slam	Men	Reinder Nummerdor/Christiaan Varenhorst, NED
September 23-28	São Paulo, Brazil	Grand Slam	Women	Talita/Larissa, Brazil
October 7-11	Xiamen, China	Open	Men	Youssef Krou/Edouard Rowlandson, France
October 8-12	Xiamen, China	Open	Women	Maria Antonelli/Juliana Felisberta, Brazil
October 28-Nov 1	Paraná, Argentina	Open	Women	Talita/Larissa, Brazil
October 29-Nov 2	Paraná, Argentina	Open	Men	Josh Binstock/Sam Schachter, Canada
November 4-8	Doha, Qatar	Open	Men	Tim Holler/Jonas Schroder, Germany
December 9-14	Mangaung, South Africa	Open	Men	Nummerdor/Varenhorst, Netherlands
December 9-14	Mangaung, South Africa	Open	Women	Martina Bonnerova/Barbora Hermannova, CZE

Final 2014 FIVB Beach Volleyball World Season Rankings

Men (Team Rank, events, points)

- 1, Aleksandrs Samoilovs/Janis Smedins, Latvia, 14, 6,500
- 2, Sean Rosenthal/Philip Dalhausser, United States, 10, 5,440
- 3, Bruno Oscar Schmidt/Alison Cerutti, Brazil, 11, 5,330
- 4, Grzegorz Fijalek/Mariusz Prudel, Poland, 13, 5,228
- 5, Pablo Herrera Allepuz/Adrián Gavira Collado, Spain, 15, 4,982
- 6, Marco Grimalt/Esteban Grimalt, Chile, 19, 4,764
- 7, Paolo Nicolai/Daniele Lupo, Italy, 10, 4,640
- 8, John Hyden/Tri Bourne, United States, 11, 4,280
- 9, Jacob Gibb/Casey Patterson, United States, 11, 4,210
- 10, Ben Saxton/Chaim Schalk, Canada, 12, 3,860
- 10, Christiaan Varenhorst/Jon Stiekema, Netherlands, 11, 3,860
- 12, Kay Matysik/Jonathan Erdmann, Germany, 14, 3,846
- 13, Viacheslav Krasilnikov/Konstantin Semenov, Russia, 11, 3,772
- 14, Emanuel Rego/Pedro Solberg Salgado, Brazil, 9, 3,740
- 15, Jakub Szalankiewicz/Michal Kadziola, Poland, 13, 3,702
- 16, Clemens Doppler/Alexander Horst, Austria, 13, 3,636
- 17, Philip Gabathuler/Mirco Gerson, Switzerland, 15, 3,570
- 18, Francisco Alfredo Marco/Christian García, Spain, 19, 3,414
- 19, Edouard Rowlandson/Youssef Krou, France, 18, 3,298
- 20, Alexey Sidorenko/Alexandr Dyachenko, Kazakhstan, 12, 3,256
- 21, Alexander Brouwer/Robert Meeuwsen, Netherlands, 11, 3,194
- 22, Nicholas Lucena/Ryan Doherty, United States, 9, 3,120
- 23, Stefan Windscheif/Alexander Walkenhorst, Germany, 13, 3,096
- 24, Iver Andreas Horrem/Geir Eithun, Norway, 19, 3,092
- 25, Ricardo Alex Costa Santos/Álvaro Morais Filho, Brazil, 8, 3,020

Women (Team Rank, events, points)

- 1, Juliana Felisberta Da Silva/Maria Antonelli, Brazil, 14, 6,740
- 2, Georgina Klug/Ana Gallay, Argentina, 21, 5,712
- 3, Barbara Seixas De Freitas/Agatha Bednarczuk, Brazil, 12, 5,660
- 4, Kerri Walsh/April Ross, United States, 10, 5,420
- 5, Marleen Van Iersel/Madelein Meppelink, Netherlands, 13, 5,364
- 6, Yuan Yue/Fan Wang, China, 14, 5,250
- 7, Britta Büthe/Karla Borger, Germany, 16, 5,186
- 8, Liliana Fernández Steiner/Elsa Baquerizo McMillan, Spain, 15, 5,180
- 9, Ilka Semmler/Katrin Holtwick, Germany, 15, 4,892
- 10, Marketa Slukova/Kristyna Kolocova, Czech Republic, 10, 4,720
- 11, Marta Menegatti/Viktoria Orsi Toth, Italy, 14, 4,632
- 12, Maria Prokopeva/Evgenia Ukolova, Russia, 16, 3,974
- 13, Dominika Nestarcova/Natalia Dubovcova, Slovak Republic, 13, 3,840
- 14, Barbora Hermannová/Martina Bonnerová, Czech Republic, 19, 3,812
- 15, Tanja Goricanec/Tanja Hüberli, Switzerland, 18, 3,782
- 16, Talita Da Rocha Antunes/Larissa França Maestrini, Brazil, 6, 3,620
- 17, Monika Brzostek/Kinga Kolosinska, Poland, 16, 3,420
- 18, Louise Bawden/Taliqua Clancy, Australia, 15, 3,416
- 19, Maria Clara Salgado Rufino/Carolina Solberg Salgado, Brazil, 10, 3,400
- 20, Alexandra Moiseeva/Ekaterina Syrtseva, Russia, 14, 3,356
- 21, Isabelle Forrer/Anouk Vergé-Dépré, Switzerland, 15, 3,246
- 22, Nadine Zumkehr/Joana Heidrich, Switzerland, 12, 3,230
- 23, Melissa Humana-Paredes/Taylor Pischke, Canada, 10, 2,988
- 24, Sarah Pavan/Heather Bansley, Canada, 11, 2,982
- 25, Jamie Lynn Broder/Kristina Valjas, Canada, 13, 2,980

Final 2014 FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour Money Leaders

Men (Team Rank, events, titles, US earnings-includes World Tour Grand Slams and Opens)

- 1, Phil Dalhausser/Sean Rosenthal, United States, 10, 3, \$318,000
- 2, Alison Cerutti/Bruno Oscar Schmidt, Brazil, 11, 1, \$241,000
- 3, Grzegorz Fijalek/Mariusz Prudel, Poland, 10, 1, \$240,000
- 4, Aleksandrs Samoilovs/Janis Smedins, Latvia, 12, 1, \$233,500
- 5, Daniele Lupo/Paolo Nicolai, Italy, 9, 2, \$187,000
- 6, John Hyden/Tri Bourne, United States, 11, 1, \$167,800
- 7, Emanuel Rego/Pedro Salgado, Brazil, 9, 0, \$146,375
- 8, Jonathan Erdmann/Kay Matysik, Germany, 8, 0, \$137,000
- 9, Pablo Herrera/Adrian Gavira, Spain, 11, 0, \$135,000
- 9, Jake Gibb/Casey Patterson, United States, 10, 0, \$135,000
- 11, Ryan Doherty/Nick Lucena, United States, 9, 0, \$133,000
- 12, Konstantin Semenov/Viacheslav Krasilnikov, Russia, 9, 1, \$123,200
- 13, Alvaro Filho/Ricardo Santos, Brazil, 8, 0, \$113,375
- 14, Jon Stiekema/Christiaan Varenhorst, Netherlands, 9, 0, \$111,000
- 15, Michal Kadziola/Jakub Szalankiewicz, Poland, 9, 0, \$101,000
- 16, Chaim Schalk/Ben Saxton, Canada, 11, 0, \$100,000
- 17, Alexander Walkenhorst/Stefan Windscheif, Germany, 8, 0, \$98,000
- 18, Philip Gabathuler/Mirco Gerson, Switzerland, 11, 0, \$93,400
- 19, Alexander Brouwer/Robert Meeuwsen, Netherlands, 9, 0, \$93,000
- 20, Vitor Felipe/Evandro Goncalves, Brazil, 10, 0, \$90,000
- 21, Clemens Doppler/Alexander Horst, Austria, 8, 0, \$86,000
- 22, Bartosz Losiak/Piotr Kantor, Poland, 8, 0, \$83,000
- 23, Reinder Nummerdor/Christiaan Varenhorst, Netherlands, 3, 2, \$85,000
- 24, Alexey Sidorenko/Alexandr Dyachenko, Kazakhstan, 9, 0, \$81,200
- 25, Isaac Kapa/Christopher McHugh, Australia, 7, 0, \$76,000

Women (Team Rank, events, titles, US earnings-includes World Tour Grand Slams and Opens)

- 1, April Ross/Kerri Walsh Jennings, United States, 10, 4, \$282,000
- 2, Maria Antonelli/Juliana Felisberta, Brazil, 14, 1, \$261,375
- 3, Agatha Bednarczuk/Barbara Seixas, Brazil, 12, 1, \$233,000
- 4, Katrin Holtwick/Ilka Semmler, Germany, 11, 1, \$214,000
- 5, Larissa Franca/Talita Antunes, Brazil, 6, 4, \$210,000
- 6, Kristyna Kolocova/Marketa Slukova, Czech Republic, 9, 2, \$191,000
- 7, Elsa Baquerizo/Liliana Fernandez, Spain, 9, 0, \$184,000
- 8, Madelein Meppelink/Marleen Van Iersel, Netherlands, 11, 0, \$180,000
- 9, Karla Borger/Britta Buthe, Germany, 11, 0, \$178,375
- 10, Fan Wang/Yuan Yue, China, 13, 0, \$167,175
- 11, Marta Menegatti/Viktoria Orsi Toth, Italy, 12, 0, \$146,375
- 12, Fernanda Alves/Taiana Lima, Brazil, 6, 1, \$134,000
- 13, Natalia Dubovcova/Dominika Nestarcova, Slovak Republic, 9, 0, \$124,000
- 14, Laura Ludwig/Julia Sude, Germany, 6, 0, \$112,000
- 15, Maria Clara Salgado/Carolina Salgado, Brazil, 10, 0, \$101,500
- 16, Ana Gallay/Georgina Klug, Argentina, 14, 0, \$97,500
- 17, Louise Bawden/Taliqua Clancy, Australia, 9, 0, \$96,000
- 18, Joana Heidrich/Nadine Zumkehr, Switzerland, 8, 0, \$92,000
- 18, Lauren Fendrick/Brooke Sweat, United States, 8, 0, \$92,000
- 20, Talita Antunes/Taiana Lima, Brazil, 5, 0, \$90,750
- 21, Heather Bansley/Sarah Pavan, Canada, 10, 0, \$90,375
- 22, Emily Day/Summer Ross, United States, 10, 0, \$90,000
- 23, Tanja Goricanec/Tanja Huberli, Switzerland, 12, 0, \$77,200
- 24, Jamie Broder/Kristina Valjas, Canada, 13, 0, \$75,175
- 25, Laura Ludwig/Kira Walkenhorst, Germany, 4, 1, \$72,000

Men's FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour – All-time Country Medals & Final 4s

Country	Gold	Including Open, Grand Slam, Olympics stops			4ths.....	Final 4s
		Silver	Bronze	Medals		
Brazil	173	131	129	433	96	529
United States	62	51	46	159	38	197
Germany	16	30	26	72	30	102
Switzerland	9	23	20	52	17	69
Argentina	8	15	14	37	15	52
Norway	8	6	12	26	14	40
Netherlands	12	8	4	24	10	34
Spain	2	8	10	20	8	28
Canada	2	7	10	19	11	30
Russia	4	5	7	16	8	24
Latvia	6	7	2	15	3	18
Italy	3	6	5	14	9	23
Australia	1	1	11	13	9	22
China	2	6	4	12	4	16
France	2	2	5	9	9	18
Poland	1	4	4	9	6	15
Austria	0	1	3	4	8	12
Cuba	1	2	1	4	2	6
Portugal	2	0	0	2	6	8
Vacated	1	1	0	2	0	2
Chile	0	2	0	2	0	2
Estonia	1	0	0	1	3	4
Japan	0	0	1	1	2	3
New Zealand	0	0	1	1	1	2
Mexico	0	0	1	1	0	1
Turkey	0	0	1	1	0	1
Czech Republic	0	0	0	0	4	4
Georgia	0	0	0	0	1	1
Kazakhstan	0	0	0	0	1	1
Totals	316	316	317	949	315	1,264

- There have been 316 men's FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour events (Open, Grand Slam, Olympic and Goodwill).
- There have been 87 events that featured four different countries in the semi-finals.
- There have been 234 events where two different countries battled for a FIVB Gold Medal.
- Brazil vs. United States..... United States leads 30-29
- Brazil vs. Germany..... Brazil leads 19-8
- Argentina vs. Brazil..... Brazil leads 14-8
- Brazil vs. Switzerland..... Brazil leads 17-4
- Brazil vs. Norway..... Tied 5-5
- Brazil vs. Netherlands..... Brazil leads 5-4
- Brazil vs. Canada..... Brazil leads 4-1
- Germany vs. United States..... United States leads 4-1
- Brazil vs. Spain..... Brazil leads 3-2
- Germany vs. Netherlands..... Netherlands leads 3-1
- Germany vs. Switzerland..... Tied 2-2
- Brazil vs. China..... Brazil leads 3-0
- Italy vs. United States..... United States leads 3-0
- Spain vs. United States..... United States leads 3-0
- Brazil vs. Latvia..... Brazil leads 2-1
- Poland vs. United States..... United States leads 2-1
- Brazil vs. Cuba..... Brazil leads 2-0
- Brazil vs. Portugal..... Portugal leads 2-0
- Brazil vs. Russia..... Brazil leads 2-0
- China vs. Netherlands..... Netherlands leads 2-0
- Brazil vs. France..... Tied 1-1
- Brazil vs. Italy..... Tied 1-1
- China vs. United States..... Tied 1-1
- Germany vs. Russia..... Tied 1-1
- Italy vs. Latvia..... Tied 1-1
- Italy vs. Netherlands..... Tied 1-1
- Latvia vs. Russia..... Tied 1-1
- Latvia vs. United States..... Tied 1-1
- Russia vs. United States..... Tied 1-1
- Switzerland vs. United States..... Tied 1-1
- Argentina vs. Norway..... Norway leads 1-0
- Australia vs. Brazil..... Brazil leads 1-0
- Australia vs. Switzerland..... Australia leads 1-0
- Austria vs. Latvia..... Latvia leads 1-0
- Brazil vs. Poland..... Brazil leads 1-0
- Canada vs. Chile..... Canada leads 1-0
- Canada vs. Germany..... Germany leads 1-0
- Canada vs. Switzerland..... Switzerland leads 1-0
- Canada vs. United States..... United States leads 1-0
- Chile vs. Netherlands..... Netherlands leads 1-0
- China vs. Latvia..... China leads 1-0
- Cuba vs. United States..... Cuba leads 1-0
- Estonia vs. Switzerland..... Estonia leads 1-0
- France vs. Norway..... Norway leads 1-0
- France vs. Spain..... France leads 1-0
- Germany vs. Norway..... Germany leads 1-0
- Netherlands vs. Spain..... Netherlands leads 1-0
- Netherlands vs. United States..... United States leads 1-0
- Norway vs. United States..... Norway leads 1-0
- Poland vs. Russia..... Russia leads 1-0

Women's FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour – All-time Country Medals & Final 4s

Country	Gold	Including Open, Grand Slam, Olympics stops			Silver	Bronze	Medals	4ths	Final 4s
Brazil	138	114	116	368	81	449			
United States	97	70	68	235	65	300			
China	22	30	27	79	19	98			
Germany	6	25	18	49	23	72			
Australia	4	12	17	33	20	53			
Netherlands	4	3	5	12	15	27			
Italy	0	5	5	10	10	20			
Russia	2	2	5	9	2	11			
Czech Republic	3	0	5	8	9	17			
Greece	1	4	2	7	8	15			
Austria	0	3	3	6	7	13			
Japan	0	3	2	5	4	9			
Switzerland	2	0	2	4	4	8			
Spain	0	3	1	4	4	8			
Norway	0	2	2	4	2	6			
Canada	1	1	1	3	1	4			
Cuba	0	2	0	2	2	4			
Slovak Republic	0	0	2	2	0	2			
Ukraine	0	1	0	1	0	1			
Belgium	0	0	0	0	1	1			
Georgia	0	0	0	0	1	1			
Portugal	0	0	0	0	1	1			
Totals	280	280	281	841	279	1,120			

- There have been 281 women's FIVB Beach Volleyball FIVB World Tour Beach Volleyball events (Open, Grand Slam, Olympic and Goodwill).
- There have been 46 events that featured four different countries in the semi-finals including six in 2012
- Brazil has advanced a team(s) to a FIVB semi-final 247 times.
 - Brazil has had three teams advance to the semi-finals in 44 events and four teams three times.
 - Brazil has captured all three podium finishes at 21 different events.
- Brazil has had a team(s) in 201 Gold Medal matches.
 - Brazil has advanced two teams to the Gold Medal match 51 times.
- The United States has advanced a team(s) to a FIVB semi-final 193 times.
 - The United States has advanced three teams to the semi-finals in 17 events.
 - The United States captured all three podium places twice (Norway 2004, France 2008).
- The United States has had a team(s) in 146 Gold Medal matches.
 - The United States has advanced two teams to the Gold Medal match in 21 events including the London 2012 Olympic Games.
- China has advanced a team(s) to a FIVB semi-final 82 times and played in 49 Gold Medal matches.
- There have been 204 events where two different countries competed for the Gold Medal.
- Brazil vs. United States United States leads 50-40
- Brazil vs. China Brazil leads 16-7
- China vs. United States United States leads 9-6
- Brazil vs. Germany Brazil leads 12-1
- Australia vs. Brazil Brazil leads 7-2
- Australia vs. United States United States leads 5-1
- Germany vs. United States United States leads 4-0
- China vs. Germany China leads 3-1
- Austria vs. Brazil Brazil leads 3-0
- Brazil vs. Italy Brazil leads 3-0
- Greece vs. United States United States leads 3-0
- Brazil vs. Greece Tied 1-1
- Germany vs. Netherlands Tied 1-1
- Netherlands vs. United States Tied 1-1
- Germany vs. Russia Tied 1-1
- Australia vs. China Australia leads 1-0
- Brazil vs. Canada Brazil leads 1-0
- Brazil vs. Cuba Brazil leads 1-0
- Brazil vs. Czech Republic Czech Republic leads 1-0
- Brazil vs. Japan Brazil leads 1-0
- Brazil vs. Netherlands Netherlands leads 1-0
- Brazil vs. Norway Brazil leads 1-0
- Brazil vs. Ukraine Brazil leads 1-0
- Canada vs. Germany Canada leads 1-0
- China vs. Cuba China leads 1-0
- China vs. Norway China leads 1-0
- China vs. Spain China leads 1-0
- Czech Republic vs. Germany Czech Republic leads 1-0
- Czech Republic vs. Japan Czech Republic leads 1-0
- Germany vs. Spain Germany leads 1-0
- Germany vs. Switzerland Switzerland leads 1-0
- Italy vs. Netherlands Netherlands leads 1-0
- Italy vs. United States United States leads 1-0
- Japan vs. United States United States leads 1-0
- Netherlands vs. Russia Russia leads 1-0
- Russia vs. United States United States leads 1-0
- Spain vs. United States United States leads 1-0
- Switzerland vs. United States Switzerland leads 1-0