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- 30 DAYS

**2017 FIVB BEACH VOLLEBALL U21 WORLD
CHAMPIONSHIPS IN NANJING, CHINA**

EVENT'S REGULATIONS

This form must be approved by the FIVB 30 days before the start of the event and sent out -20 days by the Organizers to all participating NFs, FIVB Sponsors and FIVB Delegates via e-mail.

Promoter Web site link to the event:

FIVB Web site link to the event: <http://u21.2017.beachvolleyball.fivb.com/>

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VENUE	Tangshan Beach Theme Park Address. Tangshan new town, Jiangning district, Nanjing																											
COMPETITION SCHEDULE AND FORMAT	<p>The Qualification tournament of 24 teams per gender will be played in single elimination format and 4 teams per gender will qualify to the Main Draw tournament.</p> <p>The Main Draw tournament of 32 teams per gender will be played in two phases, first phase of pool play in round robin (8 pools with 4 teams per pool), followed by 2nd phase of single elimination format.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Competition Phase</th> <th>Date for Women</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Qualification Tournament</td> <td>11th July</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Main Draw Tournament – Pool Play</td> <td>12th – 13th July</td> </tr> <tr> <td>R24, R16</td> <td>14th July</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Quarter-Finals, Semi-Finals</td> <td>15th July</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Finals</td> <td>16th July</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Competition Phase</th> <th>Date for Men</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Qualification Tournament</td> <td>11th July</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Main Draw Tournament – Pool Play</td> <td>12th – 13th July</td> </tr> <tr> <td>R24, R16</td> <td>14th July</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Quarter-Finals, Semi-Finals</td> <td>15th July</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Finals</td> <td>16th July</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>				Competition Phase	Date for Women	Qualification Tournament	11 th July	Main Draw Tournament – Pool Play	12 th – 13 th July	R24, R16	14 th July	Quarter-Finals, Semi-Finals	15 th July	Finals	16 th July	Competition Phase	Date for Men	Qualification Tournament	11 th July	Main Draw Tournament – Pool Play	12 th – 13 th July	R24, R16	14 th July	Quarter-Finals, Semi-Finals	15 th July	Finals	16 th July
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PRIZE MONEY	No prize money will be offered in the event.																											

FIVB WORLD RANKING POINTS (PER ATHLETE)

Rank	U21 & U19 WCHs
1st	100
2nd	80
3rd	60
4th	50
5th	40
9th	30
17th	20
25th	15
33rd	10
37th	5
41st	N/A

EVENT SCHEDULE

DATE: 10th July 2017, by 14:00, Latest arrival of Qualification Tournaments teams
DATE & TIME: 10th July / 15:00 to 17:00 Preliminary Inquiry Qualification Tournaments Teams
(mandatory attendance) – Main Draw Hotel
 Technical meeting (drawing of lots) QT: 18h00-18h30

DATE: 11th July 2017, by 14:00, Latest arrival of Main Draw teams
DATE & TIME: 11th July / 16:00 to 18:00 Preliminary Inquiry Main Draw Tournaments Teams
(mandatory attendance) – Main Draw Hotel
DATE & TIME: 17:30, 11th July, Drawing of lots (men and women)
 Technical meeting MD:18h30-19h00

DATE: 11th July 2017
 Qualification Single Elimination (Round of 24, Round of 16 and final round)

DATE: 12th – 13th July 2017
 Main Draw tournament (Pool Play)

DATE: 14th July 2017
 Main Draw Single Elimination (Round of 24 and round of 16)

DATE: 15th July 2017
 Main Draw Quarter Finals and Semi Finals
 Departure of teams knocked out in single elimination round of 24 and 16

DATE: 16th July 2017
 Bronze Final and Final
 Departure of teams knocked out in the Quarter-finals

DATE: 17th July 2017
 Departure of teams in final and semi final

Training courts: Jiangning Beach Park/ 02 courts/ 09:30 – 18:00, available starting from 9th July
 Total # of competition courts: **4 courts**
 Total # of warm-up courts: **2 court**

**PLAYERS'
ELIGIBILITY**

Each Continental Confederation has the right to enter the following number of teams:

Confederation	Main draw	Qualification	Reserve	Total
AVC	5	4	4	14
CAVB	5	4	4	14
CEV	5	4	4	14
CSV	5	4	4	14
NORCECA	5	4	4	14
Total	25	20	20	70

1. It is mandatory for the Continental Confederations to sanction Continental Age Group events to select the teams participating in an FIVB Age Group World Championship.

2. The Continental Confederations will be required to select the best ranked teams per gender through UNDER 21 Continental ranking.

3. In case a Continental Confederation does not have sufficient time to organize the above-mentioned Continental events in 2017, it can use the event ranking of the 2016 season. Should a Continental Confederation not have a ranking of the 2016 season, it may follow the FIVB criteria selection (points A to D – see below).

The FIVB is entitled to request at any time from the Continental Confederations the exact criteria applied to select their respective teams under their quota and to request the results of their events leading towards the selection of the teams.

Therefore, teams will be selected to play in the events in priority as follows: 1. Based on (any eventual) UNDER 21 Continental Championships (or UNDER 21 Continental Tour) event ranking issued before the FIVB Beach Volleyball Under 21 World Championships 2017;

(If point 1 above cannot be applicable) 2. In case the Continental Confederation does not use the entire quota of 5 teams per gender in the main Draw and 4 teams in the qualification, the FIVB may fill the roster of the event through reserve teams (in priority from the top to the bottom) or host countries reserve teams:

A. National Federation hosting FIVB Beach Volleyball SENIOR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS 2017 and FIVB Beach Volleyball 2017 events (in priority 5 STARS, 4 STARS, 3 STARS...);

B. National Federations hosting Challenger and/or Satellite events and/or Continental Cup in the past seasons (in priority 2016, 2015, etc); C. National Federations with the best players featured in the FIVB World Ranking;

D. National Federations promoting continental events at grass roots activities

A. Host Country teams

The Host Country may enter 2 additional teams than the 2 teams in the main draw and list them in the reserve list. If the 24-team roster in the qualification has not been filled, the Organizers may request that additional Host Country teams be allowed to fill the empty spots. This, on the condition that the teams are previously registered on the reserve list and attend the Preliminary Inquiry and Technical Meeting (if applicable).

The FIVB reserves the right if needed to fill the roster of the qualification tournament with teams in the reserve list following the selection criteria (foreign countries in priority followed by host country reserve teams). These teams must have attended the Preliminary Inquiry and Technical Meeting (if applicable). Any costs related to this attendance will be at the charge of the team(s).

WITHDRAWAL

Withdrawals /Change of Athlete

1. Up to the Confirmed NF Entry List

Up to -30 days prior to the start of the event

Before the entry deadline, –30 days prior to the beginning of the tournament, any teams wishing to withdraw from the 2017 FIVB Age Group World Championships and/or change the composition of their team have at any time the possibility to:

- withdraw their team from the tournament through their National Federation;
- alter the composition of their team through their National Federation. Each participating National Federation may at any time delete a team registered in the event through the VIS. Each participating National Federation may also change the composition of a team entered through the VIS. If a team in the Main Draw tournament is withdrawn by its National Federation, the next team as confirmed by its Confederation concerned in the Qualification List will be picked up and advance to the Main Draw. In the meantime, the next team in the reserve list (if applicable) as confirmed by its Confederation concerned will be pick up and advance to the Qualification tournament.
- In the event that a Confederation does not use entirely the quota, the FIVB will reallocate the place(s) to the teams from other Confederations in the Qualification and/or reserve list as per the FIVB criteria defined under 6.2 point 2 A-D.

2. After the Confirmed List (-30 days) up to Monday of the week preceding the event

- Once the confirmed list of teams is issued by the FIVB (-30 days), the FIVB is then the only entity able to withdraw or change a team's composition upon receipt of the duly completed BVB/03 form
- No official withdrawal will be accepted by the FIVB if not requested in time and in writing through the BVB/03 form.
- In case of withdrawal of an athlete entered in an Age Group World Championships event, the National Federation/athletes concerned must inform the FIVB whether the athlete will be substituted or not through the BVB/03 form.
- Medical certificate or proof of "force majeure" is needed within this period of time.

E. Last Minute Withdrawal

(After Monday of the week preceding the event up to - 1 minute before the Preliminary Inquiry of the Qualification Tournament/Main Draw)

Athletes who fail to attend the Preliminary Inquiry and the Technical Meeting (if applicable) of the qualification/main draw tournament will be exempt from any fine only if the National Federation provides to the FIVB via email proof of "force majeure" or a medical certificate related to the withdrawal and/or change of team composition. If a team is withdrawn or a team composition changed after the confirmed list has been sent, a Medical Certificate or other proof of "force majeure" must be provided at the latest during the qualification tournament/main draw Preliminary Inquiry (depending on the position of the team). If no such documentation is provided in due time, the FIVB will apply a USD 500 fine

The FIVB Technical Delegate must notify the FIVB Beach Volleyball department immediately if any such fines must be applied.

The fine must be paid before the start of the next FIVB event in the calendar in which the player/team concerned would like to take part.

If there are no events in the calendar after the event where the fine is issued, the fine must be paid no later than 30 days from the notification of the sanction. Proof of payment must be sent via email to the FIVB. Athletes who have not communicated their travel itineraries to the organizers and who arrive late for the Preliminary Inquiry (i.e. after the seeding is made) will be registered as a no show and automatically withdrawn from the competition by the FIVB Technical Delegate. A fine may also be applied.

Should it be proven that a National Federation is responsible for not communicating to the FIVB a player's medical certificate for their withdrawal from an event, the National Federation shall be fined instead of the player concerned.

No changes to the composition of teams enrolled in the tournament can be made after the completion

<p>PRELIMINARY INQUIRY AND TECHNICAL MEETING</p>	<p>Two Preliminary Inquiry will be conducted. The athletes' attendance at the Preliminary Inquiry is mandatory. Both athletes of the team must present at the Preliminary Inquiry and confirm their presence by signing at the Preliminary Inquiry.</p> <p>DATE & TIME: 10th July / 15:00 to 17:00 Preliminary Inquiry QT Teams (men & women) // mandatory attendance – Main Draw Hotel Technical Meeting QT (drawing of lots) 18:00 to 18:30</p> <p>11th July / 16:00 to 18:00 Preliminary Inquiry Main Draw Teams (men & women) mandatory attendance – Main Draw Hotel Technical Meeting MD (drawing of lots) 18:30 to 19:00</p> <p>Two Technical Meetings will be held. The athletes' attendance at the Technical Meetings is mandatory Only participants with accreditations will be allowed to attend the Technical Meetings. And a drawing of lots will be carried out during the Technical Meetings, in accordance to the Sports Regulations 2017.</p> <p>Finalized seeding list and the match up & additional detailed information on the competition will be distributed on the FIVB website immediately once the seeding list is established, possibly within 1 hour after the completion of the drawing of lots.</p>
<p>UNIFORMS AND ACCESSORIES</p>	<p>If required by the FIVB Technical Delegate, uniforms and accessories will be checked during the Preliminary Inquiry. Athletes of the same team must wear the same colour and style of shorts. The display of the individual players' sponsors' logos on shorts and accessories must comply with the FIVB advertising regulations. While players' tops will be provided by the Organizers to the athletes, shorts/bottoms and accessories must be provided by the players and/or by their sponsors.</p> <p>Uniforms will be provided to the participating teams on court before respective matches.</p> <p>Uniforms will also be provided by the Organizers to Officials Organizing staff members and volunteers.</p>

SEEDING**Seeding of Qualification Tournament**

The seed of the qualification tournament will be determined by their seeding in priority based on points earned at previous edition events. Only the 1st team as confirmed by its NF will have the benefits of the points. If there is a tie of '0' points, the drawing of lots will be conducted to break the tie.

Seeding of Main Draw Tournament

The 28 teams including 2 host country teams, 1 wild card and 25 teams nominated by the Confederations will be seeded from 1-28 as per the below criteria, while the seeds for the teams qualified from the Qualification tournament will be determined by drawing of lots for position 29- 32.

1) Seed #1-28 Seed 1: 1st host country team

Seed 2-7: as per their seeding in priority based on points earned at previous edition events

Seed 8: 2nd host country team

Seed 9-28: as per their seeding in priority based on points earned at previous edition events.

Teams from the same countries will not be placed in the same pool. The 2nd team shall have their seed increased (for example from Seed #10 to seed #11) until the team is in a different pool than the 1st team of the same country. Should increasing the seed not work (or not be possible), then the seed is reduced (for example from Seed #28 reduced to Seed #27) until the teams from the same countries are placed in different pools.

In case there is '0' point, the following drawing of lots will be conducted to determine the seeding of the teams:

Draw 1: Among the 1st teams of the countries in the Main Draw tournament nominated by the National Federations.

Draw 2: Among the 2nd teams of the countries nominated by the National Federations.

2) Seed #29-32

Draw: among all the teams qualify to the Main Draw from the Qualification tournament.

Note:

In case there are more spots open in the Main Draw tournament due to the last-minute withdrawals of the teams after the start of the Qualification Tournament Preliminary Inquiry, the lucky losers draw from the Qualification tournament will always be placed at the bottom of the seed regardless.

The sequence they are picked up in the lucky loser draw will determine their seeds in the Main Draw, i.e. the last one to be drawn will be seed 32, the second to the last one to be drawn will be seed 31, the third to the last one to be drawn will be seed 30, etc.

Teams from the same countries will not be placed in the same pool. The 2nd team shall always have their seed increased (example from Seed #30 to Seed #31) until the team is a different pool than the 1st team of the same country. Should increasing the seed not work (or not possible), then the seed is reduced (for example from Seed #32 reduced to Seed #31) until they are placed in different pools.

Women's Teams and Men's Teams

Pool A	Pool B	Pool C	Pool D	Pool E	Pool F	Pool G	Pool H
Seed #1	Seed #2	Seed #3	Seed #4	Seed #5	Seed #6	Seed #7	Seed #8
Seed #16	Seed #15	Seed #14	Seed #13	Seed #12	Seed #11	Seed #10	Seed #9
Seed #17	Seed #18	Seed #19	Seed #20	Seed #21	Seed #22	Seed #23	Seed #24
Seed #32	Seed #31	Seed #30	Seed #29	Seed #28	Seed #27	Seed #26	Seed #25

For more details, please refer to the section 6.3 of 2017 FIVB U21 World Championships Handbook.

COACHING

Coaches must be accredited during the Preliminary Inquiry.

For all matters relating to coaching please refer to the Age Group Handbook p.116

http://www.fivb.org/EN/BeachVolleyball/Document/2017_Age_Group_WCHS_HANDBOOK_v11.pdf

<p>RULES OF THE GAME AND OFFICIAL BALL</p>	<p><u>Playing system</u></p> <p>Rally Point System 2 out of 3 sets as follows:</p> <p>a) First and second sets</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 21 Points - switch every 7 points - one technical time-out of 30" at third court switch (sum of 21 points) - one time-out of 30" per team/set <p>b) Third eventual set</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15 points • switch every 5 points • one time-out per team <p>All sets win by 2 points Intervals between sets to be of 1 minute</p> <p>Official Ball: NEW MIKASA VLS-300 (67 cm +1/-1)</p>
<p>WELCOME AND LOCAL TRANSPORTATION</p>	<p>Airport: Nanjing International Airport Distance from airport to venue: 50 KM</p> <p>TRANSPORTATION FROM/ TO AIRPORT FOR MAIN DRAW ATHLETES WILL BE PROVIDED BY ORGANIZER.</p> <p>Please send your flight itinerary at least 2 days before your arrival to the organizer:</p> <p>Name: Ms. Yu Jiali (Viola) Email: yingyuviola@163.com Tel: +86 15805159212</p> <p>Urgency number for Airport Pick-up: Ms. Yu Jiali (Viola), mobile: +86 15805159212</p> <p>The travel form (BVB/31 – Athletes & BVB/31b - Delegation) has to be sent to the Organizer at the latest three days before the start of the event. Please find the form via the following link:</p> <p>http://www.fivb.org/EN/BeachVolleyball/Forms.asp</p>
<p>TRANSPORTATION</p>	<p>Main Draw athletes will be eligible free of charge for all local transportation to/from the airport through the Event Organisers.</p> <p>Athletes (or their National Federations) will be requested to apply early enough for their entry visas, whenever needed and will be accountable for all visa expenses.</p> <p>For any coaches, team officials accompanying the teams, the organizer will charge the cost as below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - From Nanjing Lukou International Airport: 50 USD per person.

BOARD AND LODGING	<p>The organizers will provide the Main Draw teams with hotel accommodation (double room) in the Organizer's designated Hotel and with meals from the evening before the start of the Main Draw until the day after the elimination of the teams from the event, breakfast included.</p> <p>Athletes will be personally responsible for all extras at the hotel such as mini-bar, phone calls, laundry, etc. to be paid upon checkout.</p> <p>The organizers will not be required to make reservations for coaches, guests, teams' physiotherapists, friends, or family members accompanying the participating athletes.</p> <p>The FIVB strongly recommends that the organizers accommodate athletes in different hotels than the hotel for the FIVB officials and referees.</p> <p>For room inquiry please email to :- Name: Ms. Yu Jiali (Viola) Email: yingyuviola@163.com Tel: +86 15805159212 The cost will be 110 USD per day (including the breakfast).</p>
MAIN DRAW HOTEL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Nanjing Tangshan Easpring Resort - 8 Wenquan Road (Wenquan Lu), Tangshan Town, Jiangning Dist. Nanjing, China
HOTEL FOR THE FIVB OFFICIALS, NEUTRAL INTERNATIONAL REFEREES, ETC.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Nanjing Tangshan Easpring Resort - 8 Wenquan Road (Wenquan Lu), Tangshan Town, Jiangning Dist. Nanjing, China
ACCREDITATION	<p>Organizers will provide all Organizing Committee members, FIVB Officials, referees, athletes, VIPs, journalists, technical staff, court personnel, volunteers, etc. with an official accreditation card and will ensure that only people with appropriate accreditation will access the designated venue areas.</p> <p>Organizers are also requested to provide accreditation cards for one coach and one physiotherapist per team. The appropriate forms (for coaches and physiotherapists) are available at the following link: http://www.fivb.org/EN/BeachVolleyball/Forms.asp</p>
LATE ARRIVAL AND NO SHOW	<p>If a team or player is confirmed absent from the Preliminary Inquiry by the Technical Delegate, a fine will be issued (sent to the respective NF) in the amount of USD 100 (qualification tournament) or USD 200 (main draw tournament) per player. The following two examples are aimed at providing more clarity on the procedures used to determine if a team/player is disqualified from the tournament if they do not attend the Preliminary Inquiry.</p> <p>Example #1: An entire team or one player from the team is missing from the main draw Preliminary Inquiry, but was witnessed to be present at the venue, or has checked into the hotel (Technical Delegate has other relevant information that this team is present at the event, but not in the meeting). No withdrawal information was received by the FIVB or Technical Delegate in due time. In this case, the team will be considered entered in the tournament, but will be fined the appropriate amount for their absence at the meeting. If the team or player does not report to their first match in the relevant tournament, it will be considered a forfeited match.</p> <p>Example #2: An entire team or one player from the team is missing from the main draw Preliminary Inquiry, and was NOT witnessed by any other person (e.g. Technical Delegate, players, coaches, other team delegates from that country, etc.) to be present at the venue, and has not checked into the hotel. No withdrawal information was received by the FIVB or Technical Delegate in due time. In this case, after exhausting any possible method to determine if the team or player(s) are present, the team will be disqualified from the tournament. The same amount of fine as per last minute withdrawal will also be implemented.</p>
INSURANCE	<p>Athletes must have their own liability and medical insurance.</p>
MEDICAL CONTROLS	<p>The FIVB reserves the right to perform random medical controls on the participating athletes and alcohol tests on the officials, as per FIVB rules and regulations.</p>

APPENDIX	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Official invitation letter to be addressed to the participating FIVB officials and National Federations • Confirmed NF Entry List (Main Draw, Qualification tournaments and teams in the Reserve) • List of hotels for the Qualification Tournament players (if applicable), media and guests (see website) • Travel Itinerary Form (BVB/31 and BVB/31b). <p>It is the responsibility of the athletes to inform the Promoters concerned about his/her travel itinerary accordingly.</p>
OTHER	<p>For any eventual discrepancies, the 2017 version of the FIVB Beach Volleyball Sport Regulations and the 2017 FIVB Beach Volleyball Age Group Handbook will prevail: http://www.fivb.org/EN/BeachVolleyball/Document/2017_Age_Group_WCHS_HANDBOOK_v11.pdf</p>