



**2017/2018 FIVB BEACH VOLLEYBALL WORLD TOUR HUNTINGTON  
 BEACH OPEN 4 STAR IN HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA, USA**



**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 email.*

Promoter Website

<https://avp.com/>

<https://avp.com/event/huntington-beach-open/>

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/avpbeach/>

<https://www.facebook.com/events/2027084284174712/>

@avpbeach

Instagram:

<https://www.instagram.com/avpbeach/>

@avpbeach

Twitter:

<https://twitter.com/avpbeach>

@avpbeach

YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/avpbeach>

FIVB Web site link to the event:

<http://worldtour.2018.fivb.com/en/572>

<b>PROMOTER</b>	Address: 1300 Quail St. #200, Newport Beach, CA 92660
	Contact Person: Jasmine Tong
	Mobile Number: (714) 882-9696
	Emergency mobile number:
	Email address: jtong@avp.com
Company's Website: avp.com	

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	Mobile Number: (310) 975-3930
	Emergency mobile number
	Email address: sean.scott@usav.org
National Federation Website: <a href="https://www.teamusa.org/USA-Volleyball">https://www.teamusa.org/USA-Volleyball</a>	

<b>Event Office</b>	Address: 1300 Quail St. #200, Newport Beach, CA 92660
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<b>MAIN CONTACT FOR THE PLAYERS</b>	Contact Person: Jeff Conover
	Mobile Number: (949) 679-3599
	Emergency mobile number
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## ORGANISING COMMITTEE

ORGANISING COMMITTEE	LAST NAME/FIRST NAME	MOBILE	EMAIL
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Photographer	Mpu Dinani	(909) 772-2153	mpu@agamephotography.com

## FIVB DELEGATES

ROLE	NAME AND NATIONALITY	EMAIL	LOCAL MOBILE NUMBER
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Referee Delegate	Andre Trottier (CAN)	<a href="mailto:trottiera@csduroy.qc.ca">trottiera@csduroy.qc.ca</a>	
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## VENUE

<https://www.google.com/maps/place/Huntington+Beach+Pier,+Huntington+Beach,+CA+92648/@33.6549067,-118.0065637,17z/data=!3m1!4b1!4m5!3m4!1s0x80dd214286f7ed4d:0x6854c0c75aef16c518m2!3d33.6549067!4d-118.004375>

Huntington Beach Pier  
Huntington Beach, CA 92648

## Training courts

Number of training courts	6
Address	Huntington Beach Pier, Huntington Beach, CA 92648
Availability Date	April 30, 2018
Contact person for booking the courts	Jasmine Tong, jtong@avp.com

## COMPETITION SCHEDULE AND FORMAT

**Main Draw (3rd – 6th May):** 48 teams per gender played in double elimination including:

- 23 International teams directly in the Main Draw as per FIVB entry points (respecting the current FIVB regulations of country quota)
- 2 wild cards
- 8 teams from the Qualification tournament
- 15 teams from USA

**Qualification:** played in single elimination format of max 48 to qualify 8 teams to the Main Draw.

In the Qualification tournament, max 32 foreign teams direct in the QT as per FIVB entry points (respecting the current FIVB regulations of country quota), joined by additional 16 teams to be played in open single elimination bracket as Pre-Qualifier phase (held the day before the Qualification tournament) with any teams (USA or abroad) who wants to register to play. Should there be less than 32 foreign teams directly in the Qualification Tournament, the actual number will be kept, and no additional teams will be picked up from losers of the Pre-Qualification Phase.

- Pre-Qualifier Phase (1st May): open single elimination bracket to qualify 16 teams per gender to the final phase of Qualification tournament. Any foreign teams outside of the max country quota can play in the Pre-Qualification Phase.
- Final Phase of Qualification tournament (2nd May): Max 48 teams per gender played in single elimination to qualify 8 teams per gender to the Main Draw.

No Country Quota Playoff is applicable in this event.

\*The Huntington Beach 4-star will strictly follow FIVB Rules of Games, as well as the FIVB Beach Volleyball regulations on entry and seeding points calculation (for all teams).

In addition, for the entry and seeding for the USA teams the following principal will apply:

1. FIVB entry point/ Seeding points;
2. If there is a tie, the FIVB Technical Points will be used to break the tie;
3. If teams have "0" points, the AVP ranking points will be used among the teams with "0" points to establish the ranking.

The Mikasa VLS300 official FIVB Beach Volleyball will be used.

### Pre- Qualification

Gender	Number of teams in Qualification	Number of teams advancing to Qualification	Qualification format
Men	Unlimited	16	Single Elimination Brackets
Women	Unlimited	16	Single Elimination Brackets

### Qualification

Gender	Number of teams in Qualification	Number of teams advancing to Main Draw	Qualification format
Men	Max 48	8	Single Elimination Brackets
Women	Max 48	8	Single Elimination Brackets

### Main Draw

Gender	Number of teams in Main Draw	Competition format for Main Draw
Men	48	Double Elimination Brackets
Women	48	Double Elimination Brackets

Competition Phase	Date for Women	Date for Men
Pre-Qualification Phase	May 1 <sup>st</sup>	May 1 <sup>st</sup>
Final Phase of Qualification Tournament	May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	May 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Main Draw Tournament	May 3 <sup>rd</sup> – May 6 <sup>th</sup>	May 3 <sup>rd</sup> – May 6 <sup>th</sup>
Semi-Finals	May 6 <sup>th</sup>	May 6 <sup>th</sup>
Finals	May 6 <sup>th</sup>	May 6 <sup>th</sup>

## WOMEN'S SCHEDULE

	DATE	TIME (Approx.)	LOCATION
Latest arrival of Pre-Qualification Phase Teams	April 30	17:00	
Preliminary Inquiry Pre-Qualification Phase Teams (Mandatory Attendance)	April 30	15:00-17:00	Ticketing Office
Pre-Qualification Phase Tournament	May 1	8:00-20:00	All courts
Departure of teams knocked in the Pre-Qualification Phase	May 2		
Latest arrival of Final Phase of Qualification Tournament Teams	May 1	15:00	
Preliminary Inquiry for Final Phase of Qualification Tournament Teams (Mandatory Attendance)	May 1	13:00-15:00	Ticketing Office
Final Phase of Qualification Tournament	May 2	8:00-20:00	All courts
Departure of teams knocked out in the Final Phase of Qualification Tournament	May 3		
Latest arrival of Main Draw Teams	May 2	17:00	
Preliminary Inquiry Main Draw teams (Mandatory Attendance)	May 2	15:00-17:00	Ticketing Office
Main Draw Tournament	May 3-May 6	9:00-18:00	All courts
Quarter Finals	May 5	9:00-18:00	All courts
Semi-Finals	May 6	9:00-16:00	Stadium Court
Finals	May 6	16:00-18:00	Stadium Court

Departure of Main Draw teams will be the day after elimination of the team from the tournament.

## MEN'S SCHEDULE

	DATE	TIME (Approx.)	LOCATION
Latest arrival of Pre-Qualification Phase Teams	April 30	17:00	
Preliminary Inquiry Pre-Qualification Phase Teams (Mandatory Attendance)	April 30	15:00-17:00	Ticketing Office
Pre-Qualification Phase Tournament	May 1	8:00-20:00	All courts
Departure of teams knocked in the Pre-Qualification Phase	May 2		
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Preliminary Inquiry for Final Phase of Qualification Tournament Teams (Mandatory Attendance)	May 1	13:00-15:00	Ticketing Office
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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 Preliminary Inquiry or eventually after the drawing of lots (if applicable).

## RANKING (PER ATHLETE)

<b>Rank</b>	<b>Huntington Beach 4 Stars</b>
1st	400
2nd	360
3rd	320
4th	280
5th	240
7th	220
9th	170
13th	150
17th	130
25th	90
33rd	50
49th	16
57th	12
73st	8
89th	6

### **Note:**

- FIVB ranking points are awarded per gender to the top 6 teams ranked teams per National Federation (for both USA & International teams). The 7th and lower ranked teams per National Federation will not earn FIVB ranking points.

- FIVB ranking points obtained from Huntington Beach 4-star will only be calculated for entry and seeding purpose if they will be beneficial for the players (i.e. improve the teams' entry and seeding points).

## PRIZE MONEY (PER TEAM)

For an event offering USD 150,000, the following breakdown applies (per gender in USD):

<b>Rank</b>	<b>Number of teams</b>	<b>Prize Money Breakdown per team</b>	<b>Prize Money Breakdown per Rank Place</b>
1st	X 1	20000	20000
2nd	X 1	16000	16000
3rd	X 1	10000	10000
4th	X 1	8000	8000
5th	X 2	7000	14000
7th	X 2	5000	10000
9th	X 4	4000	16000
13th	X 4	3000	12000
17th	X 8	2000	16000
25th	X 8	1500	12000
33rd	X 16	1000	16000
			<b>Total PM 150,000</b>

### **FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour 4 Stars Huntington Beach Open presented by AVP**

The Prize Money of the event will be paid by the FIVB to the athletes (via bank transfer) as per the below chart:

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Payment due date</b>
Huntington Beach Open	May 1 <sup>st</sup> to May 6 <sup>th</sup>	May 21 <sup>st</sup>

**Note:**

If Prize Money is paid by the FIVB or promoter via bank transfer, in case of unsuccessful payment, after three (3) attempts to contact the athlete, the FIVB Finance Department will send an official letter (to the NF and to the athlete) to inform them of the money transfer to the respective NF that will be debited within the following 5-10 days. In case of no response, the athlete's VISASP account is then debited and the FIVB Finance Department informs the FIVB IT Department to book the payment in VISASP.

The athlete is responsible for paying the relevant taxes for his/her earnings in his/her own country and he/she must update both his/her bank account details and his/her personal information at the beginning of the contract year through the FIVB Beach Volleyball web based system.

The tax at source might be implemented as per the fiscal regulations/laws in the countries where the tournament is held.

## WELCOME AND LOCAL TRANSPORTATION

### **Arrivals (LAX to Hilton Waterfront)**

**Pickup on:**

- Sunday, April 29  
Pickup every hour at LAX
- Monday, April 30  
Pickup every hour at LAX
- Tuesday, May 1  
Pickup every 3 hours at LAX
- Wednesday, May 2  
Pickup every 3 hours at LAX  
(15 passenger mini coach each day)

**\*2 staff members at pickup location (Tom Bradley International Terminal) at LAX**  
(Hospitality services in shuttle (snacks/bev))

**Transport cost for the qualification players, team staff:**

- UD\$25 cash charge for teams not on the Main Draw and Team Staff/ Delegation.
- Shuttle rides begin on 4/29. Shuttle service will not be provided for arrivals prior to the 29th. Assistance can be provided for those arriving before the 29th by calling (714) 882-9696.

### **Departures (Hilton Waterfront to LAX)**

**Pickup on:**

- Friday, May 4  
23 passenger mini coach
  - Saturday, May 5  
35 passenger mini coach
  - Sunday, May 6  
15 passenger mini coach
  - Monday, May 7  
15 passenger mini coach
- \*3 set pick-up times each day (To be coordinated in the Players Hotel)

\* More pick-up may be arranged depending on the Flight schedule.

**Transport cost for the qualification players, team staff:**

- UD\$25 cash charge for teams not on the Main Draw and Team Staff/ Delegation.

Closest Airport (only airport with transportation): Los Angeles International Airport (LAX)

Distance from airport to venue: 37.5 miles

**Contact Name:**

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Jasmine Tong	+1(949) 679-3599	<a href="mailto:jtong@avp.com">jtong@avp.com</a>

Organizer will provide local transportation (airport transport and hotel-venue) for all Main Draw players.

The travel forms (BVB/31 – Athletes & BVB/31b - Delegation) have to be sent to the Organizer latest three days before the start of the event. Please find the form via the following link:

<http://www.fivb.org/EN/BeachVolleyball/Forms.asp>

## BOARD AND LODGING

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.

Athletes will be personally responsible for all extras at the hotel such as mini-bar, phone calls, laundry, etc. to be paid upon checkout.

Organizers will not be required to make reservations for coaches, guests, teams' physiotherapists, friends, or family members accompanying the participating athletes.

The FIVB strongly recommends that the organizers accommodate athletes in different hotels than the hotel for the FIVB officials and referees.

## MAIN DRAW HOTEL

**HOTEL** Hilton Waterfront Beach Resort  
**ADDRESS** 21100 Pacific Coast Highway, Huntington Beach, CA 92648  
**WEBSITE** <http://www.waterfrontresort.com/>  
**MAIN CONTACT PERSON (EMAIL & PHONE):** Lexi Mills, (909) 260-1106, [amills@avp.com](mailto:amills@avp.com)

## HOTEL FOR THE FIVB OFFICIALS

**HOTEL** Hilton Waterfront Beach Resort  
**ADDRESS** 21100 Pacific Coast Highway, Huntington Beach, CA 92648  
**WEBSITE** <http://www.waterfrontresort.com/>  
**MAIN CONTACT PERSON (EMAIL & PHONE):** Lexi Mills, (909) 260-1106, [amills@avp.com](mailto:amills@avp.com)

## HOTEL FOR NEUTRAL & INTERNATIONAL REFEREES, ETC.

**HOTEL** Comfort Suites Huntington Beach  
**ADDRESS** 16301 Beach Blvd, Huntington Beach, CA 92647  
**WEBSITE** <https://www.comfortsuiteshuntingtonbeach.com/>  
**MAIN CONTACT PERSON (EMAIL & PHONE)** Lexi Mills, (909) 260-1106, [amills@avp.com](mailto:amills@avp.com)

## VISA

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. For any inquiry regarding your visa application and invitation letter, please contact:

**Contact Name:** Sean Scott, Director, USAV Beach National Programs  
**Email:** [sean.scott@usav.org](mailto:sean.scott@usav.org)  
**Mobile number:** (310) 975-3930

## WITHDRAWAL

We strongly suggest you read the Sport Regulations regarding the rules, regulations and fines applied for the withdrawals at [http://www.fivb.org/EN/BeachVolleyball/Document/2018/2018\\_FIVB\\_BVB\\_Sports\\_Regulations\\_V.14.03.2018.pdf](http://www.fivb.org/EN/BeachVolleyball/Document/2018/2018_FIVB_BVB_Sports_Regulations_V.14.03.2018.pdf)

Non-compliance to the regulations will be subject to the fines and sanctions as per the Sports Regulations.

\*However, no sanction or fine will be applied for the teams in the Pre-Qualification phase.

## SEEDING

The Entry and Seeding for the FIVB Huntington Beach 4 Stars will follow the FIVB Beach Volleyball Sports Regulations for all teams.

In addition, for the entry and seeding for the USA teams the following principal will apply:

1. FIVB entry point/ Seeding Points;
2. If there is a tie, the FIVB Technical Points will be used to break the tie;
3. If teams have "0" points, the AVP ranking points will be used among the teams with "0" points to establish the ranking.

Please refer to the Sports Regulation for information regarding the Seeding regulation of each category at :  
[http://www.fivb.org/EN/BeachVolleyball/Document/2018/2018\\_FIVB\\_BVB\\_Sports\\_Regulations\\_V.14.03.2018.pdf](http://www.fivb.org/EN/BeachVolleyball/Document/2018/2018_FIVB_BVB_Sports_Regulations_V.14.03.2018.pdf)

## NO SHOWS

Detailed information regarding the No Show and related fines is available in the Sport Regulations at  
[http://www.fivb.org/EN/BeachVolleyball/Document/2018/2018\\_FIVB\\_BVB\\_Sports\\_Regulations\\_V.14.03.2018.pdf](http://www.fivb.org/EN/BeachVolleyball/Document/2018/2018_FIVB_BVB_Sports_Regulations_V.14.03.2018.pdf)

## LATE ARRIVAL

Detailed information regarding the late arrivals and related fines is available in the Sport Regulations at  
[http://www.fivb.org/EN/BeachVolleyball/Document/2018/2018\\_FIVB\\_BVB\\_Sports\\_Regulations\\_V.14.03.2018.pdf](http://www.fivb.org/EN/BeachVolleyball/Document/2018/2018_FIVB_BVB_Sports_Regulations_V.14.03.2018.pdf)

## PLAYERS' ELIGIBILITY

All athletes participating in an FIVB beach volleyball sanctioned event must:

- Hold the citizenship of the country they represent;
- Register with their respective NF;
- Register with the FIVB through their respective NF;
- Submit the 2017-2018 Beach Volleyball NF-Athlete's Commitment (BVB-01) signed by the NF and the athlete minimum 30 days before the first event's participation in 2017-2018 season;
- Submit an annual health certificate (BVB-10) minimum 30 days before the first event's participation in 2017/2018 season.
- Undertake the FIVB Anti-Doping education program "Play clean!" For further information, please access FIVB online Anti-Doping education program here: <http://www.fivb.org/RealWinner>
- Complete and modify his/her personal data (such as his/her exact coordinates, bank account information, etc.) through the FIVB beach volleyball Web based application system (<http://www.fivb.org/visasp>)

## UNIFORM AND ACCESSORIES

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.

Uniforms will also be provided by the Organizers to Officials, Organizing staff members, and volunteers.

For information on uniform regulations please refer to Chapter 4 of the 2016 FIVB Beach Volleyball Sport Regulations.

## ACCREDITATION

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.

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>

## INSURANCE

Athletes must have their own liability and medical insurance.



## MEDICAL CONTROLS

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

## APPENDIX

- Official invitation letter to be addressed to the participating FIVB officials and National Federations
- Confirmed Entry List (Main Draw, Qualification tournaments and teams in the Reserve)
- Travel Itinerary Form (BVB/31 and BVB/31b).

**Athletes are responsible to inform the organizer concerned about their travel itinerary.**

## OTHER

For any eventual discrepancies, the 2018 version of the FIVB Beach Volleyball Sport Regulations and the 2018 FIVB Beach Volleyball Handbook will prevail.

### Payment Procedure for the Pre-Qualification Phase:

- Any team registered in the Pre-Qualification Phase shall pay a registration fee of US\$ 100 per player, via online payment.
- Link for payment: <https://avp.regfox.com/2018-team-huntington-phase1>
- Failure of the team to complete the payment process by minus ten days (-10 days) before the start of the tournament, will result in the withdrawal from the event, however no further fines or sanctions will be applied.
- For any inquiries regarding the payment process, please contact Mr. Jeff Conover at: [jconover@avp.com](mailto:jconover@avp.com) or +1(619) 929-1485.