

AVC Continental Cup (2018-2020) Competition Scheme

1. Match Format

The Beach Volleyball Continental Cup is played in a NF vs. NF format and each NF is represented by two (2) teams per gender.

In addition, the AVC Continental Cup (2018-2020) is played with the following match format:

- Best out of 3 matches.
- A golden match will be played for the deciding match (if any).

2. Competition Phase

The AVC Continental Cup (2018-2020) is played in three (3) phases as following:

- 1st Phase: January – December 2019
(Exact competition date of each event to be announced by AVC by 31 March 2019)
- 2nd Phase: January- May 2020
(Exact competition date of each event to be announced by AVC by 31 October 2019)
- 3rd Phase (AVC Continental Cup Final): the week of 22nd – 28th June 2020

3. Competition Scheme

The competition scheme and progression of the AVC Continental Cup (2018-2020) is as following:

3.1 1st phase

- Five (5) pools of double gender events with eight (8) NFs for men and six (6) NFs for women per event. The exact number of NFs per gender will be confirmed at a later stage (31st March 2019). Single gender events can also be organized if necessary.
- After completion of each event, the 1st ranked NF each gender per event will advance to the 3rd phase of the AVC Continental Cup (2018-2020).
- After completion of each event, the 2nd ranked NF each gender per event will advance to the 2nd phase of the AVC Continental Cup (2018-2020).
- Distribution of NFs in each event will follow the AVC Regulations.

3.2 2nd phase

The competition scheme of the 2nd phase of the AVC Continental Cup (2018-2020) will be as following:

- One (1) pool of double gender events with six (6) NFs each gender per event, comprising of the host NF (if not yet qualified) plus five (5) NFs advancing from 1st phase;
- After completion of each event, the 1st ranked NF each gender per event will advance to the 3rd phase of the AVC Continental Cup (2018-2020), i.e. the AVC Continental Cup Final.

- Distribution of NFs in each event will follow the AVC Regulations.
- In case the host NF already qualify through 1st phase to the 2nd phase, such quota place is reallocated to the next best ranked NF of the gender event from the pool concerned.

3.3 3rd phase (AVC Continental Cup Final)

- One (1) double gender event with eight (8) NFs per gender, comprising of the host NF plus one (1) NF of 2016 AVC Continental Cup Champion, five (5) NFs advancing from 1st phase, and one (1) NF advancing from 2nd phase;
**Note: In case there is only four (4) pools of women and/or men tournaments in the 1st phase, the 2nd ranked NF of such gender(s) from 2nd phase will qualify to 3rd phase.*
- The winning NF of the AVC Continental Cup Final will obtain for its NOC the quota place to the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games, providing that the athlete's eligibility requirement is respected as per with the Olympic qualification system approved by IOC.
- The seeding methodology will follow the AVC regulations.

4. Competition Format

4.1 1st phase

For the 1st phase of the AVC Continental Cup (2018-2020), the standard single elimination format will be adopted. The seeding of each NF is based on the AVC Beach Tour NF Ranking commencing from 1 September 2018.

4.2 2nd phase

For the 2nd phase of the AVC Continental Cup (2018-2020), the standard single elimination format will be adopted. The seeding of each NF is based on the AVC Beach Tour NF Ranking commencing from 1 September 2018.

4.4 3rd phase (AVC Continental Cup Final)

The AVC Continental Cup Final will be played with eight (8) NFs, in standard single elimination format.

The seeding methodology will follow the AVC regulations.

5. Participation Restrictions

5.1 1st phase

- The NF of AVC Continental Cup (2014-2016) Champion per gender will advance directly to the 3rd phase without participating in the 1st phase.

5.2 2nd phase

- The NF of AVC Continental Cup (2014-2016) Champion per gender will advance directly to the 3rd phase without participating in the 2nd phase.
- As per the IOC Qualification system circulated in April 2018, an athlete can earn a maximum of one (1) quota place for his/her NOC/NF to the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020. Any athlete(s) already secured a quota place for their NOCs/NFs are not allowed to participate in the 2nd phase and therefore benefit their NFs.
- In addition to the above, in case any NF that has already obtained maximum of two (2) quota places through other Olympic qualification pathways before the start of the

2nd phase, will not be able to play in the 2nd phase and shall be replaced by the next eligible NF accordingly.

5.3 3rd phase (AVC Continental Cup Final)

- An athlete having already earned one (1) quota place for its NOC/NF through the FIVB Beach Volleyball Olympic Qualification Tournament, the 2019 FIVB Beach Volleyball Senior World Championships or the Olympic Ranking List established on 15th June 2020 will not be eligible to compete in the 3rd phase (i.e. AVC Continental Cup Final).
- NOCs/NFs which have already obtained two (2) quota places as per the FIVB Beach Volleyball Olympic Qualification Tournament, the 2019 FIVB Beach Volleyball Senior World Championships or the Olympic Ranking List of 15th of June 2020 will not compete in the 3rd phase (i.e. AVC Continental Cup Final). They will be replaced by the next eligible NOC/NF in the 2nd phase.

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CAVB Continental Cup (2018-2020) Competition Scheme

1. Match Format

The Beach Volleyball Continental Cup is played in a NF vs. NF format and each NF is represented by two (2) teams per gender.

In addition, the CAVB Continental Cup (2018-2020) is played with the following match format:

- Best out of three (3) matches
- A golden set will be played for the deciding match (if any).

2. Competition Phase

The CAVB Continental Cup (2018-2020) is played in three (3) phases as following:

- 1st Phase: January – April (TBC) in 2019
(in progress, exact competition period to be announced by CAVB by December 2018, and the exact competition date and location to be announced by CAVB no later than 60 days before the start of the first event of 1st phase)
- 2nd Phase: May – November (TBC) in 2019
(in progress, exact competition period to be announced by CAVB by December 2018, and the exact competition date and location to be announced by CAVB no later than 60 days before the start of the first event of 2nd phase)
- 3rd Phase (CAVB Continental Cup Final): the week of 22nd – 28th June 2020

3. Competition Scheme

The competition scheme and progression of the CAVB Continental Cup (2018-2020) is as following:

3.1 1st phase

- Twelve (12) pools of double gender events with four (4) to five (5) NFs each gender per event. Single gender events can also be organized if necessary.
- After completion of each event, the 1st and 2nd ranked NFs each gender per event will advance to the 2nd phase of the CAVB Continental Cup (2018-2020).
- Distribution of NFs in each event will follow the CAVB Regulations and is scheduled to be announced by December 2018.

3.2 2nd phase

The competition scheme of the 2nd phase of the CAVB Continental Cup (2018-2020) is still in progress and will be either one of the below options. The scheme will be confirmed and announced by CAVB November 2018.

Option One:

- Four (4) pools of double gender events with six (6) NFs each gender per event. Single gender events can also be organized if necessary.
- After completion of each event, the 1st and 2nd ranked NFs each gender per event will advance to the 3rd phase of the CAVB Continental Cup (2018-2020), i.e. the CAVB Continental Cup Final.
- Distribution of NFs in each event will follow the CAVB Regulations and is scheduled to be announced by CAVB at later stage.

Option Two:

- One (1) double gender event (which will be the 1st African Beach Games) with twenty-four (24) NFs each gender per event;
- After completion of each event, the top seven (7) ranked NFs each gender per event will advance to the 3rd phase of the CAVB Continental Cup (2018-2020), i.e. the CAVB Continental Cup Final.
- The seeding methodology will follow the CAVB regulations.

3.3 3rd phase (CAVB Continental Cup Final)

- Two (2) single gender events with eight (8) NFs per gender, comprising of the host NF plus seven (7) NFs advancing from 2nd phase;
- The winning NF of the CAVB Continental Cup Final will obtain for its NOC the quota place to the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games, providing that the athlete's eligibility requirement is respected as per with the Olympic qualification system approved by IOC.
- The seeding methodology will follow the CAVB regulations.

4. Competition Format**4.1 1st phase**

For the 1st phase of the CAVB Continental Cup (2018-2020), the standard single round robin format will be adopted, regardless of the number of NFs in each event.

4.2 2nd phase

Depending on the option confirmed by the CAVB for the 2nd phase, different competition format will be adopted by CAVB and will be announced by CAVB at a later stage.

- If there will be six (6) NFs per gender in the event, the standard single round robin format will be adopted;
- If there will be twenty-four (24) NFs per gender in the event, the exact competition format will follow CAVB Regulations and will be announced by CAVB at a later stage.

4.3 3rd phase (CAVB Continental Cup Final)

The CAVB Continental Cup Final will be played with eight (8) NFs.

The seeding methodology and competition format will follow the CAVB regulations. Further information on the competition format will be confirmed and announced by CAVB by November 2018.

5. Participation Restrictions

5.1 1st phase

- There is no specific restriction for the 1st phase.

5.2 2nd phase

- As per the IOC Qualification system circulated in April 2018, an athlete can earn a maximum of one (1) quota place for his/her NOC/NF to the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020. Any athlete(s) already secured a quota place for their NOCs/NFs are not allowed to participate in the 2nd phase and therefore benefit their NFs.
- In addition to the above, in case any NF that has already obtained maximum of two (2) quota places through other Olympic qualification pathways before the start of the 2nd phase, will not be able to play in the 2nd phase and shall be replaced by the next eligible NF accordingly.

5.3 3rd phase (CAVB Continental Cup Final)

- An athlete having already earned one (1) quota place for its NOC/NF through the FIVB Beach Volleyball Olympic Qualification Tournament, the 2019 FIVB Beach Volleyball Senior World Championships or the Olympic Ranking List established on 15th June 2020 will not be eligible to compete in the 3rd phase (i.e. CAVB Continental Cup Final).
- NOCs/NFs which have already obtained two (2) quota places as per the FIVB Beach Volleyball Olympic Qualification Tournament, the 2019 FIVB Beach Volleyball Senior World Championships or the Olympic Ranking List of 15th of June 2020 will not compete in the 3rd phase (i.e. CAVB Continental Cup Final). They will be replaced by the next eligible NOC/NF in the 2nd phase.

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CEV Continental Cup (2018-2020) Competition Scheme

1. Match Format

The Beach Volleyball Continental Cup is played in a NF vs. NF format and each NF is represented by two (2) teams per gender.

In addition, the CEV Continental Cup (2018-2020) is played with the following match format:

- Best out of three (3) matches;
- A golden match will be played for the deciding match (if any).

2. Competition Phase

The CEV Continental Cup (2018-2020) is played in three (3) phases as following:

- 1st Phase: May/June 2019
(exact competition date of each event to be announced by CEV by December 2018)
- 2nd Phase: May 2020
(exact competition date of each event to be announced by CEV by November 2019)
- 3rd Phase (CEV Continental Cup Final): the week of 22nd – 28th June 2020

3. Competition Scheme

The competition scheme and progression of the CEV Continental Cup (2018-2020) is as following:

3.1 1st phase

- Eight (8) pools of double gender events with three (3) to five (5) NFs each gender per event;
- After completion of each event, the 1st and 2nd ranked NFs each gender per event will advance to the 2nd phase of the CEV Continental Cup (2018-2020).
- Distribution of NFs in each event will follow the CEV NF Ranking and will be determined by a Drawing of lots, scheduled to be conducted by December 2018.

3.2 2nd phase

The competition scheme of the 2nd phase of the CEV Continental Cup (2018-2020) is still in progress and will be either one of the below options:

Option One:

- Six (6) pools of double gender events with four (4) NFs each gender per event;
- After completion of each event, the 1st, 2nd and three (3) best 3rd ranked NFs each gender per event will advance to the 3rd phase of the CEV Continental Cup (2018-2020), i.e. the CEV Continental Cup Final.
**Note: The criteria to select three (3) best 3rd ranked NFs will be announced by CEV prior to the commence of Phase 1.*
- Distribution of NFs in each event will follow the CEV NF Ranking (top 8), the Ranking of Phase 1 events and will be determined by a Drawing of lots scheduled to be announced by November 2019.

Option Two:

- Four (4) pools of double gender events with six (6) NFs each gender per event;
- After completion of each event, the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and three (3) best 4th ranked NFs each gender per event will advance to the 3rd phase of the CEV Continental Cup (2018-2020), i.e. the CEV Continental Cup Final.

**Note: The criteria to select three (3) best 4th ranked NFs will follow CEV regulations and will be announced by CEV once it is decided.*

- Distribution of NFs in each event will follow the CEV NF Ranking (top 8), the Ranking of Phase 1 events and will be determined by a Drawing of lots scheduled to be announced by November 2019.

Option Three:

- Five (5) pools of double gender events with four (4) to five (5) NFs each gender per event;
- After completion of each event, the 1st, 2nd and 3rd ranked NFs each gender per event will advance to the 3rd phase of the CEV Continental Cup (2018-2020), i.e. the CEV Continental Cup Final.
- Distribution of NFs in each event will follow the CEV NF Ranking (top 8), the Ranking of Phase 1 events and will be determined by a Drawing of lots scheduled to be announced by November 2019.

3.3 3rd phase (CEV Continental Cup Final)

- One (1) double gender event or two (2) single gender events with sixteen (16) NFs per gender, comprising of the host NF plus fifteen (15) NFs advancing from 2nd phase;
- The winning NF of the CEV Continental Cup Final will obtain for its NOC the quota place to the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games, providing that the athlete's eligibility requirement is respected as per with the Olympic qualification system approved by IOC.
- The host NF will be seeded as No.1 while the rest of the teams will be seeded according to their ranking in 2nd phase (additional seeding criteria to be defined in a later stage).

4. Competition Format

4.1 1st phase

Depending on the number of NFs, different competition format will be implemented:

- If there will be three (3) NFs per gender in the event, the standard single round robin format will be adopted;
**Note: The criteria to break the ties between the NFs will be announced by CEV at a later stage.*
- If there will be four (4) NFs per gender in the event, the modified pool play format will be adopted;
- If there will be five (5) NFs per gender in the event, the double elimination format (of eight (8) NFs bracket) will be adopted.

4.2 2nd phase

Depending on the number of NFs, i.e. either six (6) NFs or four (4) NFs, different competition format will be implemented:

- If there will be four (4) NFs per gender in the event, the modified pool play format will be adopted;
- If there will be five (5) NFs per gender in the event, the double elimination format (of eight (8) NFs bracket) will be adopted;

- If there will be six (6) NFs per gender in the event, the exact competition format will be announced by CEV at a later stage.

4.3 3rd phase (CEV Continental Cup Final)

The competition format for the 3rd phase, i.e. the CEV Continental Cup Final is in progress considering the below two options and will be announced by CEV at a later stage.

Option One:

The CEV Continental Cup Final will be played with the single elimination format with sixteen (16) NFs bracket.

Option Two:

The CEV Continental Cup Final will be played with the preliminary round of modified pool play followed by the single elimination phase.

5. Participation Restrictions

5.1 1st phase

- The top eight (8) ranked NFs per gender, as per CEV NF Ranking as of 30th September 2018, will advance directly to the 2nd phase without participating in the 1st phase.
- The NF organizing the CEV Continental Cup Final per gender, will advance directly to the 3rd phase, i.e. the CEV Continental Cup Final, without participating in the 1st and 2nd phase.

5.2 2nd phase

- As per the IOC Qualification system circulated in April 2018, an athlete can earn a maximum of one (1) quota place for his/her NOC/NF to the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020. Any athlete(s) already secured a quota place for their NOCs/NFs are not allowed to participate in the 2nd phase and therefore benefit their NFs.
- In addition to the above, in case any NF that has already obtained maximum of two (2) quota places through other Olympic qualification pathways before the start of the 2nd phase, will not be able to play in the 2nd phase and shall be replaced by the next eligible NF accordingly.

5.3 3rd phase (CEV Continental Cup Final)

- An athlete having already earned one (1) quota place for its NOC/NF through the FIVB Beach Volleyball Olympic Qualification Tournament, the 2019 FIVB Beach Volleyball Senior World Championships or the Olympic Ranking List established on 15th June 2020 will not be eligible to compete in the 3rd phase (i.e. CEV Continental Cup Final).
- NOCs/NFs which have already obtained two (2) quota places as per the FIVB Beach Volleyball Olympic Qualification Tournament, the 2019 FIVB Beach Volleyball Senior World Championships or the Olympic Ranking List of 15th of June 2020 will not compete in the 3rd phase (i.e. CEV Continental Cup Final). They will be replaced by the next eligible NOC/NF in the 2nd phase.

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CSV Continental Cup (2018-2020) Competition Scheme

1. Match Format

The Beach Volleyball Continental Cup is played in a NF vs. NF format and each NF is represented by two (2) teams per gender.

In addition, the CSV Continental Cup (2018-2020) is played with the following match format:

- Best of five (5) matches;
- A golden set will be played for the deciding match (if any).

**Note: For any event in the 1st phase where 3 NFs will play the round robin and part 1 of 2nd phase of the CSV Continental Cup (2018-2020), the 4th match will be played anyway even if certain NF wins by 3-0.*

2. Competition Phase

The CSV Continental Cup (2018-2020) is played in three (3) phases with Part 1 & Part 2 in the 2nd phase as following:

- 1st Phase: January - August 2019
(exact competition date of each event to be announced by CSV by 26th November 2018)
- 2nd Phase Part 1: August - December 2019
(exact competition date of each event to be announced by CSV by 30 days after the last event of the 1st phase)
- 2nd Phase Part 2: January - May 2020
(exact competition date of each event to be announced by CSV by December of 2019)
- 3rd Phase (CSV Continental Cup Final): the week of 22nd – 28th June 2020

3. Competition Scheme

The competition scheme and progression of the CSV Continental Cup (2018-2020) is as following:

3.1 1st phase

- Three (3) pools of double gender events with four (4) NFs each gender per event. Single gender events can also be organized if necessary.
- After completion of each event, the 1st ranked NFs each gender per event will advance to the 3rd phase of the CSV Continental Cup (2018-2020).
- After completion of each event, the 2nd ranked NFs each gender per event will advance to the 2nd phase Part 2, while 3rd ranked NFs each gender per event will advance to the 2nd phase Part 1 of the CSV Continental Cup (2018-2020).
- Distribution of NFs in each event will follow the CSV Regulations and is scheduled to be announced by 26th November 2018.

3.2 2nd phase

The competition scheme of the 2nd phase of the CSV Continental Cup (2018-2020) will be as following:

Part 1:

- One (1) pool of double gender events with three (3) NFs each gender per event. Single gender events can also be organized if necessary.
- After completion of each event, the 1st ranked NF each gender per event will advance to the 2nd phase Part 2 of the CSV Continental Cup (2018-2020)
- Distribution of NFs in each event will follow the CSV Regulations and will be announced by CSV at a later stage.

Part 2:

- One (1) pool of double gender events with four (4) NFs each gender per event. Single gender events can also be organized if necessary.
- After completion of each event, the 1st ranked NF each gender per event will advance to the 3rd phase of the CSV Continental Cup (2018-2020), i.e. the CSV Continental Cup Final.
- Distribution of NFs in each event will follow the CSV Regulations and will be announced by CSV at a later stage.

3.3 3rd phase (CSV Continental Cup Final)

- Two (2) single gender events with four (4) NFs per gender, comprising of three (3) NFs advancing from 1st phase and one (1) NF advancing from 2nd phase Part 2;
- The winning NF of the CSV Continental Cup Final will obtain for its NOC the quota place to the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games, providing that the athlete's eligibility requirement is respected as per with the Olympic qualification system approved by IOC.
- The seeding methodology will follow the CSV regulations.

4. Competition Format

4.1 1st phase

Depending on the number of NFs, different competition format will be implemented:

- If there will be three (3) NFs per gender in the event, the standard single round robin format will be adopted;
**Note: The criteria to break the ties between the NFs will follow the CSV regulations, i.e. in priority, head to head matchup between the tied NFs, then number of matches won, rally points ratio, set points ration and if there is still a tie after all efforts, a draw will be implemented. However, the results from golden set does not count towards the criteria of tie-breaker.*
- If there will be four (4) NFs per gender in the event, the modified pool play format will be adopted.

4.2 2nd phase Part 1

Competition format implemented in 2nd phase Part 1 will be:

- Three (3) NFs per gender in the event, the standard single round robin format will be adopted.

**Note: In case any 3rd ranked NF from the 1st Phase will not participate in 2nd Phase Part 1, the remaining two (2) NFs will play the head to head match up.*

4.3 2nd phase Part 2

Competition format implemented in 2nd phase Part 2 will be:

- Four (4) NFs per gender in the event, the modified pool play format will be adopted.

**Note: In case any 2rd ranked NFs from the 1st phase will not participate in 2nd phase Part 2, the 2nd best ranked NF from 2nd Phase Part 1 may replace the missing NF.*

4.4 3rd phase (CSV Continental Cup Final)

The CSV Continental Cup Final will be played with the modified pool play format with four (4) NFs. The seeding methodology will follow the CSV regulations.

5. Participation Restrictions

5.1 1st phase

- No specific restriction is determined by CSV.

5.2 2nd phase

- As per the IOC Qualification system circulated in April 2018, an athlete can earn a maximum of one (1) quota place for his/her NOC/NF to the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020. Any athlete(s) already secured a quota place for their NOCs/NFs are not allowed to participate in the 2nd phase and therefore benefit their NFs.
- In addition to the above, in case any NF that has already obtained maximum of two (2) quota places through other Olympic qualification pathways before the start of the 2nd phase, will not be able to play in the 2nd phase and shall be replaced by the next eligible NF accordingly.

5.3 3rd phase (CSV Continental Cup Final)

- An athlete having already earned one (1) quota place for its NOC/NF through the FIVB Beach Volleyball Olympic Qualification Tournament, the 2019 FIVB Beach Volleyball Senior World Championships or the Olympic Ranking List established on 15th June 2020 will not be eligible to compete in the 3rd phase (i.e. CSV Continental Cup Final).
- NOCs/NFs which have already obtained two (2) quota places as per the FIVB Beach Volleyball Olympic Qualification Tournament, the 2019 FIVB Beach Volleyball Senior World Championships or the Olympic Ranking List of 15th of June 2020 will not compete in the 3rd phase (i.e. CSV Continental Cup Final). They will be replaced by the next eligible NOC/NF in the 2nd phase Part 2.

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NORCECA Continental Cup (2018-2020) Competition Scheme

1. Match Format

The Beach Volleyball Continental Cup is played in a NF vs. NF format and each NF is represented by two (2) teams per gender.

In addition, the NORCECA Continental Cup (2018-2020) is played with the following match format:

- Best out of three (3) matches
- A golden set will be played for the deciding match (if any).

2. Competition Phase

The NORCECA Continental Cup (2018-2020) is played in three (3) phases as following:

- 1st Phase: TBD in 2019
(in progress, exact competition period to be announced by NORCECA by December 2018, and the exact competition date and location to be announced by NORCECA no later than 60 days before the start of the first event of 1st phase)
- 2nd Phase: TBD in 2020
(in progress, exact competition period to be announced by NORCECA by December 2018, and the exact competition date and location to be announced by NORCECA no later than 60 days before the start of the first event of 2nd phase)
- 3rd Phase (NORCECA Continental Cup Final): the week of 22nd – 28th June 2020

3. Competition Scheme

The competition scheme and progression of the NORCECA Continental Cup (2018-2020) is as following:

3.1 1st phase (Zonal phase)

- Three (3) pools of double or single gender events with two (2) each gender per event;
- According to the NORCECA NF ranking as of 31st December 2018, the three (3) top ranked NF from each of the AFECVOL, CAZOVA and ECVA Zone will be eligible to play the NORCECA Continental Cup Final (2018-2020), with the best ranked NF from each of the three (3) zones above advance directly to the 2nd phase, while the 2nd and 3rd ranked NFs from each of the three (3) ones above participating in the 1st phase.
- After completion of each event, the winning NF each gender per event will advance to the 2nd phase of the NORCECA Continental Cup (2018-2020);
- Distribution of NFs in each event will follow the NORCECA Regulations and is scheduled to be announced by NORCECA at a later stage.

3.2 2nd phase (Inter-zone phase)

The competition scheme of the 2nd phase of the NORCECA Continental Cup (2018-2020) is as following:

- Two (2) single gender events with six (6) NFs each gender per event, comprising of the best ranked NFs from each of the AFECVOL, CAZOVA and ECVA Zone, plus the three (3) winning NFs from each event of 1st phase;
- After completion of each event, the 1st and 2nd ranked NFs each gender per event will advance to the 3rd phase of the NORCECA Continental Cup (2018-2020), i.e. the NORCECA Continental Cup Final.
- Distribution of NFs in each event will follow the NORCECA Regulations and is scheduled to be announced by NORCECA at later stage.

3.3 3rd phase (NORCECA Continental Cup Final)

- Two (2) single gender events or one (1) double gender event with eight (8) NFs per gender, comprising of all six (6) NFs from NCVA zone plus the 1st and 2nd ranked NFs each gender from 2nd phase;
- In case there is one or two NFs from NCVA zone already obtained the maximum two (2) quota places per gender to the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games through other qualification pathways, the 3rd and/or 4th ranked NFs each gender from 2nd phase will replace the NF(s) already obtaining the maximum quota places and participate accordingly in the 3rd phase of the NORCECA Continental Cup (2018-2020), i.e. the NORCECA Continental Cup Final.
- The winning NF of the NORCECA Continental Cup Final will obtain for its NOC the quota place to the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games, providing that the athlete's eligibility requirement is respected as per with the Olympic qualification system approved by IOC.
- The seeding methodology will follow the NORCECA regulations.

4. Competition Format

4.1 1st phase

For the 1st phase of the NORCECA Continental Cup (2018-2020), the head-to-head match up will be adopted.

4.2 2nd phase

For the 2nd phase, the six (6) NFs per gender will be placed into two (2) pools with three (3) NFs each pool (comprising of one NF from each of AFECVOL, CAZOVA and ECVA). The standard round robin format will be adopted and the 1st and 2nd ranked NFs of each pool will play a cross-over match-up to decide the final ranking of 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th at the 2nd phase.

4.3 3rd phase (NORCECA Continental Cup Final)

The NORCECA Continental Cup Final will be played with eight (8) NFs.

The eight (8) NFs per gender will be placed into two (2) pools with four (4) NFs each pool.

The standard round robin format will be adopted and the 1st and 2nd ranked NFs of each pool will play a cross-over match-up to decide the final ranking of 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th at the 3rd phase.

The seeding methodology will follow the NORCECA regulations.

5. Participation Restrictions

5.1 1st phase

- The best ranked NF per gender from each of the AFECAVOL, CAZOVA and ECVA Zone advance directly to the 2nd phase, without playing the 1st phase.
- All the six (6) NFs in NCVA zone will advance directly to the 3rd phase (NORCECA Continental Cup Final), without playing the 1st and 2nd phase.

5.2 2nd phase

- As per the IOC Qualification system circulated in April 2018, an athlete can earn a maximum of one (1) quota place for his/her NOC/NF to the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020. Any athlete(s) already secured a quota place for their NOCs/NFs are not allowed to participate in the 2nd phase and therefore benefit their NFs.
- In addition to the above, in case any NF that has already obtained maximum of two (2) quota places through other Olympic qualification pathways before the start of the 2nd phase, will not be able to play in the 2nd phase and shall be replaced by the next eligible NF accordingly.
- All the six (6) NFs in NCVA zone will advance directly to the 3rd phase (NORCECA Continental Cup Final), without playing the 1st and 2nd phase.

5.3 3rd phase (NORCECA Continental Cup Final)

- An athlete having already earned one (1) quota place for its NOC/NF through the FIVB Beach Volleyball Olympic Qualification Tournament, the 2019 FIVB Beach Volleyball Senior World Championships or the Olympic Ranking List established on 15th June 2020 will not be eligible to compete in the 3rd phase (i.e. NORCECA Continental Cup Final).
- NOCs/NFs which have already obtained two (2) quota places as per the FIVB Beach Volleyball Olympic Qualification Tournament, the 2019 FIVB Beach Volleyball Senior World Championships or the Olympic Ranking List of 15th of June 2020 will not compete in the 3rd phase (i.e. NORCECA Continental Cup Final). They will be replaced by the next eligible NOC/NF in the 2nd phase.

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