

The FIVB, together with the local organisers of its top events and its partners, recognises the importance of top quality coverage of all FIVB Events and strives to offer the highest standard of media services for accredited media representatives.

The present Terms and Conditions are the basis for all media representatives applying for an accreditation and reporting from an FIVB Event.

Terms and Conditions for Media Representatives

All applicants will be contacted and informed by email whether the application is successful or not. The success or failure of all media accreditation applications is entirely at the discretion of the FIVB, the local organisers and the FIVB TV Agency, IMG Media. The FIVB is not obliged to give reasons for any decisions made. All decisions communicated to accreditation applicants will be final and binding and no correspondence will be entered into. The FIVB and/or IMG Media may accept or reject accreditation requests entirely at its own discretion and to impose further terms and conditions as it sees fit. Once an accreditation is granted, it may be revoked at any time without liability for compensation to the applicant.

Before requesting accreditations, TV and radio representatives must have contacted IMG Media and must have reached an agreement concerning the relevant media rights prior to the tournament in a timely manner, at least before the expiry date of the application for accreditation.

Media representatives who do not comply with the regulations below before or during the event will have their accreditation withdrawn for the (remainder of the) event and can be banned by the FIVB from attending future events. The FIVB and/or IMG Media may ask an accredited journalist to substantiate his work at any time during the event.

In this case the evidence must be provided within 24 hours of the request. Should this evidence not be provided, the FIVB and/or IMG Media may withdraw the accreditation.

Your application for a media accreditation for FIVB events will only be processed upon confirmation of the following conditions:

- 1) Accreditations may only be picked up by the bearer and not by a representative. Accreditations will only be issued on receipt of valid photo-identification (eg. passport, driving licence) and printed confirmation email or FIVB Media Club member identification number.
- 2) Accredited media representatives must wear their accreditation at all times.
- 3) Accreditations are only valid together with a photo-ID.
- 4) Accreditation cards may only be carried and used by the bearer and may not be assigned or transferred to any other person.
- 5) Accredited media representatives are only allowed in the designated zones as displayed on the accreditation card.
- 6) Accredited media representatives are only allowed to follow the defined and signposted routing system.
- 7) Access to the area which surrounds the playing court is allowed only with the designated accreditation and a bib and upon authorisation by the FIVB and/or IMG Media.
- 8) All accredited media representatives have to follow the rules for the Mixed Zone. The Mixed Zone is divided and signposted into five zones (Host Broadcaster/Television Rights Holders/Radio and News Agencies/Written Press/Television/ Non-Rights Holders).
- 9) It is only allowed to hold television interviews in the Mixed Zone in front of the official advertising backdrop boards (TV Right Holders).
- 10) Entering the playing court for media representatives is not allowed at any time. Only

- the Host Broadcaster is permitted onto the playing court.
- 11) There will be a designated photo and TV area reserved for the awarding ceremony from which the photographers and TV crews will be able to work.
 - 12) During the matches, TV crews have to stay in their designated and signposted areas.
 - 13) The guidelines and instructions set by the FIVB, the Local Organiser and/or the Host Broadcaster must be followed at all times. No Rights Holder is permitted to interfere/obstruct in the work of the FIVB, the Local Organiser and/or the Host Broadcaster.
 - 14) All media representatives with access to the area which surrounds the playing court have to remain seated and cannot change seats during play. Changing position can be done during the interval between two sets or at the end of the match according to the routing system.
 - 15) It is not allowed to stand behind the players' seats, behind the official table or on the opposite side of the court without authorisation by the FIVB.
 - 16) It is not allowed to obstruct the view of the advertising boards.
 - 17) All photographers and TV crews with access to the area which surrounds the playing field are requested to wear the bib and accreditation at all times. The bibs must be handed back to the photo marshal, TV Coordinator at the end of each day.
 - 18) Journalists and/or photographers are allowed to use pictures from FIVB events only for publication in editorial text and guarantee not to play any moving picture sequences (max. sequence is 5 pictures/sec.) on the internet or to publish pictures on the internet which have been electronically modified or adapted. They agree not to sell pictures for commercial or advertising use without the written authorisation of FIVB or IMG Media.
 - 19) Internet journalists are not permitted (unless with approved accreditation) to provide audio or video broadcasts to their respective website at any time, nor are they permitted to provide online scoring/statistics from an internet connection, or any other connection, to their respective website during the game.
 - 20) Members and delegates of national federations and teams can only use pictures for private use. They must not occupy official photo positions, including on court during the awarding ceremony as these are for media only.
 - 21) No match video recording is allowed other than TV Rights Holders and official team video persons.
 - 22) TV Right Holders agree to use video material from the FIVB events only for broadcasting on television (except for such Right Holders with an agreement for internet distribution).
 - 23) Accredited media representatives must behave in an orderly manner – befitting of the Terms and Conditions for FIVB Events – throughout the competition. Any abusive behaviour or conduct unbecoming will result in expulsion from all venues.
 - 24) The accreditation of any person found to be accredited under false pretences will be invalidated immediately.
 - 25) Accreditation must be worn at all times in the event arena on both match and non-match days, including training sessions.
 - 26) No strobe photography is allowed in the arenas.
 - 27) During the match, all photographers shall remain courtside behind the advertising boards.