

# 2014 FIVB BEACH VOLLEYBALL HANDBOOK

Dear all,

During the past two decades, this operational manual has proven to be essential in implementing successful FIVB Beach Volleyball events and has had a fundamental role in the growth of Beach Volleyball around the world.

The main goal of this 2014 edition was to create a more user friendly manual; consequently the handbook has been shortened and is mainly addressed to Organizers, Delegates, Officials, FIVB partners, broadcasters, media agencies as well as to hosting cities involved in the World Tour. This year another manual has been realized by the FIVB Beach Volleyball department concerning Sports Regulations, which is mainly addressed to the participating National Volleyball Federations and their respective athletes, officials as well as to the Continental Confederations and other entities within the FIVB family.

Moreover, the FIVB Beach Volleyball Sports Regulations, and separately this Handbook are meant to harmonize the publications issued for volleyball and beach volleyball creating a similar structure of tools.

Again the 2014 Handbook will be accompanied by valuable operational tools such as the online branding kit, checklists, forms, templates, and their respective links have been inserted in the text to allow an easy access for the users.

Another important achievement, is that the 2014 Handbook focuses primarily on the operational aspects of the World Tour Events while another Handbook has been developed exclusively for Age Group World Championships. This will indeed make it easier for the users allowing them to focus on the events they are involved in.

We really hope that this Handbook will not only help those that are already involved in our sport but will also inspire new stakeholders.

Finally, the FIVB is committed to further develop and enhance Beach Volleyball around the world and therefore is glad to announce an unprecedented number of official Beach Volleyball events in 2014 as well as an increase in Prize Money for the Beach Volleyball tournaments.

On this occasion, we would like to extend a special thank you to all those that expressed their appreciation for this manual over the past years and also to the people who contributed with their hard work to the realization of the 2014 FIVB Beach Volleyball Handbook.

On behalf of the Beach Volleyball team, we wish you all a very successful season ahead!

Best regards,

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