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GENERAL OFFICIAL REGULATIONS

Eastern European Volleyball Zonal Association

AGE CHAMPIONSHIPS

ARTICLE 1: PRINCIPLES

Article 1.1

JURIDICAL STRUCTURE

Junior Volleyball Championships for men and women National teams will be regularly organized every year.
Youth Volleyball Championships for boys and girls National teams – every second year.

Article 1.2

RIGHT OF PARTICIPATION OF TEAMS

All national teams coming under the authority of an Eastern Europe Volleyball Zonal Association are eligible to participate in the EEVZA Championships, provided their National Federation has fulfilled all its commitments towards the latter.

Article 1.3

RIGHT OF PARTICIPATION OF PLAYERS

1.3.1 A player wishing to take part in the EEVZA Championship must possess the nationality of the country with whose National team he intends to play and must fully comply with the requirements laid down in Chapter I (STATUS OF THE PLAYERS) of the FIVB Sports Regulations.

1.3.2 Male/female players wishing to participate shall be aged accordingly (see Annex I):

1.3.3. Each team through Form EEVZA-05 has the right to register a maximum of 22 players.

The Form EEVZA-05 has to be filled by each participating National federation, including Organizing federation and duly completed, must reach the EEVZA Headquarters **and** Organizing Federation **no later than 1 month** before the first competition day. National Federation, hosting an EEVZA Championship, 1 (one) MONTH BEFORE THE START OF THE COMPETITION must sent by e-meil as scanned document Form EEVZA-07 to EEVZA Headquarters.

1.3.4. On the year of concerned CEV European U17/U16 Championships, Registration for the **EEVZA U-17 (men) & EEVZA U-16 (women)**, including the deadlines of registration is according to the CEV Regulations and Instructions (will follow by Official Communications, issued by CEV).

1.3.5. The number of players per team is limited to 14 out of the 22 players listed on the Form EEVZA-05. The *ad hoc* form EEVZA-05bis (of the home team and each visiting team) constituting the delegation's final registration shall be presented to the Jury upon the Preliminary inquiry.

1.3.6 Any exceeding of the deadlines laid down under the articles 1.3.3, 1.3.4 of these Regulations will be liable for the fines, provided for by these regulations, such as listed in the Table of Financial Sanctions (Annex II).

1.3.7 The players' right of participation shall be checked either by the Technical Delegate or Jury, prior to the start of the competition, by means of each player's passport or identity card, with photo, issued by the official governmental authorities of the concerned country, with the National team of which they intend to participate in the EEVZA Championships, and checked through the Form EEVZA-05bis.

The right to participate lapses if any of mentioned identity documents can be presented.

1.3.8 Teams due to the medical reasons or force majeure are allowed to change up to 2(two) players, previously registered in the Form EEVZA-05bis, in period between the Preliminary inquiry and the General Technical meeting (optional). In this case, the new player, registered in the Form EEVZA-05, can to be added to Form EEVZA-05bis and can to play at any moment upon arrival after having been accredited by the Technical Delegate or the Jury. The expenses incurred in changing the players are at full cost to the National Federation. No changes will be allowed after the Preliminary Inquiry or General Technical meeting (optional).

Article 1.4

RULES GOVERNING THE COMPETITION

EEVZA Championships shall be organized and played under the Official rules of the game laid down by the FIVB; shall only take place in halls, confirmed by concerned National Federation and approved by the Technical Delegate or Jury.

Article 1.5

COMPOSITION OF A TEAM

Team can be composed of a maximum of 20 persons, i.e. 12-14 players and the following 6 officials:

- The team manager
- The head coach
- The assistant coach
- The second assistant coach
- The medical doctor
- The physiotherapist

If the team comprises 12-14 players, the maximum number of officials remains limited to the 6 persons mentioned above. If the team will bring 14 players, all of them have to be registered to the all matches of the tournament.

One referee has to be included in each delegation, i.e. totally each delegation consists maximum of 21 persons.

ARTICLE 2: COMPETITION METHOD

2.1.1. 10 (ten) men, 10 (ten) women teams have the rights to participate in the EEVZA Championships in pursuit of the title of EEVZA CHAMPION.

2.1.2. These teams are from countries which federations are EEVZA members.

2.1.3 Competition method:

- 8-10 teams (one from each EEVZA Member federation) - are divided in two pools taking into account CEV Federations Ranking, i.e four/five teams in each pool. After Pool play teams follow play-off games according to the system: A1 vs B1 (for 1st Place); A2 vs B2 (for 3rd place); A3 vs B3 (for 5th place); A4 vs B4 (for 7th place), A5 vs B5 (for 9th place)
- 7; 6; 5 teams - play single round robin.
- 4 teams – organizing federation is recommended to choose competition formula to enlarge number of games.
- If 3 or less teams announced to participate in EEVZA Championship, competition should be canceled or transferred to other date.

It's allowed for teams to play 2 matches per day.

2.1.4. Teams in pools are divided according to the current CEV National Federations Ranking. In case of the same ranking of several teams, drawing has to be done by Organizer with purpose in which pool concerned team has to be allocated.

2.1.5. On the year when of concerned CEV European U17/U16 Championships will be held, qualification Competition system for EEVZA U-17 (men) and EEVZA U-16 (women) will be announced additionally according to the instructions, received from CEV.

2.1.6. If any of mentioned teams don't take part in EEVZA AGE championships, organizing federation can be represented by 2 teams.

2.1.7. EEVZA Executive Committee is Main body, who will confirm Final competitions system according to the relevant amount of the registered teams.

Article 2.2

ALLOCATION OF POINTS

2.2.1. For all the rounds of the EEVZA Championships, the allocation of points shall be as follows:

2.2.2 EEVZA competition standing is based on the number of matches won.

Points for won and lost matches are allocated as follows:

- Winner 3:0 or 3:1 3 points
- Winner 3:2 2 points
- Loser 2:3 1 point
- Loser 1:3 or 0:3 0 point

2.2.3. There is a tie between Participants when each participant has the same number of matches won. In case of tie, the standing of the Participants is established by using the following criteria in the following mentioned order, until the tie ends:

- In descending order by the number of allocated points for won and lost matches,
- In descending order by the set quotient resulting from the division of all sets won by all sets lost during the competition,
- In descending order by the set points quotient resulting from the division of all set points scored by all sets points lost during the competition,
- In descending order by the result(s) of the match(es) played between them

2.2.4 Forfeit is imposed as foreseen in the Official Volleyball Rules, the FIVB Sports Regulations or CEV Official Regulations.

2.2.5 Any team refusing to play a match shall be sanctioned according to the CEV Code of Discipline. The results obtained up to the moment of its exclusion shall be cancelled.

2.2.6 A match will be accounted for as lost by 0-3 (0-25; 0-25; 0-25) by the team concerned:

- If a doping rule violation occurs
- If one or more players are not eligible as per the provisions of these Regulations.

2.2.7 A team refusing to play against another team shall be excluded from the rest of the EEVZA AGE Championships. The results obtained up to the moment of its exclusion shall be cancelled. As of the time of exclusion, all further expenses incurred shall be borne by the defaulting team.

ARTICLE 3: TEAMS COMMITMENTS & ADMINISTRATIVE DEADLINES

Article 3.1

REGISTRATION PROCEDURE

To be admitted to participate in the EEVZA AGE Championship, each Federation shall register the National team. Registered letter shall notify this registration, by means of the Form EEVZA-05. Registration form EEVZA-05 has to be sent to Organizer 30 days before the concerned competition.

Article 3.2

WITHDRAWAL OF A TEAM - SANCTIONS

A team withdrawing from the EEVZA AGE Championship, either officially or by forfeit, will be liable for the fines, provided by these regulations, such as listed in the Table of Financial Sanctions (Annex I), the team also loses the right of participation in the rest of the competition and in the next edition of the EEVZA AGE Championships.

ARTICLE 4: BODIES IN CHARGE OF THE VARIOUS ROUNDS OF THE EEVZA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Article 4.1

EEVZA AGE CHAMPIONSHIPS

The entire preparation and organization of EEVZA AGE Championship comes under the responsibility of the Organization Committee of the concerned National Federation, in conformity with the FIVB/CEV rules and the current Regulations as well as the Technical Organization & Logistics for organizers.

Organizing Federation shall appoint a Technical Delegate. Referee Delegate has to be nominated, if necessary.

Article 4.2

LODGING & ARBITRATION OF PROTESTS

4.2.1 Any complain lodged, as well as any decision returned by the competent authority, shall be mandatory written in English language.

PROTESTS and CLAIMS raised against the conduct of a match, or against the participation of one or more player(s) of a team, shall be recorded on the scoresheet.

The team manager shall notify the written CONFIRMATION of this protest to the Technical Delegate at the latest within 60 minutes after the end of the match.

After having heard the parties involved, the Technical Delegate shall announce his DECISION within 6 hours after the end of the concerned day's last match. This decision shall be notified to the concerned team managers in written form.

Article 4.2.2

GUARANTEE DEPOSIT

Any protest or claim shall mandatory be accompanied by a deposit of **340.00 EURO** in cash, or the equivalent in local currency.

This deposit shall be refunded immediately, if the protest has recognized.

Article 4.3

UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT

Any player or member of a delegation committing offences likely to entail his disqualification, or behavior in an unsportsmanlike manner during one of the EEVZA AGE Championships games, shall be liable to sanctions in accordance with the International Rules of Volleyball. Depending on the graveness of the offence, the Technical Delegate shall be empowered to disqualify the player or member of a delegation from the respective Round. Following to the report of the Technical Delegate, only the EEVZA Executive Committee can disqualify the player or member concerned up to the end of the final round.

ARTICLE 5: REFEREES & TECHNICAL DELEGATES

Article 5.1

APPOINTMENT OF THE REFEREES

5.1.1 For the EEVZA AGE Championships, by each participating Federation shall be appointed International referees or International referee candidates. In case of absence of an appropriate number of International Referees, the best National referees can to be appointed. One referee from each Federation has to be appointed and has to arrive to competitions place together with the team.

5.1.2. The other officials (scorers, lines-judges) shall be appointed by the Refereeing Commissions of the organizing Federations.

5.1.3. For non presenting of the Referee in a delegation, concerned National federation have been sanctioned with fine 500 EUR, which has to be paid by concerned National federation to Organizer.

Article 5.2.

APPOINTMENT OF THE TECHNICAL DELEGATES AND OTHER OFFICIALS

5.2.1 For the EEVZA AGE Championships shall be appointed the Technical delegates. Candidacies of Technical delegates have to be sent by National Federations to EEVZA Office and they will be appointed by EEVZA Office from the respective CEV and FIVB approved list of supervisors.

5.2.2 To the EEVZA AGE Championships, from which teams are qualifying to CEV Age Championships, Referee Delegate has to be nominated.

5.2.3. For those EEVZA competitions, which are considered as Official Qualification rounds for European AGE Championships, will be appointed EEVZA Neutral Technical Supervisor and Referee Delegate from those National Federations Supervisors/Delegates, who are on the respective lists of CEV. For other EEVZA competitions local Technical Supervisors/Referee Delegates have to be appointed.

ARTICLE 6: FINANCIAL MATTERS

Article 6.1

TRAVEL EXPENSES OF TEAMS

Each team shall bear the travel expenses to the official venue of arrival and departure, indicated by the organizing National Federation. The travel expenses within the country, i.e. from the official venue of arrival to the competition site and back, shall be borne by the National Federation, organizing the competitions.

Article 6.2

TRAVEL EXPENSES OF REFEREES

Each participating Federation shall bear the travel expenses of the Referee to the official venue of arrival and departure, indicated by the organizing National Federation. The travel expenses from official venue of arrival to the competition site and back, as well as local transportation, shall be borne by the organizing National Federation.

Article 6.3

TRAVEL EXPENSES OF TECHNICAL DELEGATES

Each Organizing federation is responsible for covering of local transportation costs of the nominated Technical Delegate to and back from the official competitions venue and during the competitions as well.

International Travel and visa expenses of Neutral Technical and Referee delegate will be covered by EEVZA, local travel expenses will be covered by the respective Organizer.

Article 6.4

FOOD & LODGING EXPENSES OF TEAMS

6.4.1 During the EEVZA AGE Championships, the organizing National Federation shall bear the hotel and food expenses for Official delegation, consisting max of 20 persons per team (max 14 players and 6 officials), for a period starting one day before the beginning of the competitions and ending one day after the competition. Each Federation shall be bound to contribute to the cost of board and lodging of its delegation, by paying a contribution fee of the food & lodging to the organizing National Federation for each of the member of its delegation (max 20 persons, **except** referee). This "contribution fee" amounts 50,00 EURO x number of competition days per person). Total fee per delegation depends of amount of competition days and participating teams. This amount must be paid upon the arrival of the team and must be settled even if the duration of the stay is shorter. Both the arrival and the departure day are counting as 1 [ONE] full day.

6.4.2 During the EEVZA AGE Championships the teams can be accommodated in Hotels, Sports Centers and/or Student Hostels with 2/3 persons per room, equipped with bathrooms and toilets., Accommodation shall meet overall standards of hygiene and tidiness.

TEAM DELEGATIONS			
Team members	Type of rooms		Type of rooms
14 players	7 twin	or	4 trpl, 1 twin
6 officials	1 twin, 4sgl		1 twin, 4 sgl
Or			
12 players	6 twin	or	4 trpl, 1 twin
6 officials	1 twin, 4 sgl		1 twin, sgl

Article 6.5

FOOD & LODGING EXPENSES OF REFEREES AND TECHNICAL DELEGATES

6.5.1 During the EEVZA AGE Championships, the organizing National Federation shall bear the hotel and food expenses for ALL Nominated referees (including Neutral referees who are nominated by the National Federations of participating teams) and local Technical Delegate. Referees can to accommodated in twin rooms, Technical/Referee Delegate in sgl room. For nominated Neutral EEVZA Technical Delegates and Referee Delegates food & lodging expenses have been covered by EEVZA.

Article 6.6

POCKET MONEY

6.6.1. During the whole duration of their stay the Local Referee Delegate (if nominated) and the local referees (line judges, scorers etc.) respectively appointed by Organizing National Federation for EEVZA AGE Championship shall receive pocket money, which is paid by Organizing National Federation according to the local Rules of Organizing federation.

Each participating federation, which brings referee to any of EEVZA AGE competition, has to pay pocket money for own referee 50,00 EUR per each competition day (only).

6.6.2. Pocket money for the nominated local Technical Delegate is adopted 75 EUR per all staying period and is mentioned as EEVZA Support for Organizer. Organizing federation is responsible for paying all the taxes according to the National Law of concerned country.

6.6.3. Only for those EEVZA competitions, which are considered as Official Qualification Round of concerned European AGE Competition, pocket money for the nominated EEVZA Neutral Technical delegate and Referee Delegate is adopted 75 EUR per all staying period and is mentioned as EEVZA Support for Organizer. Organizing federation is responsible for paying all the taxes according to the National Law of concerned country.

Article 6.7

EEVZA Financial Support

For the organizers of EEVZA AGE Championships, EEVZA will support with 2500 EUR Mentioned support will be transferred to Organizer in end of competition only after all the official documents and Technical Delegate report has been received in EEVZA Office.

Article 6.8

RESTITUTION OF FINANCIAL DAMAGES

6.8.1 The National Federations of the teams participating in the EEVZA AGE Championships are responsible for the financial damages caused – as visiting National team to the EEVZA and to the organizing National Federation, for mistake or culpable negligence by their failed participation.

6.8.2 The organizing National Federation is responsible for the financial damages occurred to the EEVZA and visiting national teams, for mistake or culpable negligence by their careless organization.

6.8.3 Costs and damages occurred to EEVZA and organizing National Federation or to visiting National Team, by *force majeure* or a reason outside the influence respectively of a visiting national team, EEVZA or the organizing National Federation, have to be endorsed by the damaged body itself.

Article 6.9

FINES

For NON RESPECTING the EEVZA AGE Championships Regulations, the fines listed in Annex II (Table of Financial Sanctions) will be applied. Any modification of this list shall be approved by the EEVZA GA.

The financial sanctions provided for in Annex II do not exclude any OTHER SANCTIONS.

ARTICLE 7: APPROVAL OF COMPETITION HALLS

All matches in the respective rounds of the EEVZA Championships shall only be staged in halls meeting the requirements laid down in the Official Rules and Guidelines, issued by FIVB and CEV, as well as the provisions ruling the official CEV competitions.

ARTICLE 8: TRAINING FACILITIES

Any Federation organizing the competitions shall commit itself to ensure that all teams is granted the following training facilities with condition, that teams will arrive in competitions venue till 15:00 on the day of arrival:

- on the day before the first competition day, 60 minutes in the official competition hall;
- on each competition day, 60 minutes in a training hall;
- on each rest day during the competition, 60 minutes in a training hall;

Should on the day before the first competition day, a team for any reason haven't the possibility to use f the training facilities in the competition hall, the training session of 60 minutes, scheduled for the following competition day, must take place in the official competition hall.

On competition days any training session shall be scheduled in such a way, that it will be finished at least 5 [FIVE] hours before the starting time of the match in which the team concerned is involved. In case 2(two) matches per day are played, trainings are not mandatory.

ARTICLE 9: TEAM UNIFORMS

Jerseys and shorts must comply with FIVB Official Volleyball Rules Article 4.3.3, as well as the FIVB Standards for Volleyball Uniforms which are available on the FIVB website (www.fivb.org).

Publicity on uniforms must comply with the CEV Regulations concerning advertising material on the Uniforms of National Teams, which are available on the CEV website (www.cev.lu).

For the EEVZA AGE Championships each team must have available uniforms as follows;

- a team have available two [2] sets of playing uniforms, each one of a different color, the player's family name or nick name **are recommended**, but not mandatory, and if printed - on the back side of the shirt that has to be in accordance with the FIVB standards.

ARTICLE 10: DISTRIBUTION OF INFORMATION BY THE ORGANIZERS

2 (TWO) MONTHS before the EEVZA AGE Championship, the organizing Federation shall issue Information Bulletin No 1 and has to send to EEVZA Headquarters for approval. After approval by EEVZA Headquarters - to all concerned Federations the 1st Information bulletin with the following information have to be sent by Organizer:

- Official venue of arrival;
- Accommodation (address, phone and e-meil);
- Detailed program;
- Request to the participating teams to communicate the list of their delegation, together with their arrival/departure times.

Upon the team's arrival at the competition site, the 2nd information bulletin (handbook) shall be handed out to the participating teams. This bulletin shall indicate:

- Calendar and timetable of the matches;

- List of local organizing committee with the telephone number of the responsible;
- The address, telephone numbers, e-mail of the hotels of referees and teams;
- The address and telephone numbers of Competition and Training Halls;
- The dates, times and venues of the preliminary inquiry and technical meeting (optional);
- Timetable for training in the Competition and Training Halls;
- The timetables for transport, meals and trainings;
- List of Embassies with address and telephone numbers of participating teams;

Before the first competition day and upon completion of the preliminary inquiry, the organizer shall distribute the list of players, officials and referees to the participants.

The organizer shall moreover distribute a daily bulletin with the competition results and ranking.

A final bulletin with all results and final ranking shall be handed out to all participating teams, officials and referees.

Official materials for teams and Officials have to be distributed in ENGLISH.

ARTICLE 11: MATCH RESULT REPORT & TEAM RANKING PER POOL

11.1. Organizing federation by e-mail must send Match Result Report (Form EEVZA-12) to EEVZA Headquarters 30 min after finishing of each game at latest.

11.2. Organizing federation must send Team ranking Per Pool (Form EEVZA-12bis) to EEVZA Headquarters at the end of each competition day.

ARTICLE 12: CEREMONIES & PROTOCOL

The ceremonies for all rounds of the EEVZA AGE Championships shall be ruled by the "GUIDELINES FOR THE OPENING AND CLOSING CEREMONIES OF THE CONFÉDÉRATION EUROPÉENNE DE VOLLEYBALL'S COMPETITIONS".

ARTICLE 13: PRIZE OF HONOUR

Article 13.1

EEVZA CHAMPION

The team carrying off the title of EEVZA Champion shall receive a cup and a team diploma from the organizing National Federation. 20 persons in each team (max 14 players and 6 Officials) receive gold medals.

Article 13.2

TEAMS CLASSIFIED 2nd & 3rd

The teams classified second and third shall receive prizes of honors and team diplomas from the organizing National Federation. 20 persons in each team (max 14 players and 6 Officials) receives respectively silver and bronze medals

Medals to Organizing National Federation will be distributed by EEVZA Office.

Team Diplomas have been issued by Organizer according to the layout, received from EEVZA Office.

ARTICLE 14: MARKETING & PRESS ISSUES

Organizers have obliged to send to EEVZA Office: photo of each participating team; at least 10 high resolution photos of each game; photo from Opening, Awarding ceremonies, photos of the teams, took the 1st, 2nd, 3rd places.

One week before the starting of the competitions Organizing Federation has to send to EEVZA Office short press release about forthcoming event. In the first day after the finishing of the competition Organizer have to send to EEVZA Office short summary of the event with the main and most important information.

At least one EEVZA advertising banner have to be placed in the competitions hall in the most visible place.

ARTICLE 15: CASES NOT FORESEEN

The Executive Committee of the EEVZA shall settle all cases not provided for by the current regulations.

ARTICLE 16: FORMS AND ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS

In the EEVZA Championship following forms have to be used:

- Team registration EEVZA – 05
- Final Team Registration EEVZA–05bis
- Match Result Report Form EEVZA-12
- Team Ranking Per Pool Form EEVZA-12bis
- Information about Competitions Form EEVZA -07
- Health Certificate for players Form EEVZA -M4

All these forms are available at EEVZA website: <http://www.eevza.eu>

ARTICLE 17: INFORMATION BY THE ORGANIZER AFTER THE COMPETITION

In the period of one week after the competition the Organizer must send to the EEVZA Headquarters the following documents and information:

1. The set of original score sheets;
2. Team rosters (including head coach);
3. Name list of Individual awards(in case announced);
4. Final Report (including the information about the public attendance, extracts from articles in newspapers etc.);
5. Pictures with awarded teams and game moments in digital format with a minimum of 300 dpi in order to update EEVZA website and to prepare the EEVZA Annual Yearbook (at least 10 photos).
6. Technical Supervisors' Report.

ANNEXI

**EEVZA AGE VOLLEYBALL COMPETITIONS CALENDAR
2018**

Name of event	Age	Competition days*	Competitions venue
EEVZA U17 Championship (men)	Born(2001/2002)	22-25 November 2018	Estonia
EEVZA U16 Championship (women)	Born(2002/2003)	22-25 November 2018	tbd
EEVZA U15 Championship (men)	Born(2003/2004)	13-16 December 2018	Armenia
EEVZA U14 Championship (women)	Born 2004/2005)	13-16 December 2018	Poland

**Amount of competition days would be subject of changes due to amount of registered teams*

ANNEX II:

Table of Financial Sanctions

Sanction	EUR
Non-arrival to any of EEVZA AGE Championship games after team Registration (after the proposal of Jury and the decision of Executive Committee)	up to 3000 EUR
. Delay in providing of the required information (EEVZA-05, EEVZA-07, information about team, photo of team, logo of sponsors etc.)	100 EURO
Delay in providing of the required information (EEVZA-05, EEVZA-07, information about team, photo of team, logo of sponsors etc.)	100 EURO
Delay of team's participation fee transfer to Organizers	100 EURO
Non presentation of EEVZA-05bis form to the Organizers	70 EURO
Non completed documents presented to Organizers	50 EURO
Non respect of the distribution of results to EEVZA office	70 EURO
Non-presenting two sets of sport uniforms or non compliance with the Regulations	1000 EURO
7. Non respecting a deadline of sending the all documents, Mentioned in Article 18 of these Regulations	500 EUR