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## **EEVZA U-18 BEACH VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIP 2010 REGULATIONS**

### **ARTICLE 1. JURIDICAL STRUCTURE**

Each edition of the EEVZA U18 Beach Volleyball Championships (afterwards referred to as "Championships") will cover a period of one year. The EEVZA is entrusted to organize this competition.

### **ARTICLE 2. ORGANIZATION FORMAT**

The Championships consists of one tournament.  
The Championships have to be organized for boys and girls on the same date and venue.

### **ARTICLE 3. COMPETITIONS CLAUSES**

The Championships shall be organized and played under the current FIVB Official Beach Volleyball Rules.

### **ARTICLE 4. DATE AND VENUE**

The U18 EEVZA Beach Volleyball Championships 2010 will be held on the 20 July – 21 July 2010.  
Competitions place: Kaliningrad (Russia).  
Arrival day is 19 July,  
Departure day 22 July 2010  
Competitions days 20., 21 July

### **ARTICLE 5. RIGHT OF PARTICIPATION**

A player wishing to take part, must possess the nationality of the country with whose national team he/she intends to play and must fully comply with the requirements laid down by FIVB. Only players not suspended by CEV and/or FIVB for the Championship concerned are allowed to participate.

Players wishing to participate, shall be aged under 18 years on 31 December of the year during which the respective Championship held.

### **ARTICLE 6. REGISTRATION**

To be admitted to participate, the National Federation must complete an Entry Form and have it duly signed and stamped by its National Federation. The entry deadline is stated on the Entry Form. The Entry Forms have to be sent by the National Federations concerned to the EEVZA Office either by mail (as scanned document) or by fax. In registering, all teams also commit themselves to participate in all matches of the event for which they registered.

The registration procedure is divided in two phases:

Spot registration – Deadline -1 month before the competition

Player Registration – Deadline -10 days before the competition

### **ARTICLE 7. TEAM COMPOSITION**

The team is composed of two players of the same nationality and same gender. Official delegation of each federation consists max from two boys & two girls teams and one coach per

each gender. In case National federation takes part with one boys and one girls team, that only one coach regards in official delegation.

Team managers, other coaches, doctors and physiotherapists are considered like supplementary members of team and all their costs will be covered by respective NF. Substitution of the player is allowed in case of injury or "force majeure".

Respective proof/documentation must be presented to the local organizer representative before the start of the Preliminary Inquiry of the respective event.

## **ARTICLE 8. ORGANIZER & OFFICIALS**

If the hosting National Federation is not the organizer of an event taking place within its jurisdiction it must necessarily consent in the organization of the event.

The Organizing National federation appoints a official representative and local technical Supervisor and local referees for the Championship.

## **ARTICLE 9. ACCOMMODATION, LODGING, TRANSPORTATION, VISAS**

The hotel of the teams shall be in walking distance from the venue. If it takes longer than 15 minutes to walk, a shuttle service must be provided, circulating accordingly.

Accommodation has to be arranged for the officially registered delegations and by the request of federations also for other members of federations. Local organizer one day before starting and one day ending of the competition will cover expenses of accommodation, lodging of official delegation (article 7 of these Regulations), for other members, federations will pay by themselves.

Participating delegations are responsible for their international travel costs and visa as well. Each team must organize its own return travel to the official venue of arrival/departure indicated by the organizer of the event. The Organizer shall provide local transport from the official venue of arrival and departure to the hotel and back for the Officials, referees, players, coaches.

The travel schedules of all teams have to be organized in such a way that they are present at the Preliminary Inquiry.

All delegations officially admitted to participate in this event shall receive in due time an invitation letter for visa purposes.

The above National Federation has to ensure that a visa shall be granted to their delegation to enter its territory and that they can participate in the Championship without any discrimination. The Organizer shall arrange the hotel accommodation (good category) in double rooms equipped with bathrooms and toilets and food for all players for a period from the official arrival day until the official departure day.

The Organizer shall arrange the hotel accommodation (good category) and food for official delegation per NF in double rooms equipped with bathrooms and toilets shared, for a period from the official arrival day until the official departure day.

Optional single rooms must be arranged with the organizer. Accommodation shall meet overall standards of hygiene and tidiness.

The Organizer must provide a breakfast, lunch and dinner per day. The Organizer must provide an adequate quantity of mineral water or soft drinks per person with every meal.

In case of necessity, covering of lodging, meals expenses of local referees is also responsibility of Organizer.

## **ARTICLE 10. MEETINGS**

The teams, wishing to take part in the Championships have to attend the Preliminary Inquiry and Technical Meeting. Players, who do not arrive or arrive late for the Preliminary Inquiry and/or Technical meeting and have not received the authorization of the local Technical Supervisor, will be excluded from the event.

During the Preliminary Inquiry has to be present players' uniforms and Health Certificate for Beach Volleyball players.

## **ARTICLE 11. COMPETITIONS SYSTEM**

Competitions system during the Championship mostly has to follow to the official CEV/FIVB competitions, but finally will be defined by Organizer together with EEVZA Office, depending of the final amount of participants, officially registered by participating National federations.

## **ARTICLE 12. COMPETITION METHODS IN DIFFERENT ROUNDS/PHASES**

The Championships consists of a Preliminary Round followed by Classification Matches to determine the places from 9th till 16th and Final Phase for the best eight teams for both genders. Each country can enter to the Championships maximum two teams per gender. The number of participating teams in the Championships is sixteen per gender. In case some National Federations will not use their right to register two teams per gender the Organizing Federation will fill the roster.

In case no 16 teams per gender registered, Organizer with EEVZA Office takes final decision concerning competitions methods

## **ARTICLE 13. ALLOCATION OF TEAMS & DRAWING OF LOTS**

Once all the participating teams are known and have confirmed their presence, during the Technical Meeting, the teams will be seeded in the competition bracket according to the results of the drawing.

## **ARTICLE 14. MATCH PROGRAM**

The Match Program of each competition day is decided by the local Technical Supervisor (Organizer) and announced in the Daily Bulletin. If necessary, modifications to the Match Program may only be decided by the Technical Supervisor at any time. Modifications must be communicated to the teams concerned immediately. In any case there must be no less than three minutes for the team's warm-up on the official courts before the beginning of each match.

In case no warm-up courts are available during the event, teams are allocated a warm-up time of 10 minutes on the assigned court.

The minimum break time between two matches played consecutively by the same team must be at least thirty (30) minutes. The local Technical Supervisor has the authority to prolong the break in case of special circumstances.

Each team may not play more than four (4) matches per day during the Championship. The local Technical Supervisor has the authority to request from the players to play more than four (4) times in one day in order to recover from any interruptions in case of special circumstances.

## **ARTICLE 15. CLASSIFICATION OF THE TEAMS**

The teams are ranked as follows: first, second, third, fourth place, two fifths places, two seventh places, ninth place, tenth place, eleventh place, twelfths place, two thirteenth places, two fifteenth places. In case of less the 16 teams are participate, classification will be defined accordingly.

## **ARTICLE 16. EQUIPMENT & FACILITIES**

The equipment and the facilities have to be according to the FIVB Official Beach Volleyball Rules. The Organizer must arrange that in case of necessity courts are available for trainings to participants on the day before the start of the Competitions.

## **ARTICLE 17. TEAM UNIFORMS**

Shirts and shorts must comply with the provisions of the Chapter 4, Article J.5 and J.6 of the FIVB World Tour Handbook. The team members must wear the shirts and shorts in same style and same color. Each participating federation is responsible for the uniforms for their spots.

## **ARTICLE 18. ENTRY/CONTRIBUTION FEE**

Entry/Contribution fee will be follows EEVZA Competition Regulations 2010 conditions.

## **ARTICLE 19. REFEREES**

Referees, officiating the Championship will be nominated by Organizing federation. Pocket money for the referees, nominated by Organizer will be covered by EEVZA (max. 12 persons x max 3 competition days x 50 EUR). Organizer depending of the registered teams has to inform EEVZA Office about amount of nominated referees and competitions days.

## **ARTICLE 20. BALLS**

For the Championships the ball to be used is the MIKASA VLS 300. Concerned balls for the Organizer for the competition will be provided by EEVZA Office.

## **ARTICLE 21. ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS**

In competition & technical matters the following documents could be used additionally:

FIVB Official Beach Volleyball Rules

FIVB Sports Regulations

FIVB Beach Volleyball Handbook

CEV General Regulations

CEV Code of Discipline

CEV Beach Volleyball Handbook

## **ARTICLE 22. TRANSMISSION OF RESULTS & MARKETING**

At least in the end of each day of the event the results have to be faxed and emailed to the EEVZA Office. The transmission must include the match number, the teams, the score, the starting time, the duration. Daily bulletin has to be prepared and delivered to all participating delegations.

EEVZA advertising banner have to be prepared and installed on the central court. Photos with high resolution of the tournament (at least 10) have to be forwarded to EEVZA Office in the first working day after the ending of the tournament.

## **ARTICLE 23. FINES**

### **UNSPORTSMANLIKE BEHAVIOUR**

Any player or member of a delegation committing offences likely to entail his disqualification, or behaving in an unsportsmanlike manner during an Championship event, shall be liable to sanctions in accordance with art. 5.2.2. of CEV Code of Discipline.

Cases of Referee's and/or equipment abuses (i.e.: shouting, pointing at Referees, kicking the ball, pulling the net, aggression, etc.) are subject to sanctions established in the FIVB administrative and Financial Regulations and may lead to the disqualification of the player/team.

## **ARTICLE 24. DOPING CONTROL**

Players refusing to undergo doping control are automatically disqualified. The team concerned will lose the match(es) to its opponent by 0-2 (0-21, 0-21). Players who are found positive at the drug test may be suspended by separate decision of EEVZA. Any Ranking points related to the event concerned are respectively not given and removed.

## **ARTICLE 25. PROTESTS**

Protests will be raised and dealt with according to EEVZA Regulations 2010.

## **ARTICLE 26. PRIZE OF HONOUR**

### **EEVZA CHAMPION**

The team carrying off the title of EEVZA Champion shall receive a cup and a diploma from the organizing National Federation. Players having take part shall receive gold medals and a diploma from the organizing National Federation.

TEAMS CLASSIFIED 2nd & 3rd

Players classified second and third shall receive prizes of honors and diplomas from the organizing National Federation and respectively silver and bronze medals and a diploma from the organizing National Federation. Medals to Organizers will be delivered by EEVZA Office.

#### **ARTICLE 24. CASES NOT FORESEEN**

All cases not provided for by the current regulations shall be settled by the EEVZA Executive Committee. Before and during the event the Technical Supervisor shall be empowered to take immediate action whenever necessary.