CEV U22 Volleyball European Championship 2028

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1. Introduction

The European Volleyball Confederation is pleased to open the registration for the 4th edition of the CEV U22 Women / U22 Men Volleyball European Championships, with qualifiers due to take place in the summer 2027 and the Final Phase to follow in the summer of 2028.

The **Final Phase** scheduled for 2028 will be taking place as follows (exact dates will be shared in due time):

- Women – July 2028 (exact dates TBC) - organiser pending (TBD)
- Men – July 2028 (exact dates TBC) - organiser pending (TBD)

The Final Phase will feature eight teams in each gender – as it was played since the first edition of the latter championships organised in 2022.

The format of the respective qualifiers depends on the total number of registered teams. A maximum of four teams will be playing in the same qualifying pool, with the number of pools to be confirmed after the end of the registration process depending on the total number of registered teams.

The latest ranking for the U22 Men and U22 Women age groups will be taken into account to define the pool composition in the qualifiers.

It remains the sole responsibility of the NFs to respect all Communications, Regulations, Guidelines, and any other institutional decisions to guarantee the delivery of correct, accurate and complete data at any time that these are required.

This Competition will be organised according to the latest version of the CEV Volleyball Competitions Regulations:

https://inside.cev.eu/documents/volleyball-documents/

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the CEV Volleyball Department.
A 'Volleyball Hotline' is available under this number +352 621 25 34 44 should you need any assistance when matches are played at the weekend or in the evening.

2. Age Limit

Based on the relevant CEV Board of Administration decision, the CEV U22 Volleyball European Championships 2028 (Women/Men) will be open to:

Female and Male players (U22):

Born on 1st January 2007 or thereafter

Please note that athletes of National Federations from Categories 4 & 5 can only participate in two age-group competitions (including senior) per year.

3. Registration procedure and deadline

The registration for this edition will be done through the CEV Database using the following form:

01CH (Team Registration)

The registration deadline for closing and sending the above-mentioned form is set for:

Friday, December 18, 2026 - at 23:59 CET

After closing the form on-line, National Federations must click 'Print Form' and then sign and stamp the paper copy and send it by post to the CEV Office.

On this form, there are tick boxes to inform CEV if the respective National Federation intends to apply to organise one of the qualification tournaments (though a separate application form needs to be sent to CEV – see page 5 of this Official Communication).

For any assistance you may need while completing the registration form, please do not hesitate to contact the CEV Volleyball Department at nationalteams@cev.eu.

4. The Competition Window

As previously mentioned in this very same document, the format and number of teams involved in the qualification process depends on the total number of registered teams.

The teams representing the host countries of the Final Phase for U22 Women and for U22 Men will be automatically qualified for the Final Phase of the competition. This means that seven spots will be at stake in the summer of 2027 to qualify for the Final Phase.

Phase		Dates
Qualification Phase	WOMEN	01 - 04 July 2027
Final Phase		July 2028 (exact dates TBC)
Qualification Phase	MEN	08 – 11 July 2027
Final Phase		July 2028 (exact dates TBC)

5. Application to organise Qualification tournament

Any National Federation wishing to apply to organise a Qualification tournament must complete and return the relevant paper form (see below) at the latest on December 18th, 2026, by email to nationalteams@cev.eu.

CH-02b-U22 (Application for Organising U22 Qualification Tournament)

Confédération Européenne de Volleyball	CEV U22 VOLLEYBALL EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP 2028	*CEV Form* CH-02b U22

QUALIFICATION TOURNAMENT APPLICATION FORM

The National Federation of .....

- Officially applies to organise a tournament for the Qualification Phase of the:

CEV U22 VOLLEYBALL EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP 2028 – MEN	(8th – 10th July 2027)	☐
	(9th – 11th July 2027)	☐
CEV U22 VOLLEYBALL EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP 2028 - WOMEN	(1st – 3rd July 2027)	☐
	(2nd – 4th July 2027)	☐

- Proposes the following:
  Host city:... Official airport of arrival/departure: .....
  Competition Hall: ..... with CEV ID-card number: .....
  For a new Competition Hall, please see Chapter 8, Article 60. of the CEV Volleyball Competitions Regulations.

By signing this application form and in case it is appointed as a tournament organiser, the National Federation agrees and/or acknowledges the following:

a) To irrevocably, fully and unconditionally organise all the matches of the tournament in the places and dates laid down in this form; according to the CEV Regulatory framework, in particular the CEV Volleyball Competitions Regulations.

b) To do its utmost to promote the tournament on an international level and have the greatest possible attendance during all matches; by using the most appropriate means, with a sense of financial moderation,

c) Fully understands all requirements for the organisation of the tournament and the enforcement of points a) and b). For this purpose, it carefully read the CEV Volleyball Competitions Regulations and Organiser Guidelines.

d) Guarantees that each, any and all of its members, officials, representatives, employees, individuals registered via a licence or under the authority of and partners involved directly or indirectly in the organisation of the tournament agree and acknowledge mutatis mutandis the points a), b) and c),

e) The representative signing this form has been fully authorised to sign it on its behalf,

f) To be accepted, this form shall be completed and sent by email to the CEV Volleyball Department (nationalteams@cev.eu) no later than Friday 18th December, 2026 (23h59 CET). The original shall also be sent by post.

Date: .....
National Federation President *(Name, signature and NF seal)*:

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