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1. Introduction

The European Volleyball Confederation is pleased to open the registration procedure for the the 2027 edition of the CEV U20 Volleyball European Championship for both genders.

As per the decision of the CEV Board of Administrators taken in March 2026, two updates regarding the format of the CEV U20 Volleyball European Championship final phase and the CEV U20 Volleyball European League have been adopted, as further outlined in this Official Communication.

As with the previous editions, the Final Phase of the stated competions will be played with 16 teams.

The organisation of the respective Final Phase has been granted as follows:

- Men U20 – in Osijek (CRO) and Podgorica (MNE) on 17/07 – 25/07/2027
- Women U20 – Cagliari (ITA) and Cospicua (MLT) on 08-17/07/2027

This Championship will be managed and processed through the CEV database and therefore we ask all National Federations to apply the necessary accuracy while working with it.

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

The regulations in force are the newly updated 'CEV Volleyball Competitions Regulations', these are available as an online PDF document here:

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Through the same above link you can also access the subsequent 'Official Communications' that are available as an online PDF document, as well as the last version of the 'CEV Organisation Guidelines for National Team Competitions'.

If you have any questions at any time please contact the CEV Volleyball Department.

For this competition, those working on it while matches are being played have the support of the 'Competitions Hotline': +352 621 25 34 44

2. Registration procedure and deadline

The registration for this edition will be done through the CEV Database by using the CEV form 01CH (Team Registration).

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

Monday April 20th, 2026, at 23:59 CEST

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

This must also be sent with a postmark dated on or before the above-mentioned deadline for the registration to be valid.

On this form there are tick boxes to inform CEV if the respective National Federation intends to apply to organise one of the 2nd Round qualification tournaments and/or the CEV U20 Volleyball European League organisation. However, the definitive application forms and required procedure for applying to organise a tournament will be sent to all NFs after the registrations are confirmed.

Each National Federation not qualified to the final phase is required to confirm its participation for the CEV U20 Volleyball European League to the CEV in due time, upon request.

For any assistance on filling the registration form, please do not hesitate to contact the CEV Volleyball Department nationalteams@cev.eu.

3. Age limit

According to the Official Regulations, the CEV U20 Volleyball European Championship 2027 edition will only be open to:

Female and Male players who are:

Born on 1st January 2008 or thereafter

4. Competition format and dates

The 2027 competition will be structured and include a Qualification phase and a Final Phase. The Qualification phase includes a 1st and a 2nd Round as follows:

1st Round Qualifiers (Zonal)

The 1st Round Qualifiers will be organised in each of the six CEV Zonal Associations. Following the registration, CEV will inform each zone about the exact number of their member National Federations who have registered for participation.

Moreover, further to a decision made by the CEV Board of Administration, **a minimum of 40%** of the respective member National Federations have to register for participation in order for the zonal event to count as a 1st Round Qualifier for the European Championship. The host(s) of the Final Phase are not allowed to participate in the qualification process.

If one or more Zonal Associations fail to fulfil this requirement, depending on the total number of teams registered for participation in the championship, their teams might:

- have to join those from another zone to compete in the first stage of the qualification process
- join a qualifying round including teams from different zones put together.

Each Zonal Association shall organise their qualification stage according to the calendar set by CEV for **this round starting earliest 17th August 2026 and completing it by latest before 31st October 2026.**

In each tournament, the first placed team from the respective zone qualifies directly to the Final Phase.

2nd Round Qualifiers

The 2nd Round Qualifiers are organised with a maximum of 20 National Federations who competed but did not qualify from the 1st Round Qualifers to the Final Phase.

At this stage, the number of the granted vacancies per Zone (quotas) in the 2nd Round Qualifers depends on the total number of the registered teams. The team quota per Zone to qualify to 2nd Round is based on the percentage of overall European Ranking points per Zone calculated based on participating teams and will be comunicated in the next Official Communications.

COMPETITION FORMAT:

- The 2nd Round Qualifiers will be played using the single round robin tournaments format (i.e. one tournament "one against each other").
- Each 2nd Round Qualifier will be played with minimum three and maximum four teams.
- The teams in each 2nd Round Qualifier will play one tournament over three competition days:
  - Tournament with 3 teams: each team will play 2 competition days
  - Tournament with 4 teams: each team will play 3 competition days

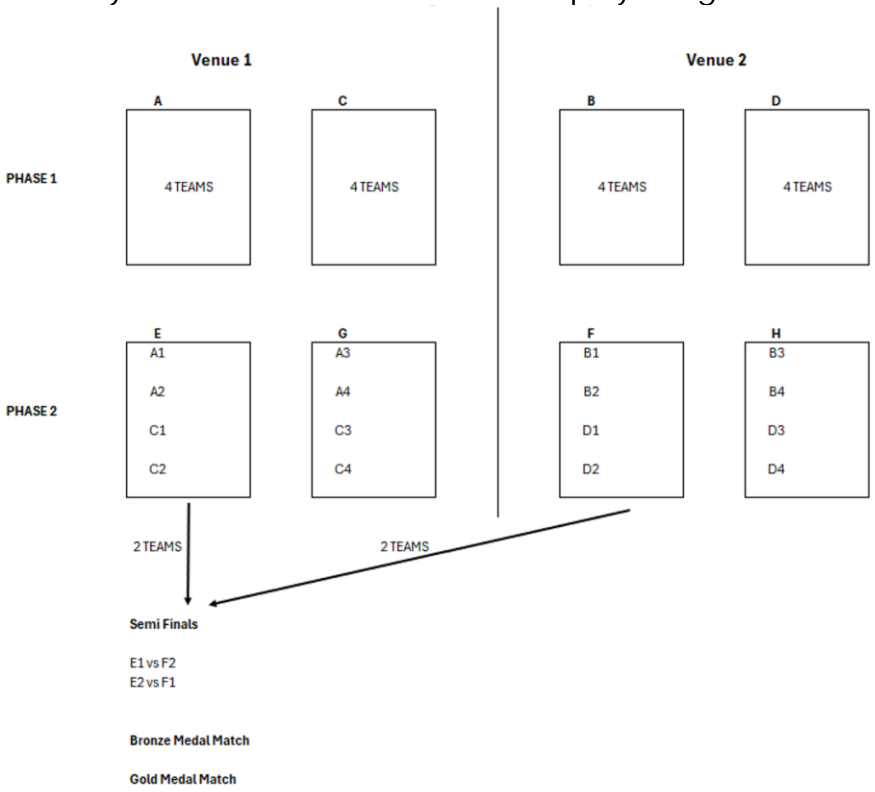
- Each of the National Federations involved has the right to apply for the organisation of the tournament.
- Should more than one National Federation apply for the organisation, the organisers will be drawn by the CEV. Or should no National Federation apply for the organisation, the organiser will be drawn by the CEV.
- In each pool, the first best placed team qualifies to the Final Phase. In case of a vacancy in the Final Phase, the next best placed team(s) across all pools not qualifed yet will qualify to the Final Phase.

QUALIFICATION DATES

Round	European Championships
1st Round Qualifiers (organised by Zones)	Between 17th August and 31st October 2026
2nd Round Qualifiers	14th – 17th January 2027 Men 21st – 24th January 2027 Women

FINAL PHASE NEW FORMAT

The Final Round will maintain a format with 16 participating teams, divided into 4 pools of 4 teams after a Drawing of Lots. This Final Round will include a two-phase pool stage, followed by a final phase featuring the semi-finals (1–4) and the Bronze and Gold Medal matches. In Phase 2, each team will carry over the result from the match played against the team from their own pool.



5. 1st Round Qualifiers - Format and dates

Following the receipt of the confirmed list of registered teams, each Zonal Association must confirm to CEV their competition structure and dates by 26th June 2026 regarding the 1st Round Qualifiers.

6. 2nd Round Qualifiers

Following the completion of the 1st Round Qualifiers, CEV will confirm the teams qualified to the 2nd Round. Those 2nd Round pools will be defined by the Serpentine System, once the 2nd Round organisers are known and seeded as head of those 2nd Round pools.

7. 2nd Round Qualifiers - Organiser application

Forms to apply to organise the 2nd Round qualifiers will be sent to all participating teams in due time. The deadline to apply for the organisation of such tournaments will be shared through those same forms.

8. CEV U20 Volleyball European League

1. Period

The preferred competition period shall be determined in accordance with **Article 13.2 §2** of the CEV Volleyball Competitions Regulations.
The proposed dates would run in parallel with the Final Phase of the respective category. However, a certain degree of flexibility should be maintained to allow alignment with the needs of the eventual organiser.

2. Competition Format

The proposed tournament format foresees the participation of **eight (8) teams**, following a structure similar to the current U22 Finals:

- Two pools of four teams each
- Semi-finals
- Bronze medal match
- Gold medal match

Should the number of registered teams be lower, the tournament may still be organised provided that at least **six (6) teams** participate.

3. Eligibility Criteria

- Participation in the CEV U20 Volleyball European League is **not mandatory.**
- Eligible teams shall consist of the organiser + **first seven (7) non-qualified teams following the 2nd qualification round.**
- Should a team allocated a place in the CEV U20 Volleyball European League decline participation, the slot shall be reallocated to the next best-ranked team after the 2nd Round.
- If the slot is eventually allocated to a team eliminated in the 1st qualification round, priority shall be given based on the **CEV European Ranking** of the respective category, as results from zonal rounds are not comparable.

4. Hosting and Application Procedure

- Each National Federation not qualified to the final phase is required to confirm its participation for the CEV U20 Volleyball European League with its respective Zonal Association, which will then forward the relevant information to the CEV.
- The application process for hosting the event shall follow this timeline:
    - Hosting applications open immediately after completion of the **1st qualification round** for those not progressing to the 2nd Round.
    - Application deadline set prior to the start of the **2nd qualification round.**
- Although this timeline may place teams eliminated in the 2nd round at a disadvantage, they would still be allowed to submit hosting applications in advance.
- In the absence of valid hosting applications from 1st round participants not qualified to the 2nd Round, the bidding process shall remain open until completion of the 2nd qualification round.

5. Ranking Points Allocation

Ranking points shall be awarded according to the final competition standings in the following order of priority:

1. Final Phase
2. CEV U20 Volleyball European League
3. 2nd Round Qualifiers
4. 1st Round (Zonal qualifiers)

For more details see Article 172.2.1 §2 of the CEV Volleyball Competitions Regulations.

9. FIVB U21 World Championships 2028

The FIVB will inform all NFs accordingly regarding the calendar and Continental quotas for this event.

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1. Teams Registered

The teams listed below have been registered (by 20/04/2026) for participating in the CEV U20 Volleyball European Championship 2027 (Men/Women).

STATUS OF TEAMS REGISTERED		U20 WOMEN			U20 MEN	
Level where the team will start the Championship		Country/ NF	↓ CEV European Ranking List as per 19/08/2024 Position/Total points (Zone)		Country/ NF	↓ CEV European Ranking List as per 09/09/2024 Position/Total points (Zone)
① The organisers are directly qualified to the Final Round	1	ITA	1/198 (WEVZA) + ORG.	1	CRO	19/110 (MEVZA) + ORG.
	2	MLT	NP./0 (SCA) + ORG.	2	MNE	26/88 (BVA) + ORG.
② Teams starting competition from the 1st Round	3	TUR	2/192 (BVA)	3	RUS*	1*/200 (EEVZA)
	4	POL	3/190 (EEVZA)	4	BUL	1/194 (BVA)
	5	SRB	4/186 (BVA)	5	FRA	2/192 (WEVZA)
	6	BLR*	4*/182 (EEVZA)	6	ITA	2/192 (WEVZA)
	7	CRO	5/176 (MEVZA)	7	POL	4/184 (EEVZA)
	8	NED	6/172 (WEVZA)	8	CZE	5/182 (MEVZA)
	9	FIN	7/168 (NEVZA)	9	BLR*	5*/180 (EEVZA)
	10	SLO	8/164 (MEVZA)	10	SLO	6/172 (MEVZA)
	11	ESP	9/142 (WEVZA)	11	FIN	7/168 (NEVZA)
	12	ROU	11/138 (BVA)	12	SRB	8/166 (BVA)
	13	RUS*	9*/130 (EEVZA)	13	TUR	11/144 (BVA)
	14	CZE	13/124 (MEVZA)	14	ISR	12/142 (MEVZA)
	15	BUL	14/122 (BVA)	15	POR	13/140 (WEVZA)
	16	AUT	15/112 (MEVZA)	16	SVK	14/134 (MEVZA)
	17	UKR	16/110 (EEVZA)	17	ESP	15/132 (WEVZA)
	18	SVK	16/110 (MEVZA)	18	UKR	16/128 (EEVZA)
	19	EST	16/110 (EEVZA)	19	GER	17/114 (WEVZA)
	20	SWE	20/106 (NEVZA)	20	NED	17/114 (WEVZA)
	21	SUI	21/100 (WEVZA)	21	LAT	19/110 (EEVZA)
	22	GER	22/88 (WEVZA)	22	NOR	19/110 (NEVZA)
	23	HUN	22/88 (MEVZA)	23	DEN	22/108 (NEVZA)
	24	NOR	24/86 (NEVZA)	24	AUT	24/106 (MEVZA)
	25	FRA	26/78 (WEVZA)	25	EST	25/90 (EEVZA)
	26	MKD	26/78 (BVA)	26	SUI	26/88 (WEVZA)
	27	POR	28/74 (WEVZA)	27	SWE	28/86 (NEVZA)
	28	IRL	29/70 (SCA)	28	SCO	29/70 (SCA)
	29	DEN	30/60 (NEVZA)	29	HUN	30/58 (MEVZA)
	30	LAT	31/58 (EEVZA)	30	IRL	32/30 (SCA)
	31	ISR	33/52 (MEVZA)	31	NIR	33/28 (SCA)
	32	BIH	34/32 (BVA)	32	ENG	37/24 (NEVZA)
	33	ISL	36/26 (SCA)	33	ISL	38/22 (SCA)
	34	AZE	37/24 (EEVZA)	34	LUX	39/20 (MEVZA)
	35	ENG	37/24 (NEVZA)	35	GEO	40/0 (EEVZA)
	36	FAR	39/22 (SCA)	36	ARM	NP./0 (EEVZA)
	37	GEO	41/0 (EEVZA)	37	CYP	NP./0 (MEVZA)
	38	ARM	NP./0 (EEVZA)	38	MKD	NP./0 (BVA)
	39	CYP	NP./0 (MEVZA)			
	40	MON	NP./0 (SCA)			
	41	NIR	NP./0 (SCA)			
	42	SCO	NP./0 (SCA)			
	43	SMR	NP./0 (SCA)			

*Since RUS and BLR rankings have been frozen since their latest participation in this age group, their ranking points have been taken from the respective CEV European National Team Ranking in this same age category as of 01.12.2020 (at that time, the women's competition was open to U19 players).

2. Vacancies 2nd Round

The 2nd Round is organised with participation of maximum 20 National Federations, whose teams have not managed to progress to the Final Round via the 1st Round qualifiers run by the respective Zonal Associations.

The winners of the zonal qualifiers organized by BVA, EEVZA, MEVZA, NEVZA, WEVZA and SCA will all claim a spot in the Final Round of the competition.

In the 2nd Round, National Federations are allocated to pools comprising of four teams. **The five 2nd Round pool winners and two or three* runners-up will all progress to the Final Round in the respective U20 women's and U20 men's competition. The allocation of the number of teams qualified from 2nd Round to the Final Round will be defined after completion of the 1st Round qualifiers.**

The number of vacancies per Zonal Association in the 2nd Round qualifiers reflects each Zone's contribution (%) to the total number of registered teams and their cumulative ranking points. Therefore, the vacancies per Zonal Association are as follows:

	BVA	EEVZA	MEVZA	NEVZA	WEVZA	SCA	
U20 Women	6	3	4	2	4	1	20
U20 Men	5*)	3	4	2	5	1	20

*Following the decision of the CEV Board of Administration on 16 May 2026, RUS and BLR entry and ranking points are moved to another zone than the EEVZA, and the quota calculations have been adjusted accordingly.

If either Russia or Belarus wins the BVA tournament, both the winner and the best BVA team will qualify directly for the Final Phase, resulting in two direct qualifiers from the zone instead of one. Consequently, the total number of teams qualifying from the First Round increases from six to seven.

To maintain the overall competition structure, the number of teams advancing from the Second Round is therefore reduced from eight to seven, while the number of available spots within the Second Round itself (20 teams) remains unchanged. As a result, in the Final Round, the two organisers and up to seven teams from the First Round will be joined by the five Second Round pool winners and the two or three best runners-up.

*) Theoretically, as per the above criteria, BVA should have 5 vacancies in the men's second round, as their 1st Round zonal qualifier features 6 teams (as one of their member Federations is hosting the Final Round). If both RUS or BLR and another BVA team qualify directly to the Final Round, only four teams remain – and these will all continue their journey in the competition in the 2nd Round.

Therefore, the vacancy not taken by BVA will eventually go to the team not yet qualified for the 2nd Round with the highest position in the U20 Men's European Ranking across all zones. This will be defined after completion of all 1st Round zonal qualifiers.

3. 1st Round Qualifiers - Format and dates

Each Zonal Association must confirm to CEV their competition structure and dates by 26th June 2026 regarding the 1st Round Qualifiers.

4. Media Rights & Streaming Production (1st Round)

Should the Organizer wish to produce and live stream matches of the CEV Competition, please reach out to tv@cev.eu and digital@cev.eu to receive further information on media rights granting and broadcasting / streaming requirements.

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1. Implementation of FIVB Rule Tests 2026

We would like to kindly inform all participants that, on 23 September 2026, the CEV Board of Administration approved the implementation of the rule tests endorsed by the FIVB Board of Administration in CEV competitions, including the CEV U20 Volleyball European Championship 2027.

The implementation enters into force as of Monday, September 28, 2026, thereby ensuring that the same rules are maintained throughout the competition moving forward.

For the sake of clarity, the complete list and details of the rules included in the 2026 FIVB Rule Tests can be found under the following link: FIVB Board of Administration approves rule tests for 2026 competitions – FIVB

It should also be noted that the implementation of the tested rules is subject to the conditions established by the relevant FIVB and CEV regulations. In particular, where the application of a rule requires technological support, it shall only apply where the required technology is available and operational, in accordance with the FIVB Video Challenge Regulations 2026. Furthermore, the application of certain tested rules may be subject to the physical characteristics and layout of the competition venue and court and shall therefore only be implemented where the court layout allows for their proper application (i.e. coach to speak to the first referee).

CEV considers that this approach will provide the necessary regulatory certainty for all stakeholders and, most importantly, ensure a consistent and uniform application of the Rules of the Game across all European Volleyball competitions throughout the 2026/2027 season.

2. Host a 2nd Round qualifier of the CEV U20 Volleyball European Championship 2027 (Men/Women)

Should your National Federation be interested in hosting a 2nd Round qualifier (between 14-17/01/2027 for **Men**, and between 21-24/01/2027 for **Women**), please apply before the set deadline: 3rd November 2026, 23:59 CET.
Should your team not progress any further in the competition after completion of the 1st Round run by your respective Zonal Association, your application will be disregarded. Please refer to the Official Communication no. 2 to retrieve an overview of the number of vacancies available per Zonal Association in the second-round qualifiers.

Even though some of the 1st Round qualifiers are still due to take place until the end of October 2026, we are already sharing with you the application form you need to return should you wish to host one of the second-round qualifiers. This is being done in order to speed up the process of confirming the organisers of the second-round qualifiers, since the 1st Round will be completed in late October and the second round of qualifications is due to take place already in early January.

As per the Official Communication no. 2, we remind you that National Federations will be seeded as heads of the 2nd Round qualifiers they are due to host and the remaining teams will be placed across the groups according to the serpentine system (which is based on the respective CEV U20 European Ranking).

Please find below the **CEV form CH-02b U20(ECH2027)**. Should you have any questions regarding this competition, you are always welcome to contact us at nationalteams@cev.eu

Confédération Européenne de Volleyball	**CEV U20 VOLLEYBALL EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP 2027**	*CEV Form* **CH-02b**

2nd ROUND TOURNAMENT APPLICATION FORM

The National Federation of .....

- Officially applies to organise a tournament for the 2nd Round of the:

CEV U20 VOLLEYBALL EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP 2027 – MEN	(14th – 16th January 2027)	☐
	(15th – 17th January 2027)	☐
CEV U20 VOLLEYBALL EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP 2027 - WOMEN	(21st – 23rd January 2027)	☐
	(22nd – 24th January 2027)	☐

- Proposes the following:

Host city:..... Official venue of arrival/departure: .....

Competition Hall: ..... with CEV ID-card number: .....

For a new Competition Hall, please see 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), b) and c). 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), c) and d),

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 November 03, 2026 (23h59 CET). The original shall also be sent by post.

Date: .....

National Federation President *(Name, signature and NF stamp)*:

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1. Teams qualified from 1st Round directly to Final Rounds, and 2nd Round vacancies

After completion of the first-round qualifiers organised by the respective Zonal Association, the following teams have secured their participation in the Final Round:

STATUS OF TEAMS	#	U20 WOMEN		#	U20 MEN	
Level where the team will start the Championship		Country/ NF	↓ CEV European Ranking List as per 19/08/2024 Position		Country/ NF	↓ CEV European Ranking List as per 09/09/2024 Position
① The organiser(s) is/are directly qualified to the Final Round	1	ITA	ORG.	1	CRO	ORG.
	2	MLT	ORG.	2	MNE	ORG.
② Teams qualified to the Final Rd. (as per 1st Round qualification)	3	RUS	9 / BVA 1.	3	EST	25 / EEVZA 1.
	4	TUR	2 / BVA 2.	4	FRA	2 / WEVZA 1.
	5	GER	22 / WEVZA 1.	5	RUS	1 / BVA 1.
	6	FIN	7 / NEVZA 1.	6	BUL	1 / BVA 2.
	7	CZE	13 / MEVZA 1.	7	CZE	5 / MEVZA 1.
	8	ISL	36 / SCA 1.	8	FIN	7 / NEVZA 1.
	9	POL	3 / EEVZA 1.	9	ISL	38 / SCA 1.
③ Teams qualified to the Final Round (from the 2nd Round qualification)	10		Pool A winner	10		Pool A winner
	11		Pool B winner	11		Pool B winner
	12		Pool C winner	12		Pool C winner
	13		Pool D winner	13		Pool D winner
	14		Pool E winner	14		Pool E winner
	15		Best 2nd placed	15		Best 2nd placed
	16		2nd Best 2nd placed	16		2nd Best 2nd placed

The remaining spots (from 10 to 16) will be at stake in the second round of qualifications scheduled for January 14-17, 2027 for Men and January 21-24, 2027 for Women.

2. 2nd Round: U20W: Organizers, dates, venues and CEV Officials

The 2nd Round venues and dates are hereby confirmed, the CEV officials were appointed, the Referee Coaches and referees will be set directly to the pools by the ERC and those will be available inside the CEV database.

U20 WOMEN	Pool A	Pool B
Organiser:	SERBIA	CROATIA
Competition Date:	21-23/01/2027	22-24/01/2027
Competition City:	Ruma	Zadar
Competition Hall:	SPC Ruma	OS Zadarski Otoci
City of Airport:	Belgrade	Zadar
CEV Supervisor:	Zoran JESIC (BIH)	Gregor HUMERCA (SLO)
CEV Referee Coach:	Piotr DUDEK (POL)	Laszlo HERPAI (HUN)
Teams:	SERBIA (SRB) ROMANIA (ROU) UKRAINE (UKR) SAN MARINO (SMR)	CROATIA (CRO) SPAIN (ESP) SLOVAKIA (SVK) BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA (BIH)
Referees:	TBD by the ERC (direct database)	TBD by the ERC (direct database)

U20 WOMEN	Pool C	Pool D
Organiser:	BULGARIA	LATVIA
Competition Date:	22-24/01/2027	22-24/01/2027
Competition City:	Sofia	Riga
Competition Hall:	Hristo Botev	Olympic Sports Centre Hall
City of Airport:	Sofia	Riga
CEV Supervisor:	Filip MORAVCIK (SVK)	Leif SONNESEN (DEN)
CEV Referee Coach:	Fabrice COLLADOS (FRA)	Boris KOLAREVIC (SRB)
Teams:	BULGARIA (BUL) SLOVENIA (SLO) ESTONIA (EST) DENMARK (DEN)	LATVIA (LAT) THE NETHERLANDS (NED) SWITZERLAND (SUI) FRANCE (FRA)
Referees:	TBD by the ERC (direct database)	TBD by the ERC (direct database)

U20 WOMEN	Pool E
Organiser:	NORTH MACEDONIA
Competition Date:	21-23/01/2027
Competition City:	Skopje
Competition Hall:	SC Jane Sandanski
City of Airport:	Skopje
CEV Supervisor:	Ivan BOSKOVIC (MNE)
CEV Referee Coach:	André JUNGEN (GER)
Teams:	NORTH MACEDONIA (MKD) BELARUS (BLR) HUNGARY (HUN) NORWAY (NOR)
Referees:	TBD by the ERC (direct database)

3. 2nd Round: U20M: Organizers, dates, venues and CEV Officials

The 2nd Round venues and dates are hereby confirmed, and the appointed International Referees will be set directly to the pools by the ERC and those will be available inside the CEV database.

U20 MEN	Pool A	Pool B
Organiser:	ITALY	POLAND
Competition Date:	15-17/01/2027	15-17/01/2027
Competition City:	Campobasso	Elbląg
Competition Hall:	PalaUnimol	Hala Sportowo-Widowiskowa
City of Airport:	Naples	Gdansk
CEV Supervisor:	Martje TERLINGEN (NED)	Nicolaas HOEBEN (NED)
CEV Referee Coach:	Onur HOSNUT (TUR)	Aleksandar VINALIEV (BUL)
Teams:	ITALY (ITA) ISRAEL (ISR) SLOVAKIA (SVK) IRELAND (IRL)	POLAND (POL) TÛRKIYE (TUR) SPAIN (ESP) SWEDEN (SWE)
Referees:	TBD by the ERC (direct database)	TBD by the ERC (direct database)

U20 MEN	Pool C	Pool D
Organiser:	PORTUGAL	LUXEMBOURG
Competition Date:	14-16/01/2027	15-17/01/2027
Competition City:	Vila do Conde	Luxembourg
Competition Hall:	Desportes V.d.C.	d'Coque
City of Airport:	Porto	Luxembourg
CEV Supervisor:	Luis MUCHAGA FLORES (ESP)	Chrystèle SIBILLA (FRA)
CEV Referee Coach:	Philippe SCHÜRMANN (LIE)	Benoît HORCHOLLE (FRA)
Teams:	PORTUGAL (POR) SERBIA (SRB) UKRAINE (UKR) AUSTRIA (AUT)	LUXEMBOURG (LUX) SLOVENIA (SLO) GERMANY (GER) LATVIA (LAT)
Referees:	TBD by the ERC (direct database)	TBD by the ERC (direct database)

U20 MEN	Pool E
Organiser:	NORTH MACEDONIA
Competition Date:	15-17/01/2027
Competition City:	Skopje
Competition Hall:	SC Jane Sandanski
City of Airport:	Skopje
CEV Supervisor:	Danilo MRDJA (SRB)
CEV Referee Coach:	Epaminondas GEROTHODOROS (GRE)
Teams:	NORTH MACEDONIA (MKD) BELARUS (BLR) THE NETHERLANDS (NED) NORWAY (NOR)
Referees:	TBD by the ERC (direct database)

As per Art. 2 of the Official Communication no. 2, BVA do not take one of their originally assigned slots in the second round due to the number of participating teams in their zonal qualifier. Therefore, this spot goes to the highest-ranked among the non-qualified teams from the 1st Round across all zones, with Slovakia (ranked no. 14) making it to the second round of qualifications as well.

4. 2nd Round: Administrative deadlines

Item:	Deadline:	Action:	Other information:
CEV 07 FORM	November 18th 2026	Organising National Federations are obliged to complete and send the paper CH-07-T Form to CEV for approval.	The CH-07-T Form is available inside the CEV Database under 'Federation Area – Downloads', for the organising National Federations only.
CEV 02 FORM	November 18th 2026	Organising National Federations are obliged to complete and close the 02 Form inside the CEV Database. (Organisational Chart)	The CEV 02 Form can be found inside the NF user areas of the CEV Database.
1st COMPETITION BULLETIN	November 23nd 2026	Organising National Federations are obliged to issue Competition Bulletin No. 1.	The Bulletin can be released after it has been approved by the CEV Office and the CEV Supervisor.
Application for advertising on uniforms	December 07th 2026	If applicable, all participating National Federations having advertisement on team uniforms are required to request the Certificate of Approval for advertising on uniforms.	The form can be found inside the CEV database "download area" and must be sent to: marketing@cev.eu
LED system application form	December 07th 2026	Organising National federations can apply for the use of LED system around the court.	The form must be downloaded from the download folder in the CEV Cloud: https://cloud.cev.eu/url/natteamsdown For further information see the Chapter "Led boarding system" in this document. Once compiled the form must be uploaded into the NF folder in the upload area and the graphics department be notified by emailing graphics@cev.eu.
PLAYER LICENSES (remaining players)	December 14th 2026	All participating National Federations are required to register any additional players (not already registered for the 1st Round) by applying for player licenses using the CEV 04 form within the set deadlines.	The CEV 04 Form can be found inside the NF user areas of the CEV Database.

TRAVEL TICKETS	December 31st 2026 (minimum 2 weeks before)	Organisers must ensure that the travel ticket(s) and/or the information as to when and where the tickets can be collected are with the CEV Supervisor, Referee Coach and Referees.	
PLAYERS 'LONG LIST'	December 31st 2026 (for Men) January 7th 2027 (for Women) (14 days before the start of the competition)	All participating National Federations are required to duly complete and close the CEV 05 Form ('TEAM REGISTRATION').	The CEV 05 Form can be found inside the NF user areas of the CEV Database. It is limited to a **maximum of 24 players**, out of which 14 will eventually participate in the tournament. After it is approved the CEV 05bis will be automatically created.
COMPETITION HANDBOOK	On the arrival of the Teams and CEV Officials at the Competition Site	Organisers are obliged to issue a Competition Handbook. The Competition Handbook can only be released after it has been approved by the appointed CEV Supervisor and the CEV Office.	
CEV 05bis FORM	Before each teams Preliminary Inquiry	Before attending their Preliminary Inquiry, each team must complete and close the CEV 05bis form inside the CEV Database. (FINAL TEAM REGISTRATION)	The **maximum 14 players** listed on the CEV 05bis form must have already featured on the CEV 05 form (i.e. the players 'long list').

AFTER THE COMPETITION			
FINAL COMPETITION BULLETIN	Immediately after the last match has finished (within 24 hrs)	Organisers are obliged to issue a Final Competition Bulletin.	This must include all results (using the Data Volley Statistics sheets for each match) and the final standing (using a CEV website print).

For all of the information about the meetings required onsite, see the CEV Volleyball Competitions Regulations.

Meeting	When	Main items to be covered
GENERAL ORGANISATION MEETING	On the arrival day of the CEV Supervisor	• Introductions • Information about the Competition Site(s) • Time schedule for pre-competition days • General Items • Financial Matters • Can be linked with the 'INITIAL COMPETITION HALL INSPECTION'
TEAM PRELIMINARY INQUIRIES	On the arrival day of the teams	• Final team/player participation • Accreditation Cards (*if applicable*) • Team Uniforms • Advertising on Team Uniforms Certificate *(if applicable)* • Health Certificates (M-3 Forms) • Anti-Doping Diplomas (FIVB Play Clean) • FIVB Manipulation Course (certificates) • FIVB Safeguarding Course (certificates) • Team Medical Doctor/Team Physiotherapist accreditations • Financial matters (e.g. Contribution Fee 130,- EUR per person per day) *Note: the Team Manager must have its National Federation's log in credentials for the CEV database in order to "sign" the relevant forms.*
FINAL COMPETITION HALL INSPECTION	At the latest, 3 hours before the first match	All technical items as laid out in the CEV Volleyball Competitions Regulations and CEV Organisation Guidelines for National Team Competitions.

5. 2nd Round: Competition Accreditation cards

In line with the CEV Volleyball Competitions Regulations, each person accredited must receive an accreditation Card/Badge. It is mandatory to use the CEV Accreditation System for all CEV competitions.

Only each tournament organiser is in charge of producing the badges for all participating teams in the respective pool and appointed CEV officials. Those can be extracted and synchronised directly from the database.

You can access the accreditation system via this link or via the National Federations Area of the CEV Database (https://accreditation.cev.eu/login/cev). Furthermore, there is a Badge Manager for the printing of the Badges for the matches.

The guidelines on how to navigate through the software are available within the documents area in the accreditation system.

6. 2nd Round: Commercial Rights

Advertising rights	2nd round	
	NF	CEV
N° of Static Banners	23 (incl. positions 23-26)	3
LED system visibility split (percentage of a 360" loop)	75%	25%
Floor stickers	4	-
Net	-	100%
Net post	-	100%
Referee stand	-	100%

RESERVED PRODUCT CATEGORIES:

The CEV reserves the following product categories:

1. Airlines
2. Banking
3. Betting and Gambling services*
4. Body & Healthcare products
5. Courier services & logistics
6. Sports Equipment - Volleyballs and flooring
7. Sportswear

The above-mentioned reserved categories will not be released by CEV.

Advertisement of "betting & gambling" partners, whether direct or indirect, is not allowed in the frame of the Under-age group competitions.

*For the avoidance of doubt, although the "Betting & gambling services" sector and/or category is reserved by the CEV, the Organiser may exploit, based on prior agreement of the CEV, the category for the "National lottery", provided that their sports betting operations are in no way presented under the same brand as their National lottery operations.

7. 2nd Round: Branding

The Graphics and Marketing Department work with a file sharing platform (CEV Cloud), which is an optimised file sharing and storage solution. All organisers have direct access to all resources via a web service interface. The CEV Cloud supports drag-and-drop file management.

No logins or passwords are needed.

Special links navigate you to the CEV qualifiers competition's storage with 2 main folders, namely "Download" and "Upload":

DOWNLOAD FOLDER:
Contains all necessary files/templates you need to use for production of any possible material https://cloud.cev.eu/url/natteamsdown

- Competition Brand Guideline
- CEV Banner layouts
- Logos
- General Poster layout
- General Digital templates (for social media contact digital@cev.eu)
- Backdrop layout
- Court layout
- List of partners (on backdrop, poster, LED system and/or static court layout)
- LED system application form
- LED system playlist file

Production of backdrop, poster, and digital promotion is compulsory. Any other promotional material with CEV identification markers shall be uploaded for approval.

Please note that we do not provide any tickets, brochures or program layouts. However, all the relevant information and logos must be included in the design layout produced by the Organisers, namely the CEV logo, the competition title and logo. The production of an official brochure / official program is not mandatory.

All graphics are available for downloading from the CEV Cloud. All Organisers have the opportunity to review the basic Brand Guidelines, to download and use the official competition logo and graphic devices in various formats, as needed.

UPLOAD FOLDER:
for all files to be uploaded, checked, and approved by CEV before production. The upload folder is structured by the National federation's/organiser's name https://cloud.cev.eu/url/natteamsupl

- All layouts & files (e.g. LED playlist, etc.) must be uploaded for final approval into the National federation's/organisers folder.

IMPORTANT: After uploading any files for approval, the Graphics Department graphics@cev.eu must be notified by a short e-mail.

Note that the cloud doesn't inform us automatically about the uploading of new files.

CEV institutional brand

The CEV institutional kit with the CEV identification markers (CEV logo, flag, etc.) can be found on the CEV Cloud: https://cloud.cev.eu/url/cevbranding.

Production of the promotional banners

Organizing National federations are required to produce the following banners according to the layouts provided hereafter and made available on the CEV Cloud folder:

- Positions nr. 4 : ceded to ORG
- Positions nr. 9: #EuroVolleyU20W (when playing host to the women's competition or #EuroVolleyU20M (when playing host to the men's competition)
- Position nr. 12: Competition title banner
- Positions nr. 15: EuroVolley.tv
- Positions nr. 19: ceded to ORG

Court layout: see Annex 1 and, please, carefully check all court layout conditions. Net, referee chair and net posts remain without any advertising.

8. 2nd Round: LED boarding system

If any national federation organising an event wants to use the LED boarding system, it must download the mandatory application form from the CEV Cloud download folder (select the LED lighting system application folder).

The fully completed form must be uploaded to the CEV Cloud into your respective folder: **https://cloud.cev.eu/url/natteamsupl** not later than 14 days before the competition starts.

Once the LED system application is approved, the Organiser must complete the LED playlist form (available in the download folder on the CEV Cloud) and upload it into the National federation's/organiser's folder.

IMPORTANT: After uploading the LED playlist for approval, the Marketing Department marketing@cev.eu must be informed by email.

9. 2nd Round: Media Rights and Streaming on CEV YouTube Channel

Hosting National Federations must adhere to the following media and production requirements:

- **Match Production:** CEV highly recommends production of all matches of the 2nd Round for better promotion and visibility of the competition.
- **Signal Delivery:** If produced, the production team must deliver one RTMP or SRT signal free of charge to the CEV for international distribution on official CEV channels.
- **Domestic Rights:** The CEV grants the hosting National Federation non-exclusive domestic media rights within its respective national territory in exchange for the production.
- **Delegation:** Production may be delegated to a third-party partner or host broadcaster appointed by the National Federation.
- **Exclusive Rights:** For the avoidance of doubt, all other media rights not explicitly granted to the National Federation remain the exclusive property of the CEV.

Production Specifications

- **Number of Cameras:** CEV recommends to have 3 cameras for an optimal viewer experience. In case the LOC is only able to produce with a single camera, CEV recommends to have the camera (HD 16:9) positioned on the long side of the court.
- **Match Signal Delivery:** RTMP / SRT.
- **Video Bitrate:** Minimum 6,000 kbps without compression artifacts.
- **Audio Bitrate:** 256 kbps.
- **Production Contacts:** National Federations must provide the CEV with contact details for their production team at least three (3) weeks prior to the start of the competition.

Branding & Graphics Requirements

- Streams must include the official CEV score bug (contact data@cev.eu).
- Delivered signals must be completely free of any sponsor branding, commercial overlays, virtual advertising, sponsored graphics, or other commercial insertions added to the broadcast signal.
- Note: This requirement does not apply to physical sponsor branding present at the venue and naturally captured by the cameras.
- No third-party graphics shall be inserted into the delivered signals.

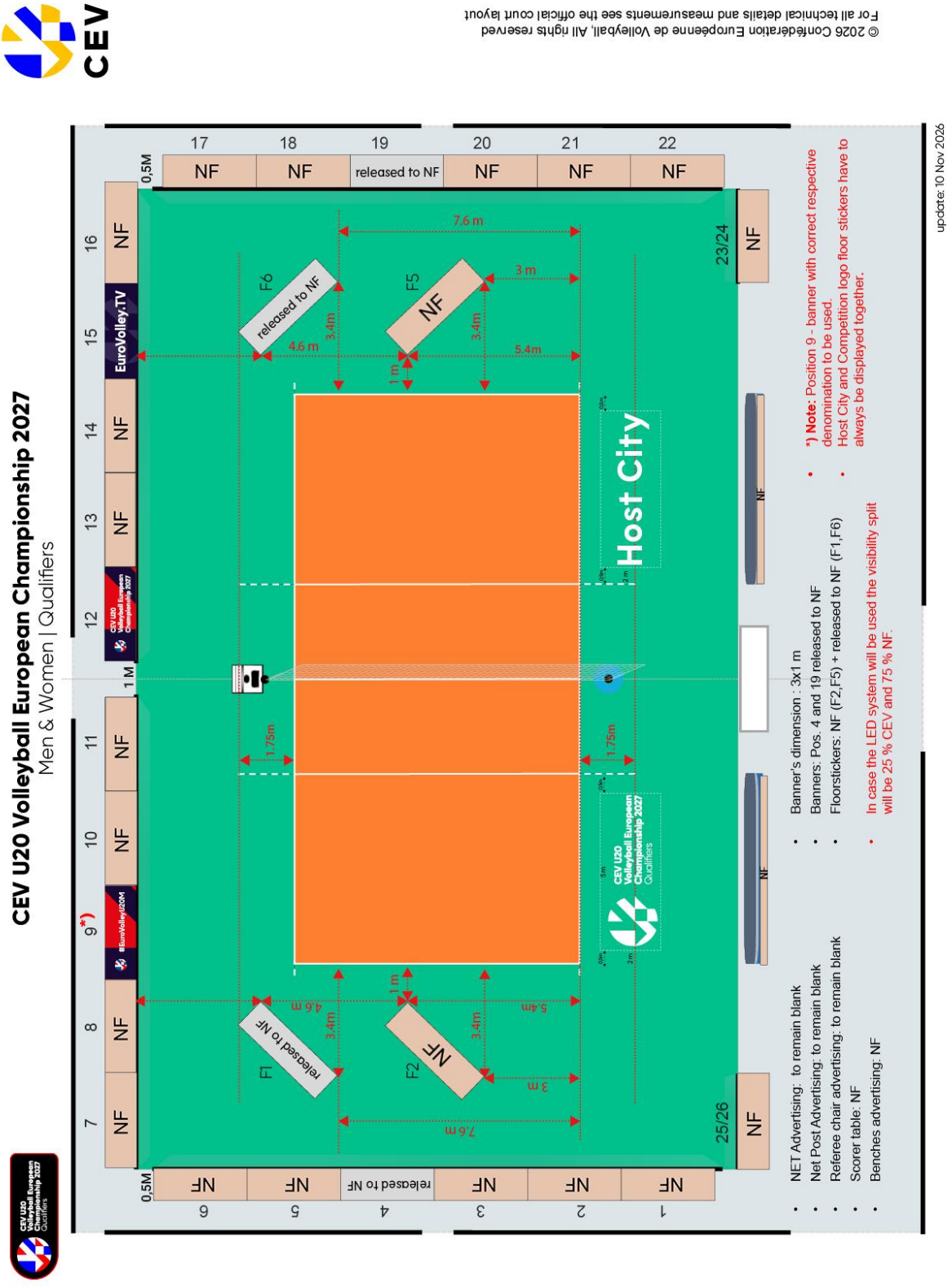
Stream Testing

- A stream test must be conducted at least 48 hours before the start of the event.
- If multiple production companies are involved, at least one successful test must be conducted with each company.

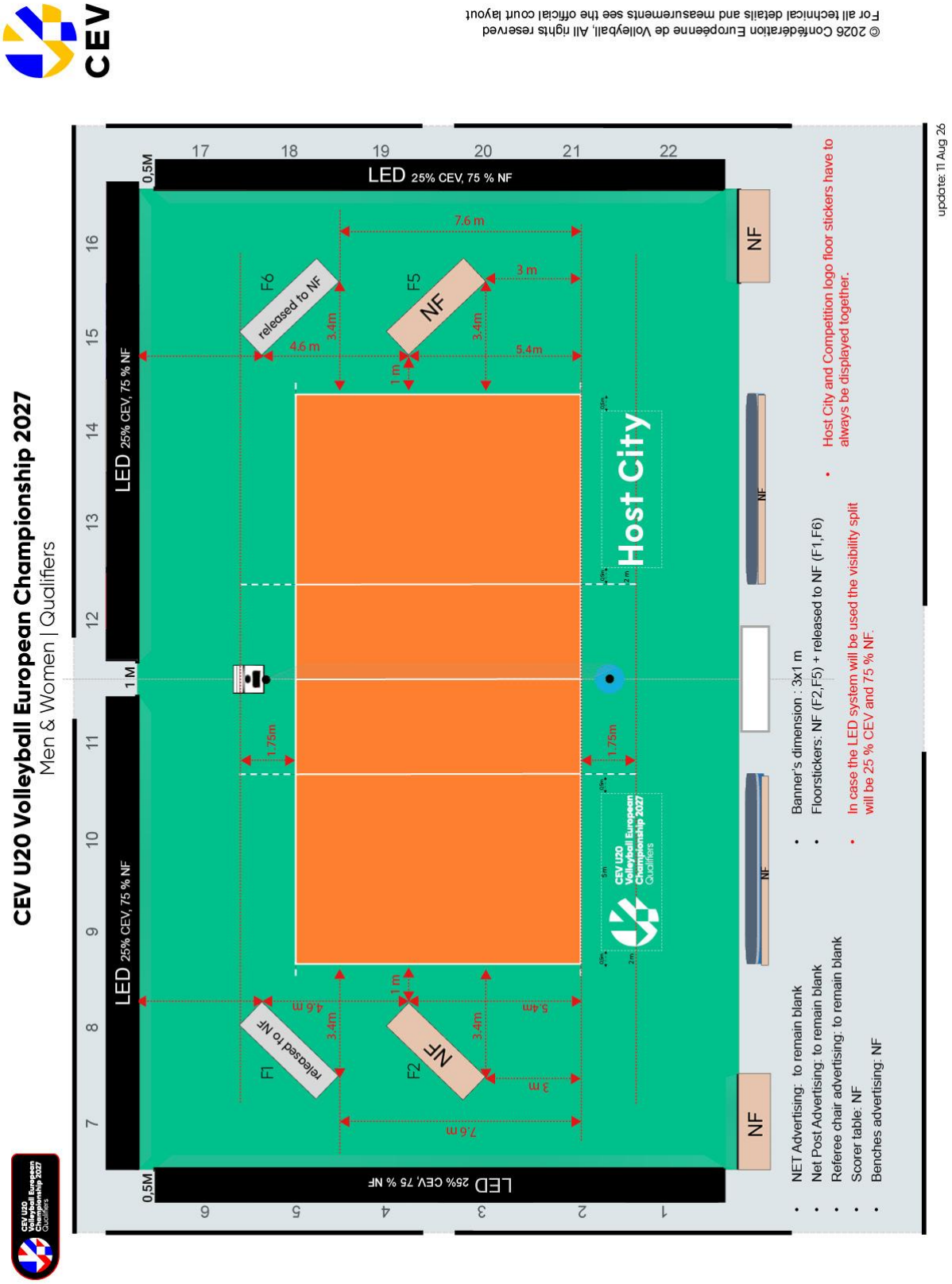
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10. Court layouts

1/ Static boarding – to be updated -> position 4 + 19 ceded to National federation



2/ LED boarding



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