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Welcome to the CEV Volleyball Competitions Regulations. This is the sole document regulating all CEV Volleyball competitions ran in Europe. All contained contents have been pulled together based on the last released version of the competition specific Official Regulations, and the implementation of all other Board of Administration decisions.

The aim is that this document forms the foundations of our Volleyball competition delivery, outlining all requirements of the participating teams and organisers, whilst also providing clear direction and the detailed requirements to those responsible for any match or tournament.

The structure of this document is such that every core element (something relating to all competitions) are contained together, while there are individual competition specific Chapters in Section 9 for each separate competition. This document is interlinked to avoid any unnecessary duplication, so we therefore encourage you to read it in its entirety to gain the full picture of what is required. The search function in the PDF viewer or e-book can also be a useful tool for users.

This set of regulations will only be updated following Board of Administration approvals, and changes will only come into force from the start of the next edition of the relevant competition.

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Section 1: General provisions

1. SCOPE OF APPLICATION

- §1 These regulations govern the organisation of all CEV competitions and the participation of National Federations, Clubs and Players to such competitions.
- §2 Section 9 may depart from the other sections. For a specific level of a CEV competition, a written agreement between the CEV and a Participant or a Handbook may depart from these regulations. The CEV informs the relevant CEV stakeholders, if necessary.
- §3 Official Communications complement these regulations. Guidelines, handbooks and instructions implement these regulations.

2. PURPOSES

- §1 These regulations are composed of sport and extra-sport related provisions.
- §2 The sport related provisions intend to establish an equal opportunities policy on which is based the uncertainty of sport results.
- §3 The extra-sport related provisions intend to ensure:
 - a. The regular and sustainable organisation of the CEV competitions by preserving them from any negative alteration,
 - b. The promotion of the CEV competitions and Volleyball.

3. ENFORCEMENT

- §1 In case of an emergency or impossibility to enforce the FIVB Sports Regulations for a CEV competition, the CEV may depart from these regulations.
- §2 In case of a national law preventing the compliance with these regulations, a similar action or absence of action that performs the same result shall be provided instead.

4. CEV E-LEARNING EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMME

- §1 With the purpose to ensure a high-quality organisation of the CEV competitions, the CEV developed a life-long training programme aiming at maintaining high knowledge of these regulations and/or Official Volleyball Rules.
- §2 Individuals designated in these regulations or the Official Communications shall pass this programme in order to be appointed to a CEV competition.

5. FINANCIAL ASPECTS

- §1 Any financial items related to these regulations are mentioned in Section 8.

6. DEADLINES

- §1 A deadline stated in these regulations, Official Communications or CEV forms created on the CEV database is the time limit for the fulfilment of a requirement.
- §2 For information and data to be provided via the CEV database or electronic means, the deadline is the last day of their reception by the CEV. For other items to be provided by post, the deadline is the last day of their sending to the CEV.

7. AMENDMENTS

- §1 The provisions of these regulations remain subject to amendments by the Board of Administration.
- §2 Any departure from these regulations will be duly notified via the Official Communications.

8. DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of these regulations:

- §1 "Advertising rights" means each, any and all rights to use and exploit the Advertising spaces.
- §2 "Advertising spaces" means each, any and all structures, spaces and surfaces of the Competition venue and the areas around it controlled, supervised, managed or owned by the Organiser; arranged in any form with any materials including, without limitation, panels, banners, advertising court boards managed through dynamic advertisement systems – LED systems, symbols, logos, emblems, interview TV walls and backdrops, stands, tents, stickers; used to make publicly known and/or present goods, products, services, brands or legal entities.
- §3 "Betting Rights" means the right to use match related data and statistics as well as the right to transmit with or without commentary audio-visual material and/or audio-only content on a live basis in connection with the possibility for viewers and users to place bets on CEV Competitions as part of a licensed and registered online and/or mobile gambling/betting platform (including betting websites and applications).
- §4 "Betting Rights Partner" means any partner to whom CEV sub-licences and/or grants any of the Betting Rights.
- §5 "CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championships" means the following CEV competitions considered altogether, where there is an age restriction on the Player registration:
- The CEV U22 Volleyball European Championship – Men & Women,
 - The CEV U20 Volleyball European Championship – Men & Women
 - The CEV U18 Volleyball European Championship – Men & Women,
 - The CEV U16 Volleyball European Championship – Men & Women,
- §6 "CEV competition" means one of the following competitions, composed of Volleyball matches and any side event or meeting approved by the CEV and related to such competitions:
- The CEV EuroVolley,
 - The CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championships,
 - The CEV Volleyball European League,
 - The CEV Champions League Volley,
 - The CEV Volleyball Cup,
 - The CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup.
- §7 "CEV database" means the CEV online collection of independent CEV works, data or other materials arranged in a systematic or methodical way; processed by the CEV personal data, photo gallery, news, referees and competitions database management systems.
- §8 "CEV Official Technology Partner" means a sport technology provider appointed by the CEV for the purpose of collecting and distributing data during the CEV Competition for commercial, competition management and fan engagement purposes.
- §9 "CEV Organiser" means an appointed Club or one or more appointed National Federations which were granted the right by the CEV to:
- Host and organise a phase of a CEV competition, and
 - Provide the required facilities.
- §10 "CEV Sport Media agency" means a Commercial Partner appointed by the CEV as exclusive media rights distribution partner and broadcaster services provider
- §11 "CEV stakeholders" means the group including all natural or legal persons affected by or having an interest in a determined and specific CEV competition and associated to this CEV competition by an agreement, contract, Official position or licence with the CEV, a National Federation, Club or Commercial partner.
- §12 "CEV Top events" mean the CEV EuroVolley Final Phase, the CEV Champions League Volley.

- §13 "Club competition" means one of the following CEV competitions:
- a. The CEV Champions League Volley,
 - b. The CEV Volleyball Cup,
 - c. The CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup.
- §14 "Commercial partner" means a party which is not a National Federation or Club, under written agreement with the CEV, which was granted by the CEV all or part of the Commercial rights.
- §15 "Commercial rights" means each, any and all rights, related or in connection with a determined and specific CEV competition, which are owned exclusively by the CEV and can be granted to a Commercial partner, Participant or Organiser by the CEV only, including without limitation, the Media rights, Betting rights, Data rights, Advertising rights and Intellectual Property rights.
- §16 "Competition area" means the area composed of the Competition/Control area and the Playing area.
- §17 "Competition hall" means the area included in the Competition venue and composed of the Competition area and stands for spectators.
- §18 "Competition venue" means the building including the Competition hall and any other areas controlled, supervised, managed or owned by the Organiser around the Competition hall.
- §19 "Competition/Control area" means the corridor around the Playing area with a variable width and including all spaces up to the outer barriers or delimitation fence, included. The Competition/Control area is set according to the Official Volleyball Rules.
- §20 "Data Rights" mean all statistical and information rights, including but not limited to live score, statistics, event information, player information, player tracker, biometrical athlete data and any other match or event related data that are measured, collected and compiled by the CEV applications and any tracking data applications that are developed by CEV during the CEV Competitions, including in the Playing Area via the CEV E-scoresheet and the CEV Statistics applications during the CEV Competitions." For the avoidance of any doubt, the CEV is the ultimate owner of such Data Rights. The Betting data is not included in the Data Rights.
- §21 "E-scoresheet" means the electronic version of the score sheet mentioned in the Official Volleyball Rules.
- §22 "European Cups" means the three Club competitions considered altogether.
- §23 "Extra-Team Official" means an individual appointed by a National Federation or Club to a determined and specific level of a CEV competition in order to exercise and fulfil the assigned duties of a role mentioned in these regulations or Official Communications or of one of the following roles:
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| a. Assistant coach, | e. Team statistician, |
| b. Assistant coach 2, | f. Team Media officer, |
| c. Medical doctor, | g. Trainer. |
| d. Therapist, | |
- §24 "Final Phase" means:
- In CEV EuroVolley
 - a. Pools,
 - b. Eight Finals,
 - c. Quarter Finals,
 - d. Semi-Finals,
 - e. Bronze Medal Match,
 - f. Gold Medal Match.
 - In CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championships
 - a. Pools,

- b. Semi-Finals (1 – 4 / 5 – 8),
 - c. Classification Matches (1 – 4 / 5 – 8).
 - In CEV Volleyball European League
 - a. Final Four or Home and Away matches
 - In CEV Champions League Volley
 - a. Final Four
 - In CEV Volleyball Cup and CEV Challenge Cup
 - a. Semi-Finals (Home and Away matches),
 - b. Finals (Home and Away matches).
- §25 "FIVB" means the Fédération Internationale de Volleyball.
- §26 "Free zone" means the space surrounding the Playing court with a variable width and included in the Playing area. The Free zone is set according to the Official Volleyball Rules.
- §27 "Host city" means the city, in the Host country, where a level of a determined and specific CEV competition is organised.
- §28 "Host country" means the territory where a National Federation has primary authority to administer and govern all forms of Volleyball and where a level of a determined and specific CEV competition is organised.
- §29 "Intellectual Property rights" mean each, any and all rights to use and exploit the CEV and the CEV competition identification markers.
- §30 "Match Official" means an individual who is not a CEV Official, appointed by the CEV or a National Federation to a determined and specific level of a CEV competition in order to exercise and fulfil the assigned duties of one of the following roles:
- a. First referee,
 - b. Second referee,
 - c. Reserve referee
 - d. Challenge referee,
 - e. Scorer also called E-scorer,
 - f. Assistant scorer,
 - g. Line judge.
- The First referee, Second referee, Reserve referee, Challenge referee, Scorer, Line judge and Assistant scorer are called together Refereeing corps according to the Official Volleyball Rules.
- The First referee, Second referee and Reserve referee are called together referees.
- §31 "Media rights" mean all rights (excluding Betting Rights) to broadcast, exhibit, transmit and exploit all audio, visual and audio-visual content (in whole or in part) in connection with the CEV Competition using any and all technical means or distribution systems (whether presently known, or developed, created, invented or become ready for use in the future) which enable that content to be received in any signal format and in any medium, platform or forum for communication using any existing or future devices (including, without limitation, wearable and other mobile devices) which permit that content to be viewed, interacted with or otherwise consumed at any time or in any manner chosen by either the recipient or the broadcaster or distributor of that content, including on a live, near-live, delayed, highlights, clips/excerpts or news access basis whether such rights are currently known or devised/invented in the future only. The Media Rights also include the non-exclusive right to use (registered, applied for and unregistered) event marks and CEV logo, whether presently or in the future, and those owned by the participating national federations/teams and local organising committee at the time of the event. For the avoidance of any doubt:
- Domestic media rights mean the media rights confined in the Host Country.
 - International media rights mean the worldwide media rights, except for the domestic media rights.
- §32 "National Team competition" means one of the following CEV competitions:

- a. The CEV EuroVolley,
- b. The CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championships,
- c. The CEV Volleyball European League,

§33 "National Team" means a Team selected by its National Federation and authorised to bear its country's and/or territory's name.

§34 "National Technical Official" means an individual nominated by a National Federation or Club and appointed by the CEV to a determined and specific level of a CEV competition in order to exercise and fulfil the assigned duties of a role mentioned in these regulations or Official Communications or of one of the following roles:

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| a. Scorer also called E-scorer, | d. Line judge, |
| b. CEV statistician, | e. Ball retriever, |
| c. Assistant scorer also called Assistant E-scorer, | f. Quick mopper. |

The Ball retriever and Quick mopper are called together Courtside assistants.

The Scorer, Assistant scorer and Line Judge are also Match Officials.

§35 "Official Volleyball Rules" mean the rules governing the sport of Volleyball, drafted and adopted by the FIVB, following the provisions of the FIVB Constitution and FIVB General Regulations.

§36 "Participant" means either a National Federation or a Club registered to a CEV competition.

§37 "Playing area" means the rectangular and symmetrical area, composed of the Playing court and the Free zone. The Playing area is set according to the Official Volleyball Rules.

§38 "Playing court" means a rectangular playing surface measuring 18 per 9 meters with a playing space above free of any obstructions within a variable height and included in the Playing area. The Playing court is set according to the Official Volleyball Rules.

§39 "Stay period" means the period, arrival and departure days included during which an individual is either appointed or participates in a level of a CEV competition.

§40 "Streaming Feed" means all audio, visual and audio-visual signals of the relevant CEV competition transmitted on a live basis by the means of internet, mobile platforms (APP, Smartphones, etc.) and/or IP-TV.

§41 "Team delegation" means a group of individuals, each of them called Team delegation member, composed of:

- a. The Team,
- b. The Team manager,
- c. The Extra-Team Officials.

A Player's agent licensed by the FIVB shall not be a Team delegation member.

§42 "Team Official" means an individual appointed by a National Federation or Club to a determined and specific level of a CEV competition in order to exercise and fulfil the assigned duties of one of the following roles:

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| a. Team manager, | f. Therapist, |
| b. Coach, | g. Team Statistician, |
| c. Assistant coach, | h. Team Media officer, |
| d. Assistant coach2, | i. Trainer. |
| e. Medical doctor, | |

§43 "Team" means a group of individuals, each of them called Team member, composed of:

- a. The Players,
- b. The Coach, Assistant coach and Assistant coach2 considered altogether as Coaching staff,
- c. The Medical doctor and Therapist considered altogether as Medical staff.

§44 "tournament" means that a group of matches is organised at a single Competition venue in a short time period.

§45 "Training hall" means the area used for training sessions.

§46 "World Feed" means the international integrated audio and colour video (i.e. audio-visual) signal of the matches of the CEV Competition in high definition, incorporating a live television picture, slow motion, replays, titles and graphics and the necessary related background sound and effects and all recordings of such signals, as produced by the host broadcaster. The World Feed is made available at the host broadcaster SNG truck on-site and uplinked on a European satellite with no more than three (3) seconds delay from the live incident. .

9. MISCELLANEOUS

§1 For the purposes of these regulations, the terms "shall", "shall not", "will", "should", "should not", "may", "CEV Regulatory Framework", "Club", "Coach", "Assistant Coach", "National Federation", "Official", "Player", "Zonal Association" and any other terms mentioned in these regulations and defined in the General Regulations shall have the meaning as defined in the General Regulations.

§2 For the purpose of these regulations, "the CEV" means one of the CEV bodies mentioned in the CEV Statutes which is entitled by the CEV Regulatory Framework to enforce a provision of these regulations.

§3 For the purpose of these regulations, mention of an article, section or chapter - in the right column next to an article - means either that the relevant person shall fulfil and comply with it in order to fulfil the requirements of such article or that the relevant person shall refer to it in order to obtain more information.

§4 Any situation not provided for by these regulations is settled by the Board of Administration or by the Executive Committee in case of time constraints.

§5 Any change of these regulations, approved during an edition of a CEV competition, should be taken into account from the start of the new edition of a CEV competition. Nonetheless, these changes apply immediately if applied on a voluntary basis or if there is no negative financial impact.

Section 2: CEV competitions

Chapter 1: Structure

10. CEV COMPETITION CATEGORIES

§1 CEV competitions are organised for both genders and composed of National Team competitions and Club competitions. Each match is played according to the gender distinction.

11. CEV COMPETITION GOVERNING RULES

§1 Each match is played according to the Official Volleyball Rules, with balls prescribed by the Board of Administration, in a Competition hall approved by the CEV.

§2 Each match is conducted according to the Official Volleyball Rules. Other documents may be also used with the Official Volleyball Rules, but the latter always prevail.

§3 Each match is organised at a date or period approved by the CEV and in accordance with the FIVB and CEV Regulatory Frameworks.

12. CEV COMPETITION CONTROL AND REFEREEING

12.1 Competition control

§1 The CEV is the governing body for all CEV competitions. It sets the supervision and monitoring modalities regarding their organisation.

§2 For each CEV competition, the CEV appoints a Commission to supervise and monitor the organisation of such competition.

§3 For each level of a CEV competition, the CEV appoints - as highest authority during this level - a Jury or CEV Supervisor to supervise and monitor on the spot the organisation and progress of such level. The CEV may appoint additional workforce for refereeing, medical, media, legal or marketing related topics.

§4 For each CEV competition, the National Federation of the Host country shall appoint an individual to verify and support the organisation of all matches.

12.2 Refereeing

§1 A match is conducted by the following referees:

- a. International referees for CEV competitions which are FIVB Official competitions,
- b. International referees and/or International referee candidates for other CEV competitions.

13. CEV CALENDAR AND SCHEDULE

13.1 General provisions

§1 CEV competitions should be organised on a regular basis during the periods defined by the FIVB.

13.2 Competition calendar

§1 For each CEV competition, the timetable of all matches of such competition - competition calendar - is set by the relevant Commission, approved by the Board of Administration and communicated via the Official Communications.

§2 CEV competitions calendars should be as follows:

CEV competition	Duration	Preferable period	
		From	To
CEV EuroVolley			
Final Phase	2 years (Final every even year)	August	September
CEV U22 Volleyball European Championship			
Final phase	1 year (Final every even year and Qualification every odd year.	July	
Qualification phase		July	
CEV U20 Volleyball European Championship			
Final phase	1 year (Final every odd year)	July	
Second round Qualifiers		January	
First round Qualifiers		Mid-August prior to the Final Round	October prior to the Final Round
CEV U18 Volleyball European Championship			
Final phase	1 year (Final every even year)	July	Mid of August
Second round Qualifiers		January	
First round Qualifiers		Mid-August prior to the Final Round	October prior to the Final Round
CEV U16 Volleyball European Championship			
Final Phase	1 year (Final every odd year)	August/September	
Second round Qualifiers		April	
First round Qualifiers		September prior to the Final Round	January on the year of the Final Round
CEV Volleyball European League			
Final phase	1 year	June/July	
Other phases		Mid-May	June/July
CEV European Cups			
Final phase	1 year	16 th May	31 st May

13.3 Match calendar and Daily match schedule

§1 For each level of a CEV competition, the timetable of all matches of such level - match calendar - and the timetable of all matches within 1 day - Daily match schedule - are set by the CEV in collaboration with the Organiser and/or the CEV Media agency. For a level a CEV competition organised in a tournament, the match calendar and Daily match schedule are set in accordance with the Berger tables system.

§2 The CEV either confirms the dates submitted and/or sets another dates and starting times.

§3 A match starts as follows:

- a. Between 12:00 and 21:00 - Host city time,
- b. At least 5 hours after the end of a training session,
- c. At least 16 hours after the previous match in case of no tournament,
- d. At least 2 hours and a half after the previous match in case of a tournament.

14. CEV COMPETITION SYSTEM

14.1 General provisions

- §1 Each CEV competition has a competition system, made of a structure, method and format. It is set by the relevant Commission, approved by the Board of Administration and communicated via the Official Communications. The CEV may change it according to the number of Participants, the Organiser or for any valid reason.
- §2 The CEV competition structure is composed of the following levels: phases, rounds and stages. Phases may be divided into rounds possibly divided into stages.
- §3 The CEV competition method allows a Participant to move from one level to another.
- §4 The CEV competition format is composed of pools and/or tournaments.
- §5 For a CEV competition, the Board of Administration may set a minimum and/or a maximum number of Participants.
- §6 A direct qualification for a Participant to a specific level of a CEV competition may be granted according to one or more of the following items:
 - a. The determined standing in a previous level of such CEV competition,
 - b. The determined standing in a previous competition of such Participant,
 - c. The appointment of an Organiser,
 - d. The CEV European Cups ranking list,
 - e. The CEV National Team ranking list,
 - f. The Board of Administration decision.

14.2 Competition method

- §1 Each level of a CEV competition is played according to one or more of the following competition methods:
 - a. Knock-out,
 - b. Round robin.

14.2.1 Knock-out competition method

- §1 The knock-out competition method consists of 2 Participants playing each other where the loser is immediately eliminated from winning the CEV competition and the winner qualifies to the level. The 2 Participants play either 1 single-leg match or 1 two-legged match – also called “Home and Away” match.

- 14.2.2 In a “Home and Away” match, the winner is the Participant who wins both matches. In a “Home and Away” match, there is a tie between the 2 Participants when each Participant has the same number matches won. In case of a tie, the Golden set procedure is used. The Golden set is played as 1 tie break set of 15 points, with a minimum 2 points lead achieved, between the 2 Participants in a tie. The Golden Set shall be seen as a continuation of the respective match. All Players or Team Officials, who have been sanctioned by disqualification in the match which has just ended, shall be removed from the e-scoresheet of the Golden Set. These persons are not available and cannot be replaced by anybody else.

14.2.3 Round robin competition method

- §1 The round robin competition method consists, for each Participant, of playing all other ones from the same pool. Each Participant plays either 1 single-leg match (single round robin) or 1 two-legged match (double round robin) – also called “Home and Away” match.
- §2 The standing of a Participant is based on the number of matches won during the pool.
- §3 In a CEV competition, points for won and lost matches are allocated as follows:
 - a. 3 points for the winner 3:0 or 3:1 of a match,
 - b. 2 points for the winner 3:2 of a match,

- c. 1 point for the loser 2:3 of a match,
- d. 0 point for the loser 0:3 or 1:3 of a match.

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

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

14.3 Allocation

14.3.1 Allocation of Participants

§1 A drawing of lots may be performed at a date and place set in the Official Communications in order to allocate Participants in a level of a CEV competition. The CEV supervises and makes all necessary preparation for the drawing of lots. It may set several principles to conduct it.

§2 Each drawing of lots may be combined with a seeding of the Participants. Such seeding shall be performed according to one or more of the following items:

- a. The CEV European Cups ranking list or the CEV National Team ranking list,
- b. The geographical situation of the Participants,
- c. The choice of the Organiser,
- d. The serpentine system,
- e. The determined standing in a previous level of such current and/or previous CEV competition edition.

14.3.2 Allocation of the "visiting and "hosting" Participant status

§1 Allocation of the "visiting and "hosting" Participant status is performed as follows:

- a. For each match, by a drawing of lots, performed at a date and place set in the Official Communications,
- b. For a tournament, according to the Berger tables system.
- c. By the CEV decision.

14.4 Non equal number of Teams

§1 When facing a non-equal number of the teams over the pools the results of the matches with the lowest placed teams will be discarded in order to compare all runners-up performances based on the equal number of matches.

15. MISCELLANEOUS

15.1 Protest

15.1.1 Formal conditions

§1 Protests can be raised as foreseen in the Official Volleyball Rules or in case of violation of the CEV Regulations.

§2 All games related Protests must be in written form in English and must be entered in the scoresheet as foreseen in the Official Volleyball Rules. Any other protest must be in written form in English and must be executed separately.

§3 Any protest shall mandatorily be accompanied by a deposit defined in the respective CEV Official Competition Regulations otherwise the protest will not be considered. If the protest is accepted, 75% of the deposited amount shall be refunded to the protesting party. If the protest is not accepted, the deposit remains in CEV.

15.1.2 Proceedings in case of protest for single matches

- §1 Once a protest is formally notified, the CEV Supervisor shall be bound – from the competition site, without any delay and using the quickest way of communication – to transmit the scoresheet as well as his/her own written report (which shall only refer to the items raised in the protest) to the CEV office.
- §2 The first working day after the match the protesting team must obligatorily send by email to the CEV office a written confirmation of the protest as well as a copy of the deposit of the above-mentioned amount which must be paid into the bank account of the CEV, otherwise the protest will not be considered.
- §3 Upon receipt at the CEV office of all the above mentioned documents the President of the CEV Legal Chamber (or a Member of the CEV Legal Chamber appointed by him for this purpose) shall examine the legal aspect of the protest, both under the aspects of its content and its form, after having consulted the President of the ERC (or a Member of the ERC appointed by him for this purpose). If he deems it appropriate, the President of the CEV Legal Chamber (or the appointed Member of the CEV Legal Chamber) is entitled to make further investigations.
- §4 The President of the CEV Legal Chamber (or the appointed Member) will issue his/her decision as soon as possible, but no later than 48 hours before the next match of the same competition with the participation of one of the involved teams or 48 hours before the formation of groups or the drawing of lots for the next round.
- §5 The decision taken by the President of the CEV Legal Chamber (or the appointed Member) as to the protest shall be definitive.
- §6 Once the decision is taken it must be notified in writing to all parties concerned within 24 hours and shall furthermore be publicized by the CEV.

15.1.3 Proceedings in case of protest for qualification or final phase tournaments without Jury

- §1 A written confirmation of the protest shall be notified to the CEV Supervisor within 60 minutes after the end of the match by the team manager.
- §2 A deposit of the above-mentioned amount must be handed over to the CEV Supervisor together with the written confirmation mentioned under 15.1.1 §2, otherwise the protest will not be considered.
- §3 Once the protest is formally notified, the CEV Supervisor is entitled to make further investigations.
- §4 The decision shall be issued by the CEV Supervisor at the latest within 3 hours after the end of the day's last match and it shall be notified in writing to all parties concerned within the same 3 hours deadline.
- §5 The decision taken by the CEV Supervisor about the protest shall be definitive.

15.1.4 Proceedings in case of protest for final phase tournaments with Jury

- §1 A written confirmation of the protest shall be notified to the President of the Jury within 60 minutes after the end of the match by the team manager.
- §2 A deposit of the above-mentioned amount must be handed over to the President of the Jury together with the written confirmation mentioned under 15.1.1 §2, otherwise the protest will not be considered.
- §3 Once the protest is formally notified, the President of the Jury is entitled to make further investigations.
- §4 The decision shall be issued by the Appeal Committee composed ad hoc by the President of the Jury and two other Members of the Jury appointed by him at the latest within 3 hours after the end of the day's last match and it shall be notified in writing to all parties concerned within the same 3 hours deadline. In case the protest refers to refereeing matters, the Appeal

Committee is composed ad hoc by the President of the Jury as well as 1 member of the Jury and 1 member of the SRC appointed by him.

§5 The decision taken by the Appeal Committee about the protest shall be definitive.

Chapter 2: Organisation, follow-up and control

16. PREPARATION – PRACTICAL ORGANISER

16.1 Appointment of the Organiser

§1 For each match, the CEV appoints an Organiser as follows:

- a. Via the provisions of these regulations, or
- b. Via a candidature / bid procedure.

§2 Appointment of the Organiser is according to the following table:

CEV competition	Organiser	
	No tournament	tournament
National Team competitions	Hosting National Federation	See article 16.2
Club competitions	Hosting Club	See article 16.2

§3 When an Organiser is not able to stage a level of a CEV competition due to the decision of a national authority of the Host country, the CEV shall appoint another Organiser for such level. In case of a "Home and Away" match, the CEV shall appoint a neutral Organiser for both matches.

16.2 Organiser of a tournament

16.2.1 In a Club competition

§1 The organisation of a tournament is subject to a candidature / bid procedure set by the CEV. Anybody may candidate / bid.

§2 The National Federation appointed as Organiser, may grant its organisation right to one of its Clubs. The National Federation remains responsible for the organisation of such match.

§3 When the candidature / bid procedure is unsuccessful, the CEV either organises itself the tournament or launch a new procedure.

16.2.2 In a National Team competition

§1 In order to apply as Organiser of a tournament, a National Federation shall have its National Team playing such tournament.

§2 An Organiser is appointed by the CEV as follows:

- a. In case only 1 National Federation applies for a tournament organisation, by a direct appointment,
- b. In case more than 1 National Federation applies for a tournament organisation:
 - i. By a drawing of lots for a tournament in a level other than the Final phase,
 - ii. By a candidature / bid procedure for a tournament in the Final phase,
- c. In case no National Federation applies for a tournament organisation, by a drawing of lots, if possible, between the National Federations with a National Team playing in such tournament.

17. FOLLOW-UP AND CONTROL

17.1 National Federation

17.1.1 National Federation Responsible

§1 The National Federation Responsible verifies and supports the organisation of all matches of the CEV competitions in the Host country.

§2 A National Federation Responsible has the following profile:

- a. The person is a member of an institution of a National Federation,
- b. The person is able to communicate in English with people from different countries,
- c. The person is an expert in the CEV Regulatory Framework,

- d. The person is the main responsible from the National Federation for the Participants,
- e. The person is the main contact individual for the CEV.

§3 A National Federation Responsible is eligible for an appointment to a match when the two following requirements are fulfilled:

- a. Such National Federation Responsible complies with article 17.1.1,
- b. For Club competitions only, such National Federation Responsible successfully passed the E-Learning educational programme.

§4 A National Federation Responsible is appointed by the National Federation as follows:

- a. For National Team competitions: for a level of a CEV competition,
- b. For Club competitions: for all Club competitions for the whole edition of such competitions.

§5 The National Federation Responsible for Club competitions is also called National Federation European Cups Responsible.

§6 The duties of the National Federation Responsible are:

- a. To ensure:
 - i. A smooth running of the CEV competitions,
 - ii. The compliance with the CEV Regulatory Framework.
- b. To attend, when invited, the following events and fulfil the requirements related to them:
 - i. The site visits and inspections.
- c. Those mentioned in the relevant CEV Guidelines.

17.2 CEV

17.2.1 Commission

§1 The competent Commissions are:

- a. European Volleyball Commission,

17.2.2 CEV Supervisor

§1 The CEV Supervisor is the highest authority during the match such individual is appointed to.

§2 A CEV Supervisor has the following profile:

- a. The person is a member, Official, representative, employee, individual registered via a licence or under the authority of a National Federation but not the President of the latter,
- b. The person is not a member of the CEV European Refereeing Commission, FIVB Referee Commission or FIVB Rules of the Games Commission,
- c. The person is not a CEV or FIVB Beach Volleyball Supervisor, active International referee, Candidate International referee or CEV Referee Coach,
- d. The person is able to communicate in English with people from different countries and the CEV about any topic related to the CEV competition.

§3 A CEV Supervisor is appointed by the CEV following a proposal from the relevant Commission. A CEV Supervisor is eligible for an appointment to a match when the four following requirements are fulfilled:

- a. Such CEV Supervisor complies with article 17.2.2,
- b. For Club competitions, such CEV Supervisor successfully passed the E-Learning educational programme,
- c. Such CEV Supervisor is skilled enough according to the CEV internal evaluation process,
- d. Such CEV Supervisor is not a member, Official, representative, employee, individual registered via a licence or under the authority of a Participant to the match such individual is appointed to.

§4 In case of more than 2 matches played the same day, the CEV Supervisor is helped by an assistant.

§5 A CEV Supervisor is appointed to a match as follows:

CEV competition	Appointment of a CEV Supervisor or Jury
CEV EuroVolley	
Final phase	Jury
Other phases	CEV Supervisor
CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championships	
Final phase	Jury
Other phases	CEV Supervisor
CEV Volleyball European League	
All phases	CEV Supervisor
CEV European Cups	
All phases	CEV Supervisor

§6 The duties of the CEV Supervisor are:

- a. To ensure that the match is played in accordance with the Official Volleyball Rules and organised according to the FIVB and CEV Regulatory Frameworks,
- b. To conduct the following events when organised and fulfil the requirements related to them:
 - i. The General Organisation meeting,
 - ii. The site visit and inspections,
 - iii. The Preliminary inquiry meeting,
 - iv. The Technical meeting,
- c. To allow the entrance of a non-accredited individual in the Competition area,
- d. To conduct the Golden Set procedure,
- e. To fulfil the duties of the CEV Referee Coach in case of an absence or non-appointment of the latter,
- f. Those mentioned in the relevant CEV Guidelines.

§7 In case of an absence of the CEV Supervisor, the appointed CEV Referee Coach or the appointed First referee for the relevant match shall fulfil the duties of the CEV Supervisor.

17.2.3 Jury

§1 The Jury is the highest authority in the Competition related matters.

§2 The Jury is composed of a maximum of 9 members and includes, at least, 1 President, 1 Secretary, 1 organiser representative, 1 SRC member, 1 medical delegate. Other members may be appointed for refereeing, medical, media, legal or marketing related topics.

§3 Jury members are appointed by the Board of Administration and announced in the Official Communications.

§4 The duties of the Jury are those of the CEV Supervisor.

§5 All events related matters are handled by the Event Team, if applicable.

§6 The Event Team is composed by a Project Leader, an Event Manager, a Sport Presentation Manager and the CEV Office Staff.

17.3 Inspection process

17.3.1 General provisions

§1 The inspection process is composed of the site visits and inspections.

§2 The following individuals shall participate in the inspection process:

- a. The relevant CEV Official,
- b. The Organising director.

§3 The National Federation Responsible should participate in the inspection process.

§4 After completion of a part of the inspection process, the relevant CEV Official shall provide a report via the relevant CEV form.

17.3.2 Site visit

§1 A site visit is carried out well in advance according to the following situations:

- a. The Competition hall data are provided after the deadline set for the relevant CEV form,
- b. The Competition hall data provided demonstrate that the requirements are not fulfilled,
- c. The relevant Commission or the Board of Administration requires it.

§2 For each level of a CEV competition, the relevant Commission may require one or more site visits to be carried out well in advance by the relevant CEV Official. At least one site visit should be carried out for each Final phase of a CEV competition.

§3 The first site visit should take place according to the following table:

CEV competition	When
National Team competitions	
Final phase	At least 1 year before the start of the phase.
Other phases	At least 2 months before the start of the phase.
Club competitions	
All phases	As required by the CEV

17.3.3 Inspections

§1 For each match or tournament, there are two inspections - an initial and a final one - which concern the Competition hall only and are carried out by the relevant CEV Official.

§2 Purposes of the initial inspection are as follows:

- a. Take an initial impression on the fulfilment of the requirements concerning the Competition hall,
- b. Grant additional time to the Organiser to fulfil such requirements,
- c. Approve or deny the use of a warm-up court.

§3 The purpose of the final inspection is to eventually verify the fulfilment of the requirements concerning the Competition hall.

§4 Obligations of the Organiser and the time for carrying out the inspections are mentioned in article 82.

Chapter 3: Participation

The provisions of this chapter apply for all CEV competitions. These provisions are completed either by the provisions for National Team competitions or Club competitions.

18. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- §1 A National Federation, Club or Player is eligible to participate to a CEV competition when it is registered to such competition and confirmed by the CEV.
- §2 A Participant shall fulfil the requirements of these regulations and comply with such regulations.
- §3 A National Federation shall inform the CEV, the relevant CEV Official and the National Federations of the Referees about any withdrawal in a match.

19. TEAM ELIGIBILITY – REGISTRATION IN A CEV COMPETITION

19.1 Registration criteria

- §1 A National Federation or Club applying for its registration to a CEV competition shall fulfil:
 - a. The requirements of articles 17.1.1 §4, 19, 44.1 §5, 126.1 and 126.2,
 - b. The specific additional requirements set for National Team competitions, Club competitions and/or each CEV competition.

19.2 Registration procedure

- §1 The National Federation and Club fulfil the requested requirements and submit the relevant CEV form and documents; for each CEV competition it intends to register itself.
- §2 Registration by the CEV is confirmed by a written communication to the National Federation and/or Club.

19.3 Affiliation

- §1 The National Federation is a member of the CEV and the Club a member of this National Federation.
- §2 The club registered in the CEV competitions shall participate in the National League of their respective National Federation in the same season.

19.4 Number of Participants

- §1 The CEV may set a maximum number of Participants per CEV competition.
- §2 The CEV sets a maximum number of Participants per National Federation in the CEV competitions.

19.5 Commitment

- §1 A National Federation has fulfilled all its commitments towards the CEV.
- §2 A National Federation agrees to comply with the CEV Regulatory Framework and ensure that its members, Officials, representatives, employees, individuals registered via a licence or under its authority comply with them too.

19.6 Data

- §1 A National Federation or Club provides the CEV with the complete, true and accurate data necessary to the organisation of a CEV competition and promotion of Volleyball.

20. PLAYER ELIGIBILITY – REGISTRATION OF PLAYERS IN A CEV COMPETITION

20.1 Registration criteria

- §1 A Player and/or Participant applying for the registration of this Player to a CEV competition shall fulfil:
- a. The requirements of articles 20, 44.1 §5 and 45.1,
 - b. The specific additional requirements set for National Team competitions, Club competitions and/or each CEV competition.
- §2 Registration of a Player in a CEV competition is denied in case such Player is suspended by the FIVB and/or the CEV for such competition.

20.2 Registration procedure

- §1 The Participant shall apply for the Player licence and the CEV collective licence, for each CEV competition it intends to register the Player, by providing the relevant CEV forms and paying the fee, before the deadlines set in the Official Communications.
- §2 Registration is managed according to articles 26.2 and 33.2 for National Federations and Clubs respectively.
- §3 Registration of a Player in a CEV competition is confirmed when the Player licence and CEV collective licence are submitted to and approved by the CEV.

20.3 Player licence

- §1 A Player licence is valid when the Player is registered to a CEV competition, only valid for this CEV competition and ceases to be after the last match of this CEV competition.

20.4 CEV collective licence

- §1 The CEV collective licence is the document gathering all the Player licences.
- §2 A CEV collective licence is valid when it is submitted to and approved by the CEV, only valid for this CEV competition and ceases to be valid after the last match of this CEV competition.

21. TEAM DELEGATION

21.1 General provisions

- §1 A Participant participates to a CEV competition with a Team delegation.
- §2 An individual is considered as a Team delegation member when such individual is mentioned in the relevant CEV bis form.
- §3 Only Team delegation members (the Players and up to 5 Team delegation members, coach included) mentioned in the E-scoresheet enter the Competition area during a match. The medical staff shall fulfil the requirement of article 49.
- §4 With regard to article 4.1.1 of the Official Volleyball Rules, the Coach shall select up to 4 of them and inform the relevant CEV Official at the Preliminary Inquiry. The Coach may change one or more of these persons no later than 1 hour before the start of the match, without any valid reason.
- §5 Notwithstanding article 4.1.1 of the Official Volleyball Rules, the Team manager and the Team Media officer are not allowed to sit on the team bench.
- §6 The provisions of article 4.1.1 of the Official Volleyball Rules apply to the following CEV competitions:

CEV competition	All phases
CEV EuroVolley	Yes
CEV Volleyball European League	Yes
European Cups	Yes

Other CEV competitions	-
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21.2 Composition

§1 A Team delegation is composed of individuals as follows:

CEV competition	Maximum number of persons	Minimum number of Players	Maximum number of Players	Team Officials	Extra-Team Officials
CEV EuroVolley					
Final phase	26	12	14	7 including TM, C and TMO	5
Other phases	25		14	6 including TM and C	
CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championships					
Final phase	23	10	14	6 including TM, C and MD or T	3
Other phases	23		14		3
CEV Volleyball European League					
All phases	25	12	14	6 including TM, C and TMO	5
CEV Champions League Volley					
Final phase	26	12	14	7 including TM, C and TMO	5
Other phases	25	12	14	6 including TM and C	
CEV Volleyball Cup					
All phases	25	12	14	6 including TM and C	5
CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup					
All phases	25	10	14	6 including TM and C	5

§2 C means Coach, TMO means Team Media Officer, TM means Team manager, MD means Medical doctor and T means Therapist.

§3 A Team delegation is compulsorily composed of the Players and Team delegation members with roles mentioned in the above table.

§4 In case of absence of a Team delegation member, such individual may be replaced but only by another individual assuming the same duties of the same role. If not replaced, the number of the Team delegation members is reduced accordingly.

§5 A Participant shall have the minimum number of Players mentioned in §1.

21.3 Information

§1 For each match, the Participant shall inform the CEV about its Team delegation composition, captain and appointed Liberos by providing the relevant CEV forms.

21.4 Selection procedure

21.4.1 General provisions

§1 For each match, the Team delegation of a Participant is composed of members who fulfil the following requirements:

- a. Each Team delegation member is mentioned in the relevant CEV bis form,

- b. Each Team delegation member is confirmed during the Preliminary inquiry.

21.4.2 Players

A) General provisions

- §1 For each match of a CEV competition, a first selection of registered Players is included in the first relevant CEV form. A second selection with a reduced number of Players from the first CEV form is included in the relevant CEV bis form.
- §2 A Player is considered to have played a match when such individual is mentioned in the E-scoresheet of such match.

B) Number

- §1 The maximum number of Players in each relevant CEV form is as follows:

CEV competition	CEV Form 04	CEV Form 05/09	CEV Form 05bis/09bis
CEV EuroVolley			
Final phase	Unlimited	24	14
CEV Volleyball European League			
All phases	Unlimited	24	14
CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championships			
All phases	Unlimited	24	14
CEV European Cups			
All phases	Unlimited	24	14
Other CEV competitions			
All phases	Unlimited	24	14

C) Liberos

- §1 Among the selected Players, a number of specialist defensive Players - Liberos - are designated according to the following:
 - a. For a Team composed of 13 Players or more: two Liberos,
 - b. For a Team composed of 12 Players, up to two Liberos,
 - c. For a Team composed of 11 Players or less: up to two Liberos.
- §2 The designation of one or more Liberos does not influence the maximum number of Players mentioned in B).

D) Change of Players after the selection procedure

- §1 A Participating team may change a Player under the following conditions:
 - a. Change is justified by duly proven medical reasons or Force Majeure,
 - b. Change is done before the preliminary inquiry,
 - c. The replacing Player complies with article 21.4.1.
- §2 Notwithstanding a and b, the Coach may change one or more designated Liberos by any other Player and/or Player by a Libero, no later than 1 hour before the start of the match, without any valid reason. The request should be submitted to the relevant CEV Supervisor or Jury.
- §3 Notwithstanding article 21.4.2 D) par.1 b. and c., a Participant may change one player after the Preliminary Inquiry, by a player registered on the relevant CEV form 05/09, if it is justified by duly proven medical reasons with medical attestation by the team doctor and approved by the supervisor..

The Team requesting such change will cover all related extra costs.

21.5 Medical doctor and Therapist

- §1 A Therapist has the following profile:
 - a. This person is certified as a physical therapist, athletic trainer, chiropractor or equivalent by the relevant health authorities,
 - b. This person holds a degree certifying a minimum of 3 years of university level education.

§2 The Medical doctor and Therapist may present an Official FIVB or CEV accreditation. In the absence of such accreditation, the Medical doctor and Therapist are not granted access to the Competition area during a match.

§3 Only upon request of the relevant CEV Official and in case of an injury, a non-accredited Medical doctor and Therapist may enter the Competition area during a match.

21.6 Team manager

§1 A Team manager has the following profile:

- a. Able to communicate in English with people from different countries,
- b. Experienced in team management at the international level.

§2 An appointed Team manager shall only exercise and fulfil the assigned duties of this role.

§3 The duties of a Team manager are:

- a. To be present during all matches of the Participant in a CEV competition,
- b. To ensure the presence of the Team delegation members at the relevant events,
- c. To attend, when organised, the following events and fulfil the requirements related to them:
 - i. The Preliminary inquiry,
- d. Those mentioned in the relevant CEV Guidelines.

§4 A Team manager shall fulfil such duties.

21.7 Team Media officer

§1 A Team Media officer has the following profile:

- a. Has a good working relationship with all players within their team,
- b. A Volleyball expert,
- c. Able to communicate in English with people from different countries,
- d. Experienced and qualified enough to act like a professional journalist or media/public consultant.

§2 The duties of a Team Media officer are:

- a. Coordinate all media activities of the team around the event,
- b. Ensure the attendance team members at all media actions and activities (e.g. media meeting),
- c. Coverage of the event from the teams' perspective on their respective channels.

21.8 Observer

§1 Each Participant in a CEV competition may send observers to a match of this competition in which it does not play. An observer is not a Team delegation member. Observation of a training session is prohibited.

§2 The Participant shall provide the Organiser with a written request, at least 5 days before the concerned match. Such request includes a commitment to use the collected data for non-commercial purposes and to grant access to these data only to the Team delegation members, Officials, representatives, employees of the Participant.

§3 An observer may record a match.

21.9 Default, withdrawal and incomplete Participant

§1 A Participant, declared in default, forfeits the relevant match. Result of such match is 3-0, with 25-0 for each set, in favour of the non-defaulting Participant.

§2 In a Club competition, a Participant withdrawal entails the loss of the right to participate during the next three seasons to the first Club competition it qualifies to. The withdrawn participant shall be held liable for the inflicting costs to other participants as a result of his withdrawal.

§3 A Participant, declared incomplete for a set of a match or for the match, loses the set or the match.

Chapter 4: National Team competitions

22. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- §1 The provisions of this chapter apply only to National Team competitions and complete the provisions of Chapter 3.
- §2 The CEV only registers one National Team per gender per National Federation per CEV competition.

23. CEV COMPETITIONS GOVERNING BODIES

- §1 The CEV European Volleyball Commission is responsible for supervising and monitoring the organisation of National Team competitions.
- §2 Either the CEV Supervisor or the Jury is responsible for supervising and monitoring the organisation and progress of a match of a National Team competition.
- §3 The National Federation Responsible is responsible for verifying and supporting the organisation of all matches in its National Federation.

24. CEV COMPETITIONS GOVERNING RULES

- §1 A match of a National Team competition is conducted also by the CEV Official Match Protocol with national anthems.

25. CEV NATIONAL TEAM RANKING LIST

- §1 National Federations are ranked according to a CEV National Team ranking list. There is one ranking list per gender and per age group category. It is updated after each edition of the relevant CEV competition.
- §2 This ranking list is established by an allocation of points which are earned by a National Federation following its participation in determined Volleyball competitions and their qualification processes.
- §3 The number of allocated points depends on the final standing of the National Federation in a Volleyball competition and the status of such competition. Such points are allocated after the last match of the Volleyball competition.
- §4 Points are allocated according to the following principles:
 - a. When a Volleyball competition is part of a qualification process to another CEV or FIVB competition, only the highest number of points allocated for these competitions is taken into consideration,
 - b. When 2 or more Volleyball competitions have at least a part of their match calendar in common and a National Federation participates to these Volleyball competitions, only the allocated points of the Volleyball competition previously selected by such National Federation are taken into consideration. The National Federation shall inform the CEV about its choice, before the deadlines set in the Official Communications.
- §5 When 2 or more National Federations have the same number of points, such National Federations are ranked according to their standing in the latest CEV EuroVolley and the CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championship edition where at least one of these National Federations participated.

26. PLAYER ELIGIBILITY – REGISTRATION OF PLAYERS IN A CEV COMPETITION

26.1 Registration criteria

- §1 For a level of a CEV competition organised in a tournament and to which a National Team plays a match, a Player of this team is registered before the day of the first match of such tournament.
- §2 A Player complies with Section I of the FIVB Sports Regulations.
- §3 A Player mentioned in the E-scoresheet of a match of a National Team competition shall not be part of a Team delegation for another National Team competition when the match calendars of both competitions overlap.
- §4 An athlete cannot participate to more than two age-group categories (incl. senior) per year for NFs in Category 4 and 5.

26.2 Registration procedure

- §1 Any registration application received by the CEV within the period mentioned in the Official Communications or CEV forms created on the CEV database may be approved by the CEV as follows:
 - a. Only after the day of the match if the level is not organised in a tournament,
 - b. Only after the last match of the tournament if the level is organised in a tournament.

27. TEAM DELEGATION EQUIPMENT

- §1 The Team delegation equipment complies with Chapter 6 and Annex A of the FIVB Event Regulations.
- §2 Additionally, the Player's equipment including the Uniform is defined according to the Official Volleyball Rules and complies with the latter.
- §3 A National Federation shall have a number of Uniforms as follows:

CEV competition	No tournament	Tournament
CEV EuroVolley		
All phases	2	3
CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championships		
Final phase	-	3
Other phases	2	2
CEV Volleyball European League		
All phases	2	3

- §4 Before a match, a National Federation shall inform the CEV about the chosen Player's equipment by providing the relevant CEV form.
- §5 The shirts and shorts of National Teams are numbered from 1 to 99.

Chapter 5: Club competitions

28. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- §1 The provisions of this chapter apply only to Club competitions and complete the provisions of Chapter 3.

29. CEV COMPETITIONS GOVERNING BODIES

- §1 The CEV European Volleyball Commission is responsible for supervising and monitoring the organisation of Club competitions.
- §2 The CEV Supervisor is responsible for supervising and monitoring the organisation and progress of a match of a Club competition.
- §3 The National Federation European Cups Responsible is responsible for verifying and supporting the organisation of all matches of the Clubs of its National Federation.

30. CEV COMPETITION GOVERNING RULES

- §1 A match of the European Cups is conducted also by the CEV Official Match Protocol without national anthems.

31. TEAM ELIGIBILITY – REGISTRATION IN A CEV COMPETITION

31.1 General provisions

- §1 The CEV only registers a maximum number of Clubs per gender and per National Federation as follows:
- 5 in all Club competitions,
 - 3 in the CEV Champions League Volley.
- §2 The winning Club of a CEV Zonal Association Cup or Zonal Association Championship is not considered in the calculation of the maximum number of Participants for each and all Club competitions, when this club is qualified via one of the allocation options selected by its National Federation.
- §3 The club granted with a wild card is not considered in the calculation of the maximum number of Participants for each and all club competition, however, a National Federation granted with a wild card in the CEV Champions League Volley shall not be entitled to an additional slot handover the CEV Zonal Association Cup or Zonal Association championship.
- §4 The number of Participants per National Federation is determined according to the CEV European Cups ranking list.

31.2 European Cups ranking list

- §1 National Federations are ranked according to an CEV European Cups ranking list. There is, per gender, one ranking list for the CEV Champions League Volley and one for the CEV Volleyball Cup and Challenge Cup. It is updated after each edition of the relevant CEV competition.
- §2 This ranking list is established by an allocation of points which are earned by the Clubs of a National Federation following their participation in determined CEV competitions.

31.3 Qualification

31.3.1 General provisions

- §1 According to the European Cups ranking list, each National Federation may allocate, to its Clubs, a determined number of slots in each Club competition.
- §2 A Club may apply for a registration in the CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup without being allocated a slot. At its sole discretion, the CEV decides about that application.

- §3 A Club may apply in its registration application for a promotion from the CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup to the CEV Volleyball Cup in case of vacancy in such Club competition.
- §4 The CEV remains the final decision maker concerning the Club competition where a Club will be registered.

31.3.2 Allocation options

- §1 Three allocation options are proposed to each National Federation which shall select only one. The options have no influence on the number of allocated slots. Any change of option will be taken into consideration for a season if the National Federation communicates its choice no later than 01 September of the year prior to the start of such season.
- §2 The options available to National Federations are:
 - a. Option A: Only the final standing of the National Championship (after any playoffs) is taken into account,
 - b. Option B: Only the final standing of the National Championship (after any playoffs) is taken into account with a guaranteed slot for the National Cup winner in the CEV Volleyball Cup,
 - c. Option C: Only the final standing of the National Championship (after any playoffs) is taken into account, with a guaranteed slot for the National Cup winner in the CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup.
- §3 The qualified Clubs are determined according to the standings from the season preceding the start of the Club competitions season.
- §4 When not used by the National Cup winner, the guaranteed slot is not transferable to the runner-up of the National Cup.

31.3.3 Allocation principles

A) Order

- §1 Slots are allocated to Clubs according to a combination of the following principles:
 - a. Club competitions are filled in the following descending order: CEV Champions League Volley then CEV Volleyball Cup then CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup. Slots of a Club competition are allocated only after all slots of the previous Club competition are allocated,
 - b. Clubs are allocated in the descending order of the final standing of the National Championship (after any playoffs) unless a slot is guaranteed according to the allocation option selected,
 - c. The first slot is always allocated to the best ranked Club according to the above-mentioned final standing, notwithstanding any allocation option selected.

B) Absence or denial of application

- §1 In case a Club, being allocated a slot, does not apply or is denied registration in a Club competition, such Club may only be registered in the CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup. Such Club may apply only if there is a vacancy.
- §2 Notwithstanding the above-mentioned, when the best ranked Club of a National Federation, being allocated a slot, does not apply or is denied registration in the CEV Champions League Volley; such Club may be registered in the CEV Volleyball Cup, if this club had a guaranteed slot in the CEV Volleyball Cup or there is a vacancy.

C) Vacancy

- §1 There is a vacancy in case a Club, being allocated a slot, does not apply or is denied registration.
- §2 In the CEV Champions League Volley, any vacancy is filled as follows:
 - a. By the next best ranked Club of the National Federation of the defaulting Club; with the following limitation:

- i. For National Federations ranked from the first to the third rank, the replacing Club shall not be ranked lower than the sixth rank above-mentioned final standing,
 - ii. For National Federations ranked from the fourth to the ninth rank, the replacing Club shall not be ranked lower than the fourth rank,
 - iii. For National Federations ranked from the tenth rank according to the CEV National Federations ranking list for European Cups, the replacing Club shall only be the first next best ranked.
- b. The replacing Club shall start in the first round of the CEV competition.
- §3 In the CEV Volleyball Cup, any vacancy is filled in the following descending order:
- a. By a Club, of another National Federation without any clubs applying or registered in this CEV competition, which applied for a promotion according to article 31.3.1 §3,
 - b. By the next best ranked Club of the National Federation of the defaulting Club which applied for this CEV competition or for the above-mentioned promotion,
 - c. By a Club, of another National Federation with one Club already registered for this CEV competition, which applied for the above-mentioned promotion,
 - d. By a Club, of another National Federation with two Clubs already registered for this CEV competition, which applied for the above-mentioned promotion.
- §4 In the CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup, any vacancy is filled in the following descending order:
- a. By the next best ranked Club of the National Federation of the defaulting Club,
 - b. By a Club of another National Federation which applied for registration according to article 31.3.1 §2.

32. TEAM DENOMINATION

- §1 The Team denomination complies with the following:
- a. The city or region name is included in the team denomination, displayed in capital letters and without any deviations from the Official city or region name,
 - b. Any other words preceding or following the city or region name are displayed in small letters, except for abbreviations,
 - c. The team denomination does not exceed 27 characters, spaces included.
 - d. The team denomination and logo do not contain any betting or gambling sponsor services or abbreviations of any betting partner.
- §2 A Club shall submit for approval its team denomination on the relevant CEV form.
- §3 A Club shall also provide a short name – maximum 15 characters – for communication and media purposes.
- §4 The participant shall propose in the relevant form a three letters code to each Club, inspired only from the city and/or Club name. The CEV will consider that some clubs are from the same city or region. The Team denomination and the code will be communicated after the Club registration.

33. PLAYER ELIGIBILITY – REGISTRATION OF PLAYERS IN A CEV COMPETITION

33.1 Registration criteria

- §1 The Player has at the time of registration a national licence issued by a National Federation for the same season as the European Cups season for which the Player applies for registration and such Player is starting to play or has played in the respective national competition(s). Such national licence exclusively associates the Player and the Club for which such Player intends to play a match of a Club competition (including national competitions). Notwithstanding the above, in one (1) season of the Club Competitions, a club may add up to two (2) players that have not been registered in a CEV Collective licence, after the CEV registration form deadline, and by no later than Monday – 24:00 CET time – before the start of the respective ¼ finals. A fee shall be paid according to table 127.2.3.

- §2 In case the Player's Federation of Origin is a different National Federation from the Club's, this Player complies with the FIVB and CEV Regulatory Frameworks related to the transfer of Players. In particular, the Player has an International Transfer Certificate issued by the FIVB or the CEV for the same season as the European Cup's for which the Player applies for registration.
- §3 In a season of the Club competitions, the Player licence is included in only one CEV collective licence approved by the CEV. Notwithstanding the above-mentioned, a Player licence may be removed from one CEV collective licence in order to be included in another one as follows:
- a. By no later than Monday – 24:00 CET time – before the start of the respective ¼ finals, when the Player never played a match with the previous club (including national competitions), only one (1) Player licence may be removed, and a fee shall be paid according to table 127.2.3.
 - b. By no later than Monday – 24:00 CET time – before the start of the 1/4 finals of the CEV Volleyball Cup and CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup; when there is a medical reason which is approved by the CEV office. Only one (1) Player licence may be removed. The new Player shall come from a different CEV competition or from a club eliminated from the same CEV Competition and a fee shall be paid, according to table 127.2.3.
 - c. Between the 3rd round and Monday – 24:00 CET time – before the start of the first leg of the 4th round of the CEV Champions League Volley; when there is a medical reason which is approved by the CEV office. Only one (1) Player licence may be removed. The new Player shall come from a different CEV competition, or a club eliminated from the CEV Champions League Volley and a fee shall be paid according to table 127.2.3,
 - d. During the 4th round and up to Monday – 24:00 CET time – before the start of the ¼ finals of the CEV Champions League Volley; when there is a medical reason which is approved by the CEV office. Only one (1) Player licence may be removed. The new Player shall come from a different CEV competition, or a club eliminated from the CEV Champions League Volley and a fee shall be paid according to table 127.2.3.
 - e. For the avoidance of doubt, no removal / inclusion of any Player licences shall be allowed after the mentioned deadlines above. Furthermore, a replaced player will not lose his/her Player licence for the rest of the season.

33.2 Registration procedure

- §1 Any registration application received by the CEV after a Monday – 24:00 CET time – may be approved by the CEV but only after the day of the match of the relevant Club competition scheduled the same week from Tuesday to Friday included,
- §2 Any registration application received by the CEV after a Wednesday – 24:00 CET time – may be approved by the CEV but only after the day of the match of the relevant Club competition scheduled the same week from Saturday to Sunday included.

33.3 Player licence

- §1 Notwithstanding article 20.3 §1 and at the sole exception of article 33.1 §3, a Player licence ceases also to be valid when the Player is issued another national licence by any National Federation, including any national federation from other continents.

34. TEAM DELEGATION EQUIPMENT

34.1 General provisions

- §1 The Team delegation equipment is composed of the following:
- a. The Player's equipment,
 - b. The Team Official equipment,
 - c. The Team accessories.

34.2 Player's equipment

34.2.1 Definition and information

- §1 The Player's equipment is composed of the following:
 - a. The Uniform, composed of the shirt, shorts and socks,
 - b. The sport shoes.
- §2 The Player's equipment is according to the Official Volleyball Rules and article 34.2.
- §3 Before the start of a Club competition edition, a Club shall inform the CEV about the colours of its different sets of Uniforms by providing the relevant CEV form. The CEV will fix the Uniforms to be used by the Club depending on its "visiting or "hosting" status.
- §4 Clubs are informed via the Official Communications. Clubs shall play with the Uniforms fixed by the CEV. In case of a Uniform colours clash observed by the CEV Supervisor, the Club with the "hosting" status shall change its Uniform.

34.2.2 Uniform

- §1 The Uniform is according to the following:
 - a. Have an athletic look, follow the bodyline and not be loose or baggy,
 - b. Have all letters and numbers in Latin characters and in a contrasting colour to the background on which they are displayed,
 - c. Have the shirt and shorts numbered from 1 to 99,
 - d. Be in accordance with the CEV Guidelines.
- §2 For Women Players, the Uniform may be in one piece.
- §3 Each Club shall have a minimum of 2 sets of Uniforms, each one of a contrasting colour.

34.3 Team Official equipment

- §1 All Team Officials in the Competition hall are dressed in an identical manner, with the sole exception of the Therapist
- §2 The Officials on the bench must conform to either of the following dress code options:
 - a. All to wear their official training suit and a polo shirt of the same colour and style,
 - b. All to wear dress jacket, collared dress shirt with or without tie or polo shirt and formal slacks of the same colour and style.

34.4 Team accessories

- §1 Track suits or any other clothing worn by the Players in the Training hall or in the Competition hall meet the Uniform requirements.
- §2 Compression pads are approved but are required to be of the same colour design as the Uniform. No padding is allowed in compression forearm guards, as it provides advantages to the Players' performances. Neutral colours, black or white are acceptable. Teams using compression pads shall be uniform in colour / design for all Players.
- §3 Any manufacturer's logo displayed on accessories must not exceed 6 cm².
- §4 No accessories may contain any other advertising.

Chapter 6: Information and CEV forms

35. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- §1 In case a specific mean of communication is mentioned in these regulations or the Official Communication, an information is only taken into consideration when received via this mean of communication.
- §2 An information is provided only when required by these regulations and according to the CEV instructions.
- §3 Content of the CEV forms and documents are related to the purpose of such forms.
- §4 Additional information related to other topics may be required according to the other sections of these regulations.
- §5 The deadline set for a CEV form or document, if not mentioned on the CEV form or document itself, is mentioned in the Official Communications or these regulations.

36. INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE PARTICIPANTS

36.1 Registration of a Club or National Federation in a CEV competition

- §1 The CEV 01 form is filled in via the CEV database and sent via registered mail.
- §2 Purposes of such a form are, for a Club or a National Federation:
 - a. To apply for a registration in a CEV competition,
 - b. To provide the CEV with all necessary documents and agreements.

36.2 Registration of a Player in a CEV competition

36.2.1 Player licence form

- §1 The CEV 04 form is sent via the CEV database.
- §2 Purposes of such a form are:
 - a. For a Participant, to apply for a registration of a Player in a CEV competition,
 - b. For the CEV, to collect Player's data.

36.2.2 CEV collective licence

- §1 The CEV 04 form is sent via the CEV database.
- §2 Purposes of such a form are:
 - a. For a Participant, to apply for the registration of its Team member,
 - b. For the CEV, to collect Team member's data.

36.3 Registration of a Team delegation in a level of a CEV competition

- §1 The CEV forms are:
 - a. For National Team competitions, the 05/09 and 05-bis/09-bis forms,
 - b. For Club competitions, the 09 and 09-bis forms.
- §2 Such forms are sent via the CEV database. The CEV 09-bis and CEV 05-bis forms are provided before the start of the Preliminary inquiry.
- §3 Purposes of such forms are:
 - a. For a Participant, to select Players and register Team delegation members for a level of a CEV competition,
 - b. For the CEV, to collect Team delegation's data.

37. INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE ORGANISER

37.1 Organisational Chart

- §1 The CEV 02 form is sent via the CEV database.
- §2 Purpose of such a form is to inform the CEV about the Organiser workforce, provide the CEV with contact details and information related to the sets of Uniforms.

37.2 Match organisation

- §1 The CEV 07 form is sent via the CEV database.
- §2 The CEV CH-07-T is sent via any means.
- §3 Purposes of the forms are:
 - a. To propose to or inform the visiting Participant regarding the list of hotels,
 - b. To provide information regarding the Competition and Training halls, transport and accommodation,
 - c. To propose to the CEV the match calendar and Daily match schedule.
- §4 The CEV 07-bis form is provided via any means, no later than 2 weeks before the match.
- §5 Purpose of such a form is a request for changing the match calendar and/or Daily match schedule.
- §6 The CEV 06 form is provided via any means, no later than 2 weeks before the first leg of the match.
- §7 Purposes of such a form are, for the Organiser of one leg of a "Home and Away" match:
 - a. A request for organising the other leg,
 - b. A request for changing the legs order.

37.3 General information

- §1 The CEV 08 form is sent via the CEV database.
- §2 Purpose of such a form is to inform the CEV and the visiting Participant about various topics.

37.4 Match information

- §1 The following documents are sent via registered mail:
 - a. Hand signed E-scoresheet with the list of Participants only,
 - b. Hand signed E-scoresheet completed,
 - c. Hand signed E-scoresheet scoring report.
- §2 Purpose of the E-scoresheet is according to article 95.2.

37.5 Media

37.5.1 Media form

- §1 The Media form is sent to the CEV – for the first part – no later than 24 before the start of a match and – for the second part – no later than 30 minutes after completion of a match.
- §2 Purpose of such form is to distribute fresh, easy-to-chunk information for fans and media alike.

37.5.2 Accredited media list

- §1 The CEV PR-01 form is sent to the CEV no later than 3 days after completion of a match or tournament via electronic mean.
- §2 Purpose of such form is to obtain a list of the media representatives attending a match and their contact information

37.5.3 Editorial feeds

- §1 At any time during the year, any information or interviews concerning a Team delegation member or a Participant may be submitted to the CEV.

37.5.4 Media kit

- §1 A Media kit is distributed to all accredited media, at their arrival.
- §2 The Media kit is provided to the CEV no later than one day before the start of a match or tournament via electronic mean.

37.6 Post event report

- §1 A post event report is sent via any means.
- §2 Purpose of such a form is to receive statistics, media clippings and screenshots, feedback and other sponsorship data for a level of a CEV competition.

38. INFORMATION SUBMITTED BY THE CEV OFFICIALS

38.1 Inspections

- §1 The CEV 03 form is sent via any means.
- §2 Purpose of such a form is to communicate the results of the site visit.

38.2 Preliminary inquiry

- §1 The CEV 10 form is sent via the CEV database.
- §2 Purpose of such a form is to communicate the results of the Preliminary inquiry.

38.3 Referees

- §1 The CEV R-4 form is sent via any means.
- §2 Purpose of such a form is to evaluate the performance of a referee during a match.

38.4 Report

- §1 The CEV forms are:
 - a. For National Team competitions, the relevant CH-13 form or CH-14 form,
 - b. For Club competitions, in the CEV database.
- §2 Such forms are sent via the CEV database or via registered mail.
- §3 Purpose of such forms is to evaluate the organisation of a level of a CEV competition.

Section 3: Refereeing

39. CEV REFEREEING BODIES

39.1 CEV European Refereeing Commission

39.1.1 Duties

- §1 The duties of the CEV European Refereeing Commission include, among others, the following:
- To appoint the CEV Referee Coaches,
 - To appoint the referees to all levels of a CEV competition with the sole exception of the Final phase of such competition,
 - To nominate the referees, who are appointed by the Board of Administration, to the Final phase of a CEV competition,
 - Where a CEV Referee Coach or Special Refereeing Commission is absent or not appointed in a level of a CEV competition, to appoint the referees to all matches of such level.
 - Monitor the performance of referees across all European competitions and mentor young, talented referees. When necessary, this can be supported by experienced external refereeing experts, as proposed by the ERC and approved by the CEV BoA.

39.2 CEV Referee Coach

- §1 The CEV Referee Coach is responsible for the smooth running of all refereeing matters.
- §2 A CEV Referee Coach has the following profile:
- The person should be a member of the CEV European Refereeing Commission,
 - The person successfully passed the Candidate Referee Coach Seminar.
 - The person turned maximum 75 years old during the year of the nomination.
- §3 A CEV Referee Coach is appointed by the CEV European Refereeing Commission. An individual should not be appointed as CEV Referee Coach to a level of a CEV competition in case at least one of the following situations applies to him:
- A member, Official, representative, employee, individual registered via a licence or under the authority of:
 - The National Federation of the Host country, or
 - A Participant in the event a CEV Referee Coach will be appointed to, or
 - The National Federation of the appointed referees.
 - Has the nationality of the country of a National Federation mentioned above in i, ii, or iii,
 - Has his permanent domicile in the country of a National Federation mentioned above in i, ii, or iii.
- §4 A CEV Referee Coach is appointed to a of a CEV competition as follows:

CEV competition	Appointment of a RCor SRC
CEV EuroVolley	
Final phase	SRC
Other phases	-
CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championships	
Final phase	SRC
Other phases	RC
CEV Volleyball European League	
Final phase	RC
Other phases	-
CEV Champions League Volley	
From 1/4 finals	RC

Other phases	-
CEV Volleyball Cup	
All phases	-
CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup	
All phases	-

§5 SRC means Special Refereeing Commission and RD means CEV Referee Coach.

§6 The duties of the CEV Referee Coach are:

- a. To appoint the referees to all matches of the CEV competition such individual is appointed to,
- b. To supervise and evaluate the referees' performances in all matches of the event such individual is appointed to,
- c. To assign the nominated National Technical Officials,
- d. To answer any refereeing or rules-based question raised,
- e. To attend, when organised, the following events and fulfil the requirements related to them:
 - i. The Technical meeting,
 - ii. The medical examination of Match Officials,
- f. To conduct, when organised, the following events and fulfil the requirements related to them:
 - i. The Refereeing clinic,
 - ii. The daily refereeing meetings.
- g. To fulfil the duties of the CEV Supervisor in case of an absence of the latter,
- h. Those mentioned in the relevant CEV Guidelines.

§7 In case of an absence or non-appointment of the CEV Referee Coach, the appointed CEV Supervisor for the relevant match shall fulfil his duties with the sole exception of points a and b. Article 39.2 §3 applies to the CEV Supervisor.

39.3 Special Refereeing Commission

§1 The Special Refereeing Commission is composed of CEV Referee Coaches nominated by the CEV European Refereeing Commission. Their minimum number is defined as minimum one member per Competition venue - with a maximum of 2 matches per day.

§2 The Special Refereeing Commission is appointed by the Board of Administration.

§3 The duties of the Special Refereeing Commission are those of the CEV Referee Coach and also to attend, when organised, the daily meetings of the Jury and fulfil the requirements related to it.

40. MATCH OFFICIALS

40.1 Referees

§1 A referee of a match has the following profile:

- a. An International referee candidate or an International referee,
- b. Complies with the requirements mentioned in chapter 10 of the FIVB Sports Regulations.

§2 A referee is appointed by the CEV European Refereeing Commission or the CEV Referee Coach. A referee is eligible for an appointment to a match when the four following requirements are fulfilled:

- a. Such referee complies with article 40.1,
- b. Such referee is mentioned in the annual International Volleyball and Candidate International Referees list of a National Federation,
- c. Such referee was declared fit to fulfil his/her duties,
- d. Such referee successfully completed the E-Learning educational programme.

§3 An individual should not be appointed as referee to a match in case at least one of the following situations apply to him:

- a. A member, Official, representative, employee, individual registered via a licence or under the authority of:
 - i. The National Federation of the Host country, or
 - ii. A Participant in the match or group/pool in the Tournament such referee will be appointed to.
 - b. Has the nationality of the country of a National Federation mentioned in "a.i" or "a.ii".
 - c. Has his permanent domicile in the country of a National Federation mentioned in "a.i" or "a.ii".
 - d. A referee is appointed to a match according to the evaluation of such referee and the criteria defined by the CEV European Refereeing Commission such as the referee, experience, FIVB classification category, CEV classification category or medical examination.
- §4 Notwithstanding the above mentioned, the individual to be appointed as a Reserve referee to a match:
- a. Shall be mentioned in the annual International Volleyball and Candidate International Referees List of the National Federation of the Organiser of the match such referee shall be appointed to,
 - b. Shall be nominated by the National Federation of such Organiser before being appointed,
 - c. One or more of the situations mentioned in article 40.1 § 3 shall apply to him/her.
- §5 A withdrawal from an appointment may be accepted for exceptional reasons only. The referee shall inform immediately the CEV European Refereeing Commission and the CEV - referee@cev.eu.
- §6 The duties of a referee are:
- a. To conduct a match according to article 11. §2,
 - b. Those mentioned in the Official Volleyball Rules,
 - c. To attend, when organised, the following events and fulfil the requirements related to them:
 - i. The Technical meeting,
 - ii. The Refereeing Clinic,
 - iii. The daily refereeing meetings.
 - d. For the Reserve referee only, to act as intermediary between the CEV Referee Coach and the Organiser,
 - e. Those mentioned in the relevant CEV Guidelines.
- §7 In case of an absence of the First referee, the appointed Second referee shall fulfil his duties, and the Reserve referee shall fulfil the duties of the Second referee. In case of an absence of the Second referee, the Reserve referee shall fulfil his duties.
- §8 The number of nominated referees per National Federation is listed in the FIVB Sports Regulations
- §9 Each match is conducted by two referees, the First referee and Second referee.
- §10 For a level of a CEV competition organised without tournament, two referees are appointed per match. For a level of a CEV competition organised with a tournament, the maximum number of referees appointed per tournament equals the number of Participants in such tournament. In case of several Competition venues used for such level, an additional number of referees equal to the number of Competition halls should be added.
- §11 A Reserve referee is appointed according to article 41. §4 g.
- §12 The CEV Referee Coach shall evaluate the referees' performances. Evaluation is made using the relevant CEV form. A copy of the completed CEV form is provided to the evaluated referee.
- §13 The suspension and withdrawal of International Referees is regulated in the FIVB Sports Regulations.
- §14 Notwithstanding Article 40.1 §3, in force majeure or extraordinary circumstances, the CEV European Refereeing Commission may appoint International referees and/or International

referee candidates despite the fact that one or more of the situations mentioned in the said article may apply to them

§15 At the end of the year when he/she turned 55, an international referee must decide between 3 options:

- a. Keep on refereeing (for 5 years maximum), after being downgraded to a lower group;
- b. Become a Challenge Referee (until 65 years old maximum)
- c. Stop his/her international refereeing career;

The chosen option is final and can not be changed when he/she turned 60. Regardless the option chosen by the International Referee, it must be supported/notified by an official letter from the referee's National Federation to the CEV and ERC

40.2 Challenge Referees

§1 A Challenge referee of a match has the following profile:

- a. A former International referee
- b. Complies with the requirements mentioned in chapter 11 of the FIVB Sports Regulations.
- c. The person turned maximum 65 years old during the year of the nomination.

§2 A Challenge referee is appointed by the CEV European Refereeing Commission. A referee is eligible for an appointment to a match when the four following requirements are fulfilled:

- a. Such Challenge Referee complies with article 40.2
- b. Such Challenge Referee is mentioned in the annual International Volleyball and Candidate International Referees list of a National Federation,
- c. Such Challenge Referee was declared fit to fulfil his/her duties,
- d. Such referee successfully completed the E-Learning educational programme.

§3 An individual should not be appointed as Challenge Referee to a match in case at least one of the following situations apply to him:

- a. A member, Official, representative, employee, individual registered via a licence or under the authority of: i. The National Federation of the Host country, or ii. A Participant in the match or group/pool in the Tournament such referee will be appointed to.
- b. Has the nationality of the country of a National Federation mentioned in i or ii,
- c. Has his permanent domicile in the country of a National Federation mentioned in i or ii.

§4 A Challenge Referee is appointed to a match according to the evaluation of such Challenge Referee and the criteria defined by the CEV European Refereeing Commission such as the challenge referee, experience, FIVB classification category, CEV classification category or medical examination.

§5 A withdrawal from an appointment may be accepted for exceptional reasons only. The referee shall inform immediately the CEV European Refereeing Commission and the CEV - referee@cev.eu.

§6 Specific Challenge Referees are appointed by the ERC according to the following table.

CEV competition	Nomination of a Challenge Referee
CEV EuroVolley	
Final Phase	Yes (one per venue)
CEV Volleyball European League	
Final phase (final 4) or Final Matches (H-A)	Yes
League Round	Yes
CEV Champions League Volley	
From Playoffs	Yes
Other phases	-
CEV Volleyball Cup	
From Playoffs	Yes

Other phases	-
CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup	
Final Matches H-A	Yes
Other phases	-

§7 When there is Challenge System used but no specific Challenge Referee appointed, the 2nd Referee is responsible for reviewing the Challenge requests.

41. NATIONAL TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

§1 A National Technical Official has the following profile:

- a. Able to communicate in English with people from different countries,
- b. Skilled and trained enough to fulfil his duties.

§2 A National Technical Official is nominated by the National Federation of the Organiser and appointed by the CEV Referee Coach.

§3 Such National Federation shall provide adequate training in order to allow a National Technical Official to fulfil his duties.

§4 For each match, the National Federation of the Organiser shall nominate a number of National Technical Officials, as follows:

- a. One Scorer,
- b. One Statistician,
- c. One Assistant scorer,
- d. One Assistant statistician
- e. Two to four Line judges (no line judges when the Challenge System is used),
- f. Six Ball retrievers,
- g. Four Quick moppers.

§5 The National Federation of the Organiser shall nominate one Reserve referee as follows:

CEV competition	Nomination of a Reserve referee
CEV EuroVolley & CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championships	
Tournament	-
No tournament	Yes
CEV Volleyball European League	
Tournament	-
No tournament	Yes
CEV Champions League Volley	
All phases	Yes
CEV Volleyball Cup	
Final phase	Yes
Other phases	Yes
CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup	
Final phase	Yes
Other phases	-

§6 A referee candidate can be appointed as Reserve Referee for CEV Competitions, except for all CEV Champions League matches, and for EuroVolley Final Phase matches

§7 The National Federation of the Organiser shall nominate other National Technical Officials as mentioned in the Official Communications.

§8 Reserve individuals are nominated in order to replace, if necessary, an appointed National Technical Official.

§9 The duties of a National Technical Official are:

- a. To fulfil his duties mentioned in the Official Volleyball Rules,
- b. To comply with the relevant documents,
- c. To attend the Refereeing clinic,
- d. To attend, when requested, the daily refereeing meetings,
- e. To follow the instructions of the Special Refereeing Commission, CEV Referee Coach and referees,
- f. Those mentioned in the relevant CEV Guidelines.

42. REFEREEING CLINIC

Refer to article 87.

Section 4: Medical & Prevention on competitions manipulation

43. CEV MEDICAL BODIES

43.1 CEV European Medical Commission

- §1 The duties of the CEV European Medical Commission include, among others, the following:
- a. To appoint the CEV Medical Delegate,
 - b. To declare a Referee fit or unfit to complete his duties.

43.2 CEV Medical Delegate

- §1 The CEV Medical Delegate is responsible for the smooth running of all medical topics.
- §2 The CEV Medical Delegate should be a CEV European Medical Commission member.
- §3 The CEV Medical Delegate is appointed by the CEV European Medical Commission. A CEV Medical Delegate is appointed to a level of a CEV competition as follows:

CEV competition	Appointment of a CEV Medical Delegate
CEV EuroVolley	
Final phases	Yes
Other phases	Optional
CEV U22 Volleyball European Championship	
Final phases	Yes
Other phases	Optional
CEV U20 Volleyball European Championship	
Final phases	Yes
Other phases	Optional
CEV U18 and U16 Volleyball European Championships	
All phases	Optional
CEV Volleyball European League	
Final phase	Yes
Other phases	-
CEV Champions League Volley	
Final phase	Yes
Other phases	-
CEV Volleyball Cup	
Away match of the Final	Yes
Other matches	-
CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup	
All phases	-

In case a member of the European Medical Commission is not appointed to a CEV competition requiring the presence of a Medical Delegate (see the table under article 43.2), the Organiser shall guarantee that at least one qualified doctor will act as local Medical Delegate at all venues during the competition

- §4 Such individual has authority on the Organiser regarding the enforcement of any provisions of this chapter.
- §5 The duties of the CEV Medical Delegate are:
- a. To ensure the Organiser complies with these regulations,
 - b. The Medical Delegate must check that the Doping Control Station (DCS) facilities are ready upon their arrival.

- c. To supervise the medical examination of referees during a CEV competition,
- d. To make recommendation concerning the suitability of a Match Official,
- e. To monitor the first aid provided,
- f. To supervise the nutrition for Players,
- g. To enforce the FIVB injury surveillance program,
- h. To attend, when requested by a Jury or CEV Supervisor, any official meeting and fulfil the requirements related to it.
- i. Those mentioned in the relevant CEV Guidelines.

44. ANTI-DOPING RULES

44.1 General provisions

- §1 The FIVB is the Anti-Doping Organisation responsible for adopting rules for initiating, implementing or enforcing any part of the Doping Control process in the sport of Volleyball.
- §2 The FIVB's Anti-Doping Rules, included in the FIVB Medical & Anti-Doping Regulations, apply for each, any and all doping related items in a CEV competition.
- §3 In particular, the FIVB's Anti-Doping Rules apply to the definition of Doping, the meaning of particular words related to Doping, the anti-doping rule violations, the Doping Control, the sanctions, the consequences for Participants, the amendment and the interpretation of the FIVB's Anti-Doping Rules.
- §4 In case words are neither defined in article 8 nor in the FIVB's Anti-Doping Rules, such words shall have the meaning described in the World Anti-Doping Code and/or International Standards.
- §5 A National Federation or Club, its members, Team delegation members, Officials, representatives, employees, individuals registered via a licence or under its authority shall agree to abide by the FIVB's Anti-Doping Rules in order to be registered and/or accredited in a CEV competition.

44.2 Doping control

- §1 Based on the agreement between CEV, FIVB and ITA the complete management of the doping control is fully organised and monitored by ITA. The role of the Medical Delegate in that process is described above, in 43.2 5 b.

44.3 Therapeutic Use Exemption

- §1 The FIVB is in charge of the Therapeutic Use Exemption - TUE.
- §2 In cases where a severe medical condition occurs during a CEV competition and a Player needs to apply for a TUE, the CEV Medical delegate can approve an expedited TUE which shall be valid for the duration of such CEV competition only. The FIVB TUE Committee must be immediately informed of such cases.
- §3 Any TUE document shall be presented during the Preliminary Inquiry. Any TUE document has to be deposited to the Supervisor in a sealed envelope and must be unsealed only in case of doping control.

44.4 Anti-Doping Rule violation

- §1 An Anti-Doping Rule violation is sanctioned according to the FIVB's Anti-Doping rules.

45. MEDICAL EXAMINATION

- §1 Content of the medical examination are confidential. All relevant parties shall act accordingly.

45.1 Players

- §1 A Player undertakes a medical examination.

- §2 The medical examination confirms:
 - a. The good health of the Player,
 - b. The Player's ability to travel by any means of transportation,
 - c. The Player's ability to play Volleyball matches.
- §3 The medical doctor confirming the points mentioned in §2 shall take into account that the Player will play under demanding and stressful conditions, including without limitation heat and high physical exertions which can last up to 3 hours.

45.2 CEV Officials

- §1 In order to be appointed as a CEV Official, an individual shall undertake a medical examination in order to present evidence of adequate health to permit completion of their assigned duties and travel by any means of transportation.
- §2 Based on such medical examination, the CEV European Medical Commission decides if a CEV Official is fit or unfit to fulfil his duties.

45.3 Match Officials

45.3.1 Before being appointed

- §1 In order to be appointed as a Referee, an individual shall undertake a medical examination in order to present evidence of adequate health and fitness to permit completion of their assigned duties.
- §2 Based on such medical examination, the FIVB Medical Commission proposes to declare a referee fit or unfit to fulfil his duties. Such proposal may come with reservation.
- §3 Based on both medical examination and proposal, the CEV European Medical Commission decides if a referee is fit or unfit to fulfil his duties. Such decision may come with reservation.

45.3.2 During a CEV competition

A) Health control

- §1 During a CEV competition, as early as possible after the arrival of each Referee at the Competition venue and in case of a CEV Medical Delegate appointed, such referee shall undertake a medical examination done by the local doctor, under the supervision of CEV Medical Delegate.
- §2 The CEV Medical Delegate is provided with the medical examination of the other Match Officials.
- §3 Based on such medical examination, the CEV Medical Delegate shall communicate to the relevant CEV Official his recommendations regarding the suitability of each Match Official.
- §4 Based on such recommendations, such CEV Official may decide to withdraw the appointment of a Match Official.

B) Breath analysis

- §1 Before a match and in case of a CEV Medical Delegate or CEV Referee Coach appointed, a Match Official, upon request by such CEV Official, may undertake a breath analysis in the presence of such CEV Official.
- §2 The breath analysis verifies the absence of intoxication.
- §3 In case the second test is also positive, the CEV Referee Coach shall change such Match Official.
- §4 This Match Official may contest the results and request the conduction of a blood test.
- §5 The machine to perform the breath test must be available at all CEV Competitions halls.

- §6 When there is a Referee Coach appointed, the decision to undertake a breath analysis is made jointly by the Referee Coach and the CEV Supervisor. In all cases, the ultimate decision lies with the CEV Supervisor.

46. CERTIFICATES AND FORMS

46.1 Team Officials and Extra-Team Officials

- §1 Each Team Official and Extra-Team Official shall undertake the FIVB Anti-Doping education programme, available online: <http://playclean.fivb.com>.
- §2 After the successful completion of such programme, a certificate is issued. For each CEV competition, such certificate is presented during the Preliminary inquiry.

46.2 Players

46.2.1 Anti-doping education certificate

- §1 Each Player shall undertake the FIVB Anti-Doping education programme mentioned in article 46.1 §1.
- §2 After the successful completion of such programme, a certificate is issued.

46.2.2 Health certificate

- §1 The medical doctor, who performs the medical examination, shall complete the CEV health certificate - CEV M-3 form - and sign it.
- §2 Such certificate is valid when the following additional requirements are fulfilled:
- a. The Player and the medical doctor signed it,
 - b. It is issued no earlier than two months before the first match of the Player in a CEV competition,
 - c. Its issue date is written on it.
- §3 Such certificate becomes null and void after one year from its date of issue.
- §4 In case of an injury or illness which prevents the participation in a CEV competition, the Player shall present another CEV health certificate.

46.3 CEV Officials

- §1 The medical doctor, who performs the medical examination, shall complete the CEV health certificate - CEV M-7 form - and sign it.
- §2 Each individual subject to the medical examination shall provide the CEV with such certificate before the end of the month of December. Such certificate becomes null and void one calendar year after its issue.
- §3 For the EMC Members/Medical Delegates, the M7-form can be replaced by a "self-declaration of capability", meaning the M7-form can be signed by themselves.

46.4 Match Officials

46.4.1 Before a CEV competition

- §1 The medical doctor, who performs the medical examination, shall complete the FIVB health certificate - FIVB M-4 form - and sign it.
- §2 Each individual subject to the medical examination shall provide the FIVB with such certificate before the end of the month of October. Such certificate becomes null and void one year after its issue.

46.4.2 During a CEV competition

- §1 The CEV Medical Delegate and the Local medical doctor, who performs the medical examination and breath analysis, shall complete the CEV M-6 form and CEV M-2 form and sign it.

- §2 The CEV Medical Delegate shall provide such CEV forms to the CEV immediately after the end of his appointment.

47. MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS

47.1 Previous information

- §1 The Organiser shall provide the following information to the CEV - medical@cev.eu - before the deadline set in the Official Communications:
- a. For doping control:
 - i. Copy of the relevant agreements,
 - ii. Contact details of the individuals in charge at the NADO and laboratory,
 - iii. Transport details of the samples,
 - iv. Time schedule to receive the results of the sample analysis,
 - b. Confirmation of the compliance with the requirements mentioned in articles 47.2 and 47.3,
 - c. Contact details of the Local medical doctor(s),
 - d. Hospital designation in case of a possible admission,

47.2 Workforce

47.2.1 Medical

- §1 Refer to article 71.

47.2.2 Doping control

- §1 Individuals conducting the Testing shall fulfil the requirements of the International Standard for Testing. The following individuals are appointed:
- a. One to two Doping Control Officers,
 - b. Two to four Chaperones.

47.3 Facilities

47.3.1 General provisions

- §1 The Organiser must ensure that an ambulance is available at the entrance of the Competition hall within 10 minutes. Such ambulance is equipped with resuscitation equipment and specialised medical staff.

47.3.2 Doping Control Station

- §1 Testing shall be conducted in substantial conformity with the International Standard for Testing.
- §2 A Doping Control Station is set according to the following minimum requirements:
- a. The Player's privacy is ensured for the duration of the Sample collection session,
 - b. The Doping Control Station should be used only as a Doping Control Station for such duration.

47.3.3 First aid room

- §1 A First aid room is available for Players, CEV Officials, Match Officials, Team Officials and spectators.
- §2 In a First aid room, one medical doctor or medical staff shall be present according to the following schedule:
- a. In the Competition hall, from one hour before the start of a match to one hour after the end of such match,
 - b. In the Training hall, from thirty minutes before the start of a training session to thirty minutes after the end of such session.

48. NUTRITION FOR PLAYERS DURING A CEV COMPETITION

§1 During a CEV competition, nutrition for Players is according to the FIVB Medical & Anti-Doping Regulations.

49. AUTHORISATION FOR MEDICAL DOCTOR AND THERAPIST

49.1 Definition

- §1 The authorisation concerns the Medical doctor and/or Therapist registered as a Team delegation member.
- §2 The authorisation grants the right to access the Competition area during a match.
- §3 CEV and FIVB authorisation are accepted in a CEV competition.
- §4 The CEV European Medical Commission may issue authorisation for individuals not participating in FIVB competitions.
- §5 A CEV authorisation is valid from the date of its issue until the end of the year of the current Olympic cycle.

49.2 Application

- §1 The application is sent no later than 1 month before the relevant match via electronic mean, to the CEV - medicalauthorisation@cev.lu.
- §2 The application is composed of the following documents:
 - a. A relevant diploma of University grade or Therapist education,
 - b. An Official English translated copy of such diploma or education, if required,
 - c. A copy of a passport or national identity card,
 - d. A letter of support from the relevant National Federation,
 - e. A recent passport format picture,
 - f. A copy of the FIVB Anti-Doping education programme certificate.
- §3 The e-mail address of the applicant shall be mentioned in the application request.

50. FIVB INJURY SURVEILLANCE PROGRAMME

§1 In case of an injury of a Player, the CEV Medical Delegate shall send the FIVB M-10 Form to the FIVB Medical Department with a digital copy to the CEV - medical@cev.eu - according to the following table:

CEV competition	Sending of the M-10 form
CEV EuroVolley	
Final phase	Yes
Other phases	-
CEV Volleyball European League	
Final phase	Yes
Other phases	-
Other CEV competitions	
All phases	-

51. CEV MEDICAL INSURANCE

51.1 Scope of the cover

§1 The IMSSA cover concerns the CEV competitions included in the CEV calendar during one calendar year, from 1st January to 31st December. The cover begins on the arrival day of the insured individual in the Competition venue and ends on the return day of the insured individual to his permanent domicile. The duration of the coverage is limited to 30 days per journey.

§2 Insured individuals are the Team delegation members. The cover is subsidiary to any other existing insurance of the insured individuals. The cover is confined to the part of the justified expenses which is not covered by such other insurance.

51.2 Summary of the cover

§1 The CEV medical insurance policy number is 011500A.

§2 The following elements are covered if no other insurance bear these costs:

- a. The actual costs for assistance and repatriation,
- b. The medical expenses - amount invoiced to the insured individual for the treatment and medically necessary care - up to the amount of one hundred thousand Euros per insured individual and per event.

52. PREVENTION ON THE MANIPULATION OF SPORTS COMPETITIONS

52.1 Players

§1 Each Player shall compulsorily undertake the FIVB Competition Manipulation Course, using their VIS credential. The players who do not have that credential should need previously to register them on VIS requesting access from FIVB.

§2 After the successful completion of such programme, a certificate will be issued, and such certificate should be presented during the Preliminary Inquiry when required.

§3 The validity of the certificate is stated on the document.

52.2 Team Officials and Extra-Team Officials

§1 Each Team Official and Extra-Team Official shall compulsorily undertake the FIVB Competition Manipulation Course.

§2 After the successful completion of such programme, a certificate will be issued, and such certificate should be presented during the Preliminary Inquiry when required.

§3 The validity of the certificate is stated on the document.

52.3 CEV Officials and other parties

§1 Referees, Supervisors or other parties who carry out their job in the course of any Competition shall compulsorily undertake the FIVB Competition Manipulation Course.

§2 After the successful completion of such programme, each individual shall provide the CEV with the issued certificate before the end of the month of December.

§3 The validity of the certificate is stated on the document.

Section 5: Organiser

Chapter 7: General provisions

53. APPOINTMENT OF THE ORGANISER

Refer to article 16.1.

54. CEV VOLLEYBALL COMPETITIONS REGULATIONS

§1 Unless otherwise specified, the Organiser is the entity responsible for fulfilling the requirements of these regulations. The Organiser shall do or be what is required, necessary or expected in order to comply with these regulations; according to the quality standards expected for a top-level international sport competition.

55. STAY PERIOD

§1 The Stay period of a Team delegation, CEV Official or referee is according to the following table:

CEV competition	Arrival date		Departure date	
	Final phase	Other phases	Final phase	Other phases
CEV EuroVolley and CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championships				
CEV Supervisor or Jury or SRC President	3 days before the phase	2 days before the tournament before 18:00 or the day before their match, before 15:00	The day after the end of their appointment	The day after the match
Other CEV Officials and Referees	2 days before the phase	The day before their match, before 22:00		
Team delegations		1 day before the tournament before 15:00 or the day before their match, before 15:00	The day after their last match. If qualified to Semi-finals, after the phase	
CEV Volleyball European League				
CEV Supervisor	2 days before the tournament before 18:00 or the day before their match, before 15:00		The day after the end of their appointment	The day after the match
Other CEV Officials and Referees	The day before the match, before 22:00		The day after the match	
Team delegations	The day before their match, before 18:00			
CEV Champions League Volley				
CEV Supervisor	3 days before the phase	The day before the match, before 15:00	The day after the match	
CEV Referee Coach	2 days before the phase			

Other CEV Officials and Referees	The day before the phase, before 22:00	The day before the match, before 22:00		
Team delegations	The day before the match, before 20:00		The day after their last match. If qualified to Semi-finals, after the phase	The day after the match
CEV Volleyball Cup and CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup				
CEV Supervisor	Home match: the day before it Away match: 2 days before it	The day before the match, before 15:00	The day after the match	
Other CEV Officials and Referees	The day before the match, before 22:00	The day before the match, before 22:00		
Team delegations	The day before the match, before 20:00			

- §2 The arrival hour means the individual is present in the Competition venue before such hour.
- §3 The Stay period of a CEV Official also includes the period during which this CEV Official participates to an event related to a CEV competition such as site visits, drawing of lots and other meetings.
- §4 When the Stay period mentioned in §1 cannot be complied with, such period is increased by the adequate number of days allowing a CEV Official to fulfil his/her duties.
- §5 The arrival date of the Reserve referee is the day of the match, no later than 2 hours before such match. His departure date is the day of the match, after the end of such match.

56. INTERNAL STRUCTURE

- §1 An Organising Committee is set-up. A Local Organising Committee per Competition hall is set-up when necessary.
- §2 When a Jury is appointed, one Jury member is included in the composition of the Organising Committee. This Jury member is invited to all important meetings and provide the CEV with the minutes of all its meetings.

57. INSURANCE

- §1 An insurance with a well-recognised insurance company covering the risks of a top-level international sport competition such as public liability and event cancellation is subscribed.
- §2 Upon request of the CEV, the relevant documentation and agreement is provided to the CEV.

58. DURATION

- §1 For the Final phase of a National Team competition, there is a 3-day interval between the Men's and Women's phases. Such interval does not apply if the Organiser submitted in its application for organisation a request - approved by the CEV - to cancel this interval.
- §2 For each level of a National Team competition, the last competition day is either on a Saturday or Sunday.

Chapter 8: Facilities

59. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- §1 When the CEV provides or instructs to use some specific equipment, this equipment is set-up and used.
- §2 All facilities required by these regulations are exclusively available for the hosting and staging of a level of a CEV competition from the day before the first Official training session in the Competition hall to the day after such level; according to these regulations and in particular the Competition calendar, Match calendar and Daily match schedule.

60. COMPETITION HALL

60.1 Approval of a Competition hall

- §1 A Competition hall approved by the CEV is used. The CEV approves a Competition hall when this hall fulfils the required category for a CEV competition. The CEV grants either a full, exceptional or temporary approval.
- §2 A site visit may be set. The Competition hall may be approved by the CEV only if the relevant CEV Official who carried out such site visit takes a favourable view.
- §3 Pictures and an architectural plan of the Competition hall are provided to the CEV – nationalteams@cev.eu – in case such hall is not yet approved by the CEV.

60.2 Designation of a Competition hall

60.2.1 Initial designation

- §1 Designation of the Competition hall to be used is done according to the following:
 - a. For a Club competition, at the registration to such competition,
 - b. For a National Team competition, at the appointment of the Organiser.
- §2 A Competition hall is designated according to the following:
 - a. For a match not in a tournament, via the relevant CEV form,
 - b. For a tournament, via any means.

60.2.2 Final designation

- §1 A designated Competition hall may be replaced by another Competition hall according to the following:
 - a. For a match not in a tournament, before the deadline set for the relevant CEV form,
 - b. For a tournament, before the day the CEV announces the places where are played the matches of such tournament.
- §2 The Organiser may request to exceptionally replace the designated Competition hall according to the following:
 - a. For a match not in a tournament, via the relevant CEV form,
 - b. For a tournament, via any means.

60.2.3 Designation in a tournament subject to a bid procedure

- §1 Notwithstanding article 60.2.1, a Competition hall, to be used in a tournament where the Organiser is appointed via a bid procedure, is designated during such procedure.
- §2 The Competition hall is designated in its application form sent to the CEV. Replacement of such Competition hall should not be authorised by the CEV.

60.3 Number of Competition halls

- §1 A maximum of 3 matches per day is organised in a Competition hall.

§2 An additional Competition hall is selected when the maximum number of matches per day is reached in the previous Competition hall.

60.4 Categories of Competition halls

§1 A Competition hall is classified according to the following table:

Competition hall category	Minimum height	Minimum surface of the Competition area	Minimum lighting	Minimum seating capacity
1	12.5 meters	35 x 24.5 meters	1,500 lux	5,000
2	9 meters	35 x 23 meters	1,500 lux	2,500
3	9 meters	35 x 23 meters	1,500 lux	1,500
4	8 meters	33 x 21 meters	1,000 lux	1,000
T	7 meters	31 x 19 meters	500 lux	-

§2 The height is measured from the surface of the Playing area to either the lowest point of the roof or to any obstacle above the Playing area.

§3 In duly justified cases, the CEV may grant an exceptional approval to a Club to participate in a European Cup competition, notwithstanding non-compliance with certain organisational or infrastructural requirements, provided that the integrity and safety of the competition are not jeopardised. Exceptional approval may be considered, inter alia, in the following circumstances:

- a. the Club is a new participant in a European Cup competition; the Club's regular competition hall is temporarily unavailable due to renovation, reconstruction, or upgrading works, or where the Club has formally committed to meeting the applicable requirements by the following season;
- b. geographical constraints, in particular where the Club is located on an island and logistical limitations objectively affect compliance.

§4 Any exceptional approval granted by the CEV may be subject to one or more of the following conditions:

- a. a defined validity period, limited in time;
- b. a formal commitment by the Club to upgrade or adapt the facility within a specified deadline;
- c. submission of evidence demonstrating ongoing improvements, construction works, or approved development plans;
- d. Notwithstanding the above, CEV reserves the right to grant approval at its sole discretion.

60.5 Sports requirements of a Competition hall

60.5.1 Requirements for all Competition halls

A) The requirements under article 60.5 are mandatory for all Competition halls. The Competition area is set according to the relevant court layout.

B) Official Volleyball Rules

§1 Requirements of a Competition hall mentioned in the Official Volleyball Rules are set according to such rules, unless specified otherwise in article 60.5.

§2 The Free zone measures 5 metres from the side lines and 6.5 metres from the end lines.

§3 The playing surface is a wooden or synthetic surface with white coloured lines. The Playing court and the Free zone should be coloured differently from each other but not in white. The playing court may be of different colours differentiating the front zone and the back zone.

§4 The attack line is extended by the addition of a broken line from each side lines, composed of 5 short lines with a 15 centimetres length and 5 centimetres width; drawn 20 centimetres from each other to a total length of 175 centimetres.

§5 The warm-up areas, sized approximately 3 x 3 m, are located in both of the bench-side corners, outside the free zone, where they will not obstruct the view of spectators, or alternatively behind the team bench where the tribune starts above 2.5 m from the court surface.

§6 The posts supporting the net are placed at a distance of 1 metre outside the side lines.

§7 A 5 balls system is used.

C) Playing area

§1 A sports floor is either a wooden or synthetic one and covered with non-slip paint or absorbent material.

§2 A sports floor is either installed on beams or concrete with the following minimum thickness:

- a. 9 millimetres if installed on concrete,
- b. 7 millimetres if installed on beams.

D) Lighting

§1 The lighting equipment is positioned according to the following requirements:

- a. The lighting intensity is identical across the Playing area,
- b. The lighting does not dazzle the Players,
- c. There is no shadow on the Playing court,

§2 The lighting intensity on the stands is half of the Playing area's one.

E) Temperature

§1 The temperature is from 16 to 25 degree Celsius.

§2 Air conditioning may be required.

F) Flags,

§1 The CEV flag and the flags of the countries of the Participants are displayed together inside the Competition hall. For National Team competitions, such flags are also displayed outside the Competition hall.

§2 Other flags may be displayed in the Competition venue but not with the CEV flag and the countries flags.

60.5.2 Specific requirements of a Competition hall

§1 Specific requirements of a Competition hall are as follows:

CEV competition	Category	Playing surface			Sub floor
		Synthetic surface	Volleyball lines only	Playing court and Free zone in different colours	Wooden floor on beams
CEV EuroVolley					
Final phase	1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
CEV U22, U20, U18 Volleyball European Championship					
Final phase	2	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Other Rounds	3	Optional	Optional	Optional	Yes
CEV U16 Volleyball European Championship					
Final phase	3	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Other Rounds	3	Optional	Optional	Optional	Yes
CEV Volleyball European League					
Final phase	2	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Other phases	2	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
CEV Champions League Volley					
Final Four	1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

From 4 th Round	2	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Other phases	3	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
CEV Volleyball Cup					
Final Phase	2	Yes	Yes	Yes	Optional
Other matches	3	Optional	Optional	Yes	Optional
CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup					
Final Phase	3	Yes	Yes	Yes	Optional
Other matches	4	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional

- §2 Sports floor, net, posts and balls homologated by the FIVB are used for the following CEV competitions:
- a. CEV EuroVolley,
 - b. CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championships.

60.6 Other requirements of a Competition hall

- §1 The requirements under this article are mandatory for all Competition halls.

60.6.2 TV & SNG Compound

- §1 The Venue shall have adequate space which will comprise between two (2) and ten (10) parking spaces immediately adjacent to the venue itself for TV transmission vans, TV/Radio production vans and other technical vehicles. Required spacing will be communicated to the Organiser by the CEV and the CEV Sport Media Agency following technical site inspections and/or technical briefing
- §2 The Venue shall have adequate space in the direct environment surrounding the venue for vans up-linking the TV signals at the nearest point possible to the TV-compound.

60.6.3 Power Supply & Electricity

- §1 A power connection with an adequate number of power sockets is set into the Competition hall for all tables mentioned in 60.6.6 and the Team benches.
- §2 In order to ensure a professional broadcast and provided that it is not provisioned already by the host broadcaster, the Organiser shall provide free-of-charge the infrastructure for sufficient and uninterrupted supply of electricity including a Twin-Pack Power Generator 100 + 100 KW fully redundant power plant (i.e. two power generators always working at the same time with one functioning as emergency back up to the first one) both positioned in the TV compound area adjacent to the venue.
- §3 The power generator arrival is scheduled one day before the first live produced match and remains until the end. Exact timings will be agreed with the on-site Producer (approx. ten (10) hours per day during live production days). CEV and/or CEV Sport Media Agency to confirm actual needs at least two (2) months prior to the start of each of the relevant match of the CEV Competition.

60.6.4 Internet connection,

- §1 The Organiser shall provide free-of charge a sufficient internet connectivity via LAN cable and/or high-speed WIFI in the Venue. Further specifications on the internet bandwidth/upload-download speed requirements will be provided to the Organiser by the CEV via additional guidelines or Official Communications.

60.6.5 Mixed zone

- §1 A Mixed zone is set in a corner of the Competition area, outside the Playing area, as close as possible to the team's restricted area and the press working area if applicable, with a minimum dimension of 20 metres square.
- §2 The Mixed zone is equipped with the CEV backdrop.

- §3 Suitable lighting for video interviews is required as well as adequate space for the attending media.
- §4 Suitable security and stewarding are to be provided to ensure an easy interaction with players and coaches. The mixed zone shall also be divided into three (3) sections: TV/Radio primary right holder, TV/Radio secondary right holder, Print Media.
- §5 For designated "CEV Top events" the mixed zone position and size is to be agreed with CEV.

60.6.6 Tables

- §1 A table is set in the Competition/Control area. A passage is set between the tables and the borders of the Playing area to allow the passage of an individual.
- §2 The following tables, when required, are set:
 - a. One CEV Official table,
 - b. One CEV Referee Coach table
 - c. One Organiser table,
 - d. One CEV statistics table,
 - e. Four Team statistics table,
 - f. One Medical table,
 - g. One Challenge System table.
- §3 The adequate number of media tables is set according to the number of accredited media. A media table may be also set in the stands of the Competition hall according to the facilities of the Competition venue. Each position must have a clear view on the court with power and internet connection.
- §4 On request of the CEV Sport Media Agency, a position and table next to the court and close the jury table, or in any case with full visibility to the court and easy access to the jury table. This position shall also be equipped with WLAN broadband internet connection, one (1) TV set with access to the TV signal.

60.6.7 Advertising materials

- §1 The relevant materials approved by the CEV is provided and used.
- §2 In order to use a dynamic advertisement system - LED system, an application is submitted to the CEV, for approval, by providing the relevant CEV form by any means before the deadline set in the Official Communications.

60.6.8 Commentator Positions

- §1 The Organiser must provide free-of-charge to the CEV and the CEV Sport Media Agency a number of commentary positions (CP) in relation to the CEV Competition as defined in the below table. Such commentary positions are to be located on the same side of the main camera, as close as and with a clear view to the playing area.

CEV Event	Average Minimum number of CP per CEV Competition	Average Maximum number of CP Per CEV Competition	Fully equipped commentary position for the CEV Digital Platforms
CEV EuroVolley Pool Phase	3	7	N/A
CEV EuroVolley 1/8 Finals	2	4	N/A
CEV EuroVolley 1/4 Finals	2	4	N/A
CEV EuroVolley Semi Finals & Finals	6	15	N/A
CEV Champions League Volley - Rounds 1 to 3	0	2	1
CEV Champions League Volley - Round 4	0	2	1
CEV Champions League Volley - Playoff, 1/4 Finals	0	2	1
CEV Champions League Volley Final Four	3	8	1
CEV Volleyball Cup - Final Phase	0	2	1
CEV Challenge Cup - Final Phase (Finals)	0	2	1

CEV Volleyball European League – Final Round	0	4	1
CEV Volleyball Olympic Qualification	1	6	1

- §2 Each commentator position must be equipped free-of-charge with two (2) or three (3) seats and one (1) table, electricity (at least 5 sockets), internet connection (LAN cable) and telephone lines. For the avoidance of doubt, the Organiser is only responsible to provide the technical assistance in relation to telephone lines and paid for by visiting broadcasters.
- §3 Should the construction of commentary positions require more seats or the building of a platform due to the venue specifications, the Organiser is responsible for such additional cost. The CEV and CEV Sport Media Agency will communicate to the Organiser the preliminary needs during initial site inspections or within technical briefing provided and the final number of required positions at least one (1) month prior to the start of the relevant CEV Competition.
- §4 Final positions of such commentator positions must always be approved the CEV and the CEV Sport Media Agency.
- §5 Upon request of the CEV for its digital platforms, one (1) commentary positions must be fully equipped by the Organiser free of charge with minimum one (1) commentary unit (Incl. ISDN Codec), one (1) TV monitor (with access to the TV signal), two (2) headsets including microphones.

60.6.9 CEV Sport Media Agency Office

- §1 Upon request of the CEV Sport Media Agency, the Organiser shall provide free-of-charge one (1) fully furnished and equipped office with WLAN, broadband internet connection, printer, two (2) TV sets with access to the TV signal.

61. TRAINING HALL

- §1 When required, a Training hall which complies with the minimum requirements of category T is used.
- §2 The playing surface is a wooden or synthetic surface. Volleyball lines are clearly visible.
- §3 The posts supporting the net are placed at a distance of one metre outside the side lines.
- §4 The Playing area is set according to the Official Volleyball Rules.
- §5 Sports floor, net, posts and balls homologated by the FIVB are used for the following CEV competitions:
- a. CEV EuroVolley,
 - b. CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championships.

62. OTHER FACILITIES

62.1 General provisions

- §1 For each match, the following rooms are set:
- a. Organiser room,
 - b. Changing room,
 - c. Medical room,
 - d. First aid room,
 - e. Accreditation area,

§2 For a match and upon request of the CEV, a Doping Control Station is set.

§3 For a match, rooms are set according to the following table:

CEV competition	Media working room	Media meeting room	i-Zone (team hotel)	VIP room
CEV EuroVolley				
Final phase	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Other phases	Yes	Optional	Optional	Optional
CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championships				
Final phase	Yes	Yes	Optional	Yes
Other phases	Yes	Optional	Optional	Optional
CEV Volleyball European League				
Final phase	Yes	Optional	Yes	Yes
Other phases	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional
CEV Champions League Volley				
Final phase	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Other phases	Yes	Optional	Optional	Optional
CEV Volleyball Cup				
Final phase	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Other phases	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional
CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup				
Final phase	Yes	Yes	Optional	Yes
Other phases	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional

§4 A power connection with an adequate number of power sockets is set in each room.

§5 An internet connection is set in the following rooms:

- a. Organiser room,
- b. Medical room,
- c. Accreditation area,
- d. Doping Control Station
- e. Media working room,
- f. Media conference room,
- g. VIP room.

§6 The rooms are set-up in order to ensure the following:

- a. The users are able to easily fulfil their duties,
- b. The rooms are set-up according to professional and high-level standards.

62.2 Changing room

§1 There is one Changing room for each of the following group of individuals:

- a. The first Team delegation,
- b. The second Team delegation,
- c. The referees,
- d. The National technical Officials.

§2 In case of individuals from different gender in a group, an additional Changing room is provided for the other gender.

62.3 First aid room

§1 There is one first aid room for each of the following place:

- a. The Competition hall,
- b. The Training hall if different from the Competition hall.

62.4 Accreditation area

§1 There is one accreditation area at the Competition venue and possibly at the hotels.

62.5 Media working room

§1 The Media working room is accessible at least from 2 hours before the start of a match to 2 hours after completion of the match.

62.6 Media meeting room

§1 The Media meeting room is required 1 day before the event. It shall be arranged with one station for each participating team around the edge of a suitably sized room at the team's hotel. Each station to have chairs for the Coaches and Captains and the interviewing media.

62.7 I-Zone

§1 The i-Zone is set up in the team hotel, for media to conduct interviews with team delegation members. Does not necessarily have to be a room but also can be a corner of the lobby or equivalent.

Chapter 9: Workforce

63. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- §1 The workforce mentioned in this Chapter and an adequate number of individuals are nominated and/or appointed. The workforce is skilled and trained enough to exercise and fulfil its assigned duties.
- §2 The relevant CEV form is provided and the information in the CEV database is filled in.

64. CLOTHING

- §1 Individuals with the same role are dressed identically. Individuals with duties to be fulfilled in the Competition/Control area are dressed in a uniform and in a professional manner.
- §2 The individuals of the following groups are dressed identically among these groups:
 - a. Courtside assistants,
 - b. Line judges and Scorer.

65. ORGANISING COMMITTEE

- §1 An Organising director is the main point of contact for the CEV.
- §2 An Organising director has the following profile:
 - a. Able to communicate in English with people from different countries.
- §3 An individual is eligible for an appointment as Organising director when the following requirement is fulfilled:
 - a. Such individual successfully passed the E-Learning educational programme.
- §4 An Organising director fulfils the duties mentioned in the relevant CEV guidelines.

66. GUIDE

- §1 A Guide has the following profile:
 - a. The person is able to communicate in English with people from different countries,
 - b. The person should speak the language of the Team delegation such person is appointed to.
- §2 A Guide is appointed to each Team delegation for its Stay period in the Host country.
- §3 A Guide accompanies the Team delegation during its transportation, training session, match and meals.

67. REFEREE MANAGER

- §1 A Referee manager has the following profile:
 - a. Able to communicate in English with people from different countries,
 - b. Has a profound knowledge of refereeing matters.
- §2 The Organiser, after approval of the National Federation, shall appoint 1 Referee manager. In case the Organiser uses more than one Competition venue, such Organiser shall appoint a Referee coordinator to each additional Competition venue, who is under the authority of the Referee manager.
- §3 A Referee manager fulfils the following duties:
 - a. To liaise between the Organiser and the CEV Referee Coach or Special Refereeing Commission,
 - b. To provide assistance to the Special Referee Commission, CEV Referee Coach and the referees,
 - c. To coordinate all refereeing logistical requirements,
 - d. Those mentioned in the CEV Guidelines.

68. ASSISTANT OF A CEV OFFICIAL

- §1 An Assistant of a CEV Official has the following profile:
- a. The person is an Organiser representative,
 - b. The person is able to communicate in English with people from different countries,
 - c. The person has no other duties assigned by the Organiser.
- §2 An Assistant for the CEV Supervisor or Jury in National Team competitions only is appointed.
- §3 An Assistant fulfils the duties of the relevant CEV Official when required. An Assistant may only replace the relevant CEV Official for a maximum of one match per day.

69. ORGANISER REPRESENTATIVE

- §1 An Organiser representative has the following profile:
- a. Able to communicate in English with people from different countries,
 - b. Has no other duties assigned by the Organiser.

70. MATCH ANNOUNCER

- §1 A Match announcer is able to communicate in English and in the native language of the Organiser with people from different countries.

71. LOCAL MEDICAL DOCTOR

- §1 A Local medical doctor is the individual responsible for all medical related topics of the Organiser.
- §2 A Local medical doctor is under the authority of the CEV Jury or the CEV Medical Delegate, when assigned.
- §3 The Organiser shall appoint at least one Local medical doctor.
- §4 The duties of a Local medical doctor are:
- a. To coordinate all medical related items, when requested,
 - b. To conduct the medical examination of referees during a CEV competition,
 - c. To provide assistance to the Medical Delegate, when assigned.

72. MEDIA

72.1 Local Media officer

- §1 A Local Media officer is the individual responsible for all media related topics of the Organiser.
- §2 A Local Media officer has the following profile:
- a. A Volleyball expert and skilled with social and digital media,
 - b. Able to communicate in English with people from different countries,
 - c. A professional journalist or media/public consultant.
- §3 The duties of a Local Media officer are:
- a. To collaborate with the CEV Media officer / CEV Communication Department,
 - b. To obtain information from the Statistician,
 - c. To create and distribute information to the CEV and the media,
 - d. To ensure an adequate coverage of the CEV competition,
 - e. To provide the CEV with the required information,
 - f. To supervise the set-up of all media facilities at the Competition venue,
 - g. To develop a professional, national, regional and local media campaign,
 - h. To provide the media attending and not attending the match with information,
 - i. To issue accreditation for the media attending the match such individual is appointed to,
 - j. To supervise the operations in the Mixed zone and fulfil the requirements related to them,
 - k. Those mentioned in the relevant CEV guidelines.

72.2 Local photographer

- §1 A Local photographer has the following profile:
 - a. A professional photographer.
- §2 A Local Photographer provides the CEV with high quality pictures as per the guidelines received by the CEV.

72.3 Master of ceremony

- §1 A Master of ceremony has the following profile:
 - a. Able to communicate in English with people from different countries.
- §2 A Master of ceremony fulfils the duties of the Local Media officer during the Media conferences.

72.4 Interpreter

- §1 An interpreter has the following profile:
 - a. Able to communicate in English with people from different countries.
- §2 An Interpreter supports the individuals present at the Media meeting.

72.5 Local videographer

- §1 A Local videographer has the following profile:
 - a. Able to communicate in English with people from different countries,
 - b. Able to film and edit long as well as short form video content as per the guidelines received by the CEV.

72.6 Appointment

§1 The Media workforce is appointed according to the following table:

CEV competition	Appointment of a Local Media officer	Appointment of a Local photographer	Appointment of a Master of ceremony	Appointment of an Interpreter	Appointment of a Local videographer
CEV EuroVolley					
Final phase	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Other phases	Yes	Yes	-	Optional	Optional
CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championships					
Final phase	Yes	Yes	Optional	Optional	Optional
Other phases	Yes	Yes	-	Optional	Optional
CEV Volleyball European League					
Final phase	Yes	Yes	-	Optional	Optional
Other phases	Yes	Yes	-	Optional	Optional
CEV Champions League Volley					
Final phase	Yes	Yes	-	Yes	Yes
Other phases	Yes	Yes	-	Optional	Optional
CEV Volleyball Cup					
From 1/4 finals to final	Yes	Yes	-	Optional	Optional
Before 1/4 finals	Optional	Yes	-	Optional	Optional
CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup					
From 1/4 finals to final	Yes	Yes	-	Optional	Optional
Before 1/4 finals	Optional	Yes	-	Optional	Optional

- §2 When more than one Competition venue is used, a Local assistant Media officer and Local photographer are appointed to each additional Competition venue. The Local assistant Media officer fulfils the duties of the Local Media officer under the authority of the latter.

Chapter 10: Transportation

73. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- §1 Transportation of a Team delegation, CEV Official and referee is composed of the following:
- Transportation from an individual permanent residence to the departure and arrival venue,
 - Return ticket to the arrival and departure venue,
 - Local transportation between the arrival and departure venue, the Competition venue, the Training hall and the hotels.
- §2 Transportation to a Team delegation, CEV Official and referee is arranged according to the following table and article 55:

CEV competition	Transportation arrangement		
	Art. 73. §1 a	Art. 73. §1 b	Art. 73. §1 c
All CEV competitions			
Team delegation	-	-	Yes
CEV Official	-	Yes	Yes
Referee	-	Yes	Yes

- §3 Transportation of CEV Commercial Partners is composed of the following:
- Local transportation between the arrival and departure venue, the Competition venue, the Training hall and the hotels.
- §4 Transportation of CEV Commercial Partners is arranged to the following table:

CEV competition	CEV Commercial Partners Transportation arrangement
CEV Volleyball European Championship	
All phases	Yes
CEV Volleyball European League	
Final phase	Yes
CEV Volleyball Champions League	
Final phase	Yes
CEV Volleyball Cup	
Final phase	Yes
CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup	
Final phase	Yes

74. ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE VENUE

74.1 General provisions

- §1 An arrival and departure venue which fulfils the following requirements is used:
- The venue is either an international airport, a train station or a bus station,
 - The venue hosts regular transport companies,
 - The venue is the closest venue to the Host city,
 - The distance between the venue and the Competition venue is 200 kilometres maximum and 3 hours transportation maximum by bus,
 - Transportation proposed at the venue allows a Team delegation, CEV Official and referee to arrive and depart according to their Stay periods.
- §2 In case requirement d above is not fulfilled, the arrival and departure venue may still be selected; provided that the journey to the Host city is covered by plane.
- §3 The Organiser may use a second arrival and departure venue.

- §4 The selected arrival and departure venue is mentioned when applying for the CEV approval of a Competition hall. It is confirmed via the relevant CEV form.

74.2 CEV Official and referee

- §1 A CEV Official or a referee shall indicate to the Organiser its departure and arrival venue. In case of more than one venue indicated, the Organiser is free to choose the most appropriate venue. In case only one venue is indicated, and no transportation option is available from that venue, the Organiser is free to choose the closest venue with available transportation options.
- §2 Before the booking, contact and coordination with the CEV Official or referee concerning the proposed travel plan is done.
- §3 A CEV Official or a referee receives the travel tickets and relevant information no later than two weeks before the departure date.
- §4 A CEV Official or referee may travel by car, train or plane. To travel by car the distance from the permanent address to the Competition venue should be less than 400km one way, and a special permission needs to be received by the CEV Office. The costs related to such transportation are set before the journey (0.40€/km) and shall not exceed the cheapest fare rate for a journey by train or plane.
- §5 An airline company which fulfils the following requirements is used:
- The company proposes at least two classes of seating,
 - The company proposes connecting flights,
 - The company, in case of delay or cancelation, is able to immediately propose and reserve a new flight,
 - The company proposes a global price without additional charges for a usual luggage
- §6 To travel by train the overall costs from the permanent address to the Competition venue and the return journey shall not exceed the cheapest fare rate for a journey by plane.
- §7 A train company which fulfils the following requirements is used:
- The company proposes at least two classes of seating,
 - The company proposes connecting trains,
 - The company, in case of delay or cancelation, is able to immediately propose and reserve a new train,
 - The company proposes a global price without additional charges for a usual luggage.

75. LOCAL TRANSPORTATION

- §1 Local transportation is arranged as follows:
- For a Team delegation: by bus,
 - For a CEV Official: by car,
 - For a referee: by car or mini-bus.
 - For a CEV Commercial Partner: by car or mini-bus
- §2 Local transportation for a training session or match is arranged as follows:
- The Team delegation arrives 15 minutes at the Training hall before the start of the training session,
 - The Team delegation arrives 75 minutes at the Competition venue before the start of the match.
- §3 Local transportation of Team delegations takes place in separate busses but with the same standards of transportation.

76. VISA

- §1 In some Host countries, the entrance of a Team delegation in the territory of such countries requires the authorisation of national authorities.

- §2 Individuals in the application process are supported.
- §3 All Team delegations' members, CEV Officials and referees receive in due time the invitation letter.
- §4 All Team delegations' members, CEV Officials and referees receive a visa and participate to a CEV competition without any hindrance.
- §5 Rules and procedures of the relevant national authorities are followed.

Chapter 11: Accommodation

77. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- §1 Accommodation of a Team delegation, CEV Commercial Partners, CEV Official and referee is composed of the following:
- Rent of hotel rooms,
 - 3 daily meals at the relevant hotel,
 - Internet connection,
 - Laundry of the Uniform in case of a tournament.
- §2 The accommodation of a Team delegation, CEV Official and referee is arranged according to the following table and article 55:

CEV competition	Accommodation arrangement		
	Team delegation	CEV Official	Referee
CEV EuroVolley			
All phases	Yes	Yes	Yes
CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championships			
All phases	Yes	Yes	Yes
CEV Volleyball European League			
Final phase	Yes	Yes	Yes
Other phases	Recommendation	Yes	Yes
CEV Champions League Volley			
Final phase	Yes	Yes	Yes
Other phases	Recommendation	Yes	Yes
CEV Volleyball Cup			
All phases	Recommendation	Yes	Yes
CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup			
All phases	Recommendation	Yes	Yes

- §3 Recommendation means that the Organiser shall only propose three different hotels of different categories via the relevant CEV form. The National Federation or Club shall then select one of them.

78. HOTEL

78.1 General provisions

- §1 Hotels of good category located within a radius of 30 minutes by car from the Competition venue are used.
- §2 A laundry service is provided when Participants play more than one match on consecutive days. The cleaned items are returned the next day, before departure for the next match.
- §3 An internet connection (Wi-Fi) is available free of charge for the CEV Officials, referees and Team delegations.

78.2 CEV Officials and referees

- §1 CEV Officials and referees are accommodated in single rooms.

78.3 Team delegation

- §1 A Team delegation is accommodated in twin rooms and single rooms.

When the maximum number of Players, Team Officials and Extra-Team Officials is not reached, the number of rooms is reduced accordingly.

- §2 In a Team delegation hotel, one room is made available and equipped to ensure the following during the Stay period:

- a. Such room is used for the meeting and video analysis of the Team delegation,
 - b. Such room is set according to professional and high-level standards,
 - c. Such room is equipped for the purposes mentioned in point a.
- §3 When more than four Team delegations are accommodated, multiple hotels of similar standard are used, and Team delegations are distributed evenly.
- §4 Each Participant is informed about the maximum accepted number of additional persons which are not Team Officials or Extra-team Officials. The costs of the accommodation, meals and local transportation are communicated to the concerned Team delegation.

79. NUTRITION

- §1 The following is provided:
- a. 3 meals per day: breakfast, lunch and dinner,
 - b. 2 warm meals per day,
 - c. Adequate quantity of mineral water in closed bottles without gas and soft drinks; during and after a meal, match and training session.
- §2 Team delegations, CEV Officials and referees are provided the meals available at their arrival and departure hours.
- §3 During the day of a match, before or after such match, an additional light snack is provided.
- §4 Requirements of Article 48 are fulfilled.
- §5 The menus for the teams have to be communicated by the organiser(s) to the EMC at least one week in advance (medical@cev.eu) for review and approval.

Chapter 12: Meetings

80. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- §1 Meetings are either arranged in the Competition venue or in one of the hotels used by the Organiser.
- §2 On the day before the start of each match or tournament of a CEV competition, the following meetings are arranged according to the following descending order:
- General organisation meeting,
 - Initial inspection,
 - Preliminary inquiry.
- §3 On the day before the start of each match or tournament of a CEV competition, the Organiser may arrange a Technical meeting.
- §4 The following meetings are arranged according to the following table:

CEV competition	Meetings			
	Supervisory Board meeting	Daily meeting	Refereeing clinic	Daily refereeing meeting
CEV EuroVolley				
Final phase		Yes		
Other phases	-	Yes	-	-
CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championships				
Final phase	Optional	Yes	Yes	Yes
Other phases	-	Yes	-	Yes
CEV Volleyball European League				
Final phase	Optional	Yes	Yes	Yes
Other phases	-	Yes	-	-
CEV Champions League Volley				
Final phase	Optional	Yes	Yes	Yes
Other phases		-		
CEV Volleyball Cup				
All phases		-		
CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup				
All phases		-		

- §5 Adequate facilities are provided in order to ensure the following:
- The users are able to easily fulfil their duties,
 - The meetings are held according to professional and high-level standards.

81. GENERAL ORGANISATION MEETING

- §1 A general organisation meeting is carried out by the CEV Supervisor, upon arrival of the latter.
- §2 The purpose of such meeting is to discuss the organisation requirements according to these regulations.
- §3 The following individuals shall attend this meeting:
- The CEV Supervisor,
 - The Organising director,
 - Other relevant representatives of the Organiser.
- §4 The representatives of the National Federation of the Organiser may attend this meeting.

82. INSPECTIONS OF THE COMPETITION HALL

- §1 During the initial inspection, the CEV certificate for the use of a LED system is submitted to the relevant CEV Official.
- §2 After the initial inspection, the requested instructions of the relevant CEV Official are implemented before the possible final inspection. Such CEV Official shall approve the performed action.
- §3 When required, the final inspection is held at the convenience of the relevant CEV Official after the initial inspection, no later than 3 hours before the start of a match or tournament and when no other activity takes place in the Competition hall. The Organiser shall present the Competition hall under match conditions.
- §4 The Organiser shall ensure together with the appointed CEV Supervisor that the testing of the CEV E-scoresheet and the CEV Statistics applications is performed one (1) day prior to the match of the CEV Competition (including log-in access, in-venue connectivity and power supply).

83. PRELIMINARY INQUIRY

- §1 A preliminary inquiry is carried out by the relevant CEV Official.
- §2 Purposes of such meeting are as follows:
 - a. To confirm the final list of Team delegation members participating to a match,
 - b. To allow the use of a camera for the purpose mentioned in article 111.3,
 - c. To verify the fulfilment of requirements mentioned in these regulations.
- §3 The following individuals, when appointed, shall attend this meeting:
 - a. The relevant CEV Official,
 - b. The Organising director,
 - c. The Team manager,
- §4 The Team manager shall present to the relevant CEV Official the following elements:
 - a. For each Team delegation member:
 - i. The FIVB Anti-Doping education programme certificate,
 - ii. The FIVB Competition Manipulation Course certificate,
 - iii. The Safeguarding course
 - iv. The accreditation card.
 - b. For each Player:
 - i. The health certificate,
 - ii. The passport or national identity card.
 - c. For the Medical doctor and/or Therapist: the authorisation,
 - d. The required number of Uniforms samples of the captain and Libero. If the Libero is team captain the Uniform of another team player is requested,
 - e. The advertisement certificate for National Team competitions only,
 - f. Any other document requested by CEV according to Official Communication.
- §5 The relevant CEV Official shall:
 - a. Cross check the elements provided with the relevant CEV forms,
 - b. Confirm the relevant CEV form,
 - c. Verify the fulfilment of requirements mentioned in these regulations,
 - d. Provide the relevant CEV form,
 - e. Accredite the individual and the camera used for the recording of the match.
- §6 A Team delegation member is confirmed by the relevant CEV Official when the elements provided are complete and in accordance with the relevant CEV forms.

84. TECHNICAL MEETING

- §1 Upon request from the Organiser or the CEV, a Technical meeting is carried out by the CEV Supervisor or Jury President and should start no later than 22:00.
- §2 The purpose of such meeting is to provide information concerning the match or tournament.
- §3 The following individuals, when appointed, shall attend this meeting:
- a. The CEV Supervisor or Jury members,
 - b. The Organising director,
 - c. Other relevant representatives of the Organiser,
 - d. The CEV Referee Coach,
 - e. The CEV Medical delegate
 - f. All Team managers,
 - g. All Coaches,
 - h. All Medical doctors for the final phase only,
 - i. All Referees.
- §4 When the Technical meeting is not requested, any relevant CEV Official may request and carry out another meeting with some of the individuals mentioned in §3, in order to communicate specific information.
- §5 A Medical Information meeting is held when the Technical meeting is not requested and when a CEV Medical delegate is appointed. It is carried out by the CEV Medical delegate.
- §6 The purpose of such meeting is to provide medical information such as the organisation of the first aid and doping control procedures.
- §7 The following individuals shall attend the meeting:
- a. The CEV Medical delegate,
 - b. The Local medical doctor,
 - c. The Medical doctor and/or Therapist of each Team delegation or another Team Official if none of them can attend.

85. SUPERVISORY BOARD MEETING

- §1 A Supervisory Board meeting is held at least once per year before the start of a final phase and carried out by the relevant CEV Official.
- §2 The purpose of such meeting is to monitor and coordinate the organisation of a level of a CEV competition.
- §3 The following individuals, when appointed, shall attend this meeting:
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| a. The Jury President or CEV Supervisor, | c. Other relevant representatives of the |
| b. The Organising director, | Organiser, |
| | d. Any other CEV Official. |

86. DAILY MEETING

- §1 A Daily meeting is held after the last match of a day or the next morning and carried out by the CEV Supervisor or Jury President.
- §2 The purpose of such meeting is to settle all issues stemming from the previous day.
- §3 The following individuals shall attend this meeting:
- a. The Jury President or CEV Supervisor,
 - b. The Organising director,
 - c. Other relevant representatives of the Organiser.

87. REFEREEING CLINIC

- §1 A Refereeing Clinic is held on the day before the start of the first match and carried out by the CEV Referee Coach or Special Refereeing Commission President.
- §2 Purposes of such meeting are as follows:
- a. To ensure the same interpretation and application of the Official Volleyball Rules,
 - b. To ensure the same interpretation and application of the refereeing instructions and guidelines.
- §3 The following individuals shall attend this meeting:
- a. The CEV Referee Coach or Special Refereeing Commission members,
 - b. All Match Officials,
 - c. All National Technical Officials.

88. DAILY REFEREEING MEETING

- §1 A daily refereeing meeting is carried out by the CEV Referee Coach or Special Refereeing Commission President.
- §2 The following individuals shall attend this meeting:
- a. The CEV Referee Coach or Special Refereeing Commission members,
 - b. All referees.

Chapter 13: Accreditation and security

89. ACCREDITATION

89.1 General provisions

- §1 Only CEV's official accreditation tool & software shall be used at CEV Competition.
- §2 The Competition venue is divided into various areas which access is either open to the public or restricted.
- §3 For a restricted area, an accreditation is necessary to enter such area. The grant of an access to a restricted area is based on the duties of the individual mentioned in these regulations. An accreditation plan sets the various areas an individual may enter.
 - a. An accreditation plan is developed. Individuals mentioned in these regulations are provided with an accreditation and access to the adequate areas,
 - b. Individuals do not enter an area they are not accredited for.
- §4 Extra-Team Officials are provided with an accreditation only after their related costs are previously paid to the Organiser.

89.2 Media

- §1 The Local Media officer provides the relevant CEV form to any media applying for an accreditation.
- §2 Once the application is returned and verified, the Local Media officer issues such accreditation before the media arrival at the Competition venue. For the final phase of a CEV competition, the CEV Media officer approves the accreditation before being issued.
- §3 Accreditation of a media is valid for one match or tournament of a CEV competition.
- §4 Vests are provided to all accredited photographers.
- §5 The CEV Accreditation is to be used by the Organiser whenever access is provided.

90. SECURITY

- §1 Adequate measures and means are provided to ensure the following:
 - a. The match and its side events run smoothly,
 - b. The Organiser workforce is trained to face any disturbance or issue related to an international sport event in a Competition hall,
 - c. The safety of any individual present in the Competition,
 - d. The enforcement of the accreditation plan,
 - e. The safety of any facility of the CEV stakeholders in and around the Competition venue.
- §2 Local authorities are informed well in advance and collaboration with them is established regarding all the necessary measures to be taken.
- §3 In case of a breach of security, the Organiser, the CEV Supervisor/Jury member and the Referees shall act as referred to in the CEV Organisation Guidelines.

Chapter 14: Information

91. CEV COMPETITIONS INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

- §1 Before and after each match, the relevant CEV forms and documents are provided to the CEV. Refer to article 37.

92. GENERAL INFORMATION

92.1 Tournament

- §1 The CEV stakeholders are informed via the following documents:
- a. Bulletin no.1,
 - b. Competition handbook,
 - c. Bulletin no.2,
 - d. Info Bulletin (1, 2, 3 ...),
 - e. Final Bulletin.
- §2 These documents are issued in a paper and/or electronic version before the deadline set in the Official Communications.
- §3 These documents are submitted to the CEV, for approval, by providing them to the relevant CEV Official. These documents are issued after the CEV written approval.

93. MEDICAL

- §1 Refer to article 47.1.

94. DRAWING OF LOTS

- §1 When the Organiser is granted the right to seed Participants, the names of the Participants and the respective allocated pools are provided to the CEV, no later than 1 week before the day of the drawing of lots.
- §2 When not done, the best ranked Participants according to the CEV National Team ranking list are seeded.

Chapter 15: Organiser Miscellaneous

95. MATCH TECHNOLOGY

95.1 General provisions

§1 For each match, the following match technologies to be used:

- a. e-Scoresheet;
- b. e-Scoresheet Tablet;
- c. Data Volley 4;
- d. Video Sharing;
- e. Wireless headsets and microphones for referees;
- f. Challenge system;
- g. LED System.

§2 The above-mentioned match technology products may be subject to terms & conditions of the CEV Official Technology partner.

§3 For each match, the following match technologies is provided and used as follows:

CEV competition	Lite Score	Wireless headsets	Challenge System	Large video screens	Volley board	e-Scoresheet, e-Scoresheet Tablet Data Volley 4 and Video Sharing	LED
CEV EuroVolley							
Final phase	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championships							
Final phase	Yes	Optional	Optional for U20,U18,U16 YES from ½ Finals onwards in U22	Optional	Optional	Yes	Optional
Prior phases	Yes	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional	Yes	Optional
CEV Volleyball European League							
Final phase	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Optional	Yes	Yes
Other phases	Yes	Yes	Yes	Optional	Optional	Yes	Yes
CEV Champions League Volley							
Final phase	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
From 4 th round onwards	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Optional	Yes	Yes
Prior rounds	Yes	Yes	Yes	Optional	Optional	Yes	Yes
CEV Volleyball Cup							
Final phase	Optional	Yes	Yes	Optional	Optional	Yes	Yes
From Playoffs onwards	Optional	Yes	Yes	Optional	Optional	Yes	Optional

Prior phases	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional	Yes	Optional
CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup							
Final phase	Optional	Yes	Yes	Optional	Optional	Yes	Yes
From ¼ finals	Optional	Optional	Yes	Optional	Optional	Yes	Optional
Prior phases	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional	Yes	Optional

§4 The Challenge System must be set and used according to the Video Challenge System Regulations published by FIVB. All modifications and/or tests will be reviewed by the ERC, which will decide on the application of these rule adaptations during the competition.

95.2 Usage of the e-Scoresheet, e-Scoresheet Tablet, Data Volley 4 and Video Sharing softwares. The softwares should be operated by following the respective regulations and user guidelines documentations:

§1 e-Scoresheet is the only official software, operated by one (1) Scorer who officially records the match progress, results, participants, events, protests and sanctions of such match. Statistics of each match are collected by designated match officials of the Organiser (or home team) for CEV purposes.

§2 e-Scoresheet Tablet is the part of the e-Scoresheet software operated by a team bench and match referees to manage match line-ups, substitutions, timeouts, video challenges, and to follow player positions.

§3 Data Volley 4 is the only official software, operated by one (1) Statistician who officially records players and team's statistics of each match. The statistic of each match is collected by a designated Statistician of the Organiser (or home team) for CEV purposes.

§4 Video Sharing is a software operated by a designated Statistician to upload and download match video recordings and statistics collected by Data Volley 4.

§5 CEV provides the necessary log-in credentials (including username & password) for above softwares to the Organiser prior to the start of the CEV Competition.

95.3 The Organiser must provide free-of-charge the following facilities and resources during the CEV Competition to operate the e-Scoresheet, e-Scoresheet Tablet, Data Volley 4 and Video Sharing according to the respective regulations.

§1 Hardware including laptops or tablets that meets the software's minimum technical requirements.

§2 Download and installation of the latest version of the softwares.

§3 High-speed and stable internet connection is required for e-Scoresheet and Data Volley 4 via LAN cable, with a minimum speed of 10 Mb/s for both upload and download, along with the necessary power supply.

§4 Execute e-Scoresheet and Data Volley 4 match tests in the Competition Hall one (1) day before the start of the CEV Competition match.

§5 Appointment of an experienced Scorer and Statistician during the CEV Competition match to operate the softwares and collect data and statistics according to the respective regulations.

§6 Ensure delivery of e-Scoresheet and Data Volley 4 live match statistics with no internet connection interruptions or data collection mistakes, and open and close a match only on a match court.

§7 Finalize e-Scoresheet match within 5 minutes after the end of a match and print Scoresheet according to the Official Volleyball rules and CEV Guidelines.

§8 Upload Data Volley 4 statistics and video files to Video Sharing within 1 hour after the end of a match.

§9 Prohibition of any illegal or non-authorized collection, archiving and distribution of match related data and statistics during all CEV Competitions matches.

95.4 Wireless headsets and microphones for referees

§1 The wireless communication system for the referees is according to the CEV requirements.

§2 The First Referee may be equipped with a microphone according to the CEV requirements and may direct a message to the spectators to clarify any issue regarding a decision.

95.5 CEV Challenge system

§1 A referee decision may be challenged in a CEV competition via the use of a video evidence system. Such Challenge system is set and used according to the relevant CEV regulations and after the CEV approval, which is valid for one CEV competition season.

§2 The system and all its technical specification are submitted to the CEV, for approval and before the deadline set in the Official communication.

§3 The Organiser ensures that the graphical output and animated feed produced by the appointed Challenge System technology provider and that are made available to broadcasters and in-venue screens are in accordance with the CEV brand guidelines.

95.6 LED System

§1 The LED is electronic advertising media system that displays static or video-based advertisement with illuminant high-definition graphics.

§2 The system has to fulfil the CEV requirements. The system and all its technical specification are submitted to the CEV, for approval and before the deadline set in the Official communication.

95.7 The organiser shall provide free-of-charge facilities and resources by CEV appointed collection partner, for betting data, as specified in Official Communications

96. DRAWING OF LOTS

§1 The Organiser which agreed to stage a public session of a drawing of lots shall:

- a. Invite the representatives of all Participants involved in the drawing of lots,
- b. Provide the adequate facilities and equipment,
- c. Follow the CEV instructions.

97. ENTERTAINMENT

§1 During a match, after the relevant CEV Official approval, entertainment is allowed in the Playing area during the time-outs, technical time-outs and intervals. The maximum duration of such entertainment is the duration of the time-outs, technical time-outs and intervals mentioned in the Official Volleyball Rules.

98. CEREMONIES

98.1 General provisions

§1 The ceremonies of a CEV competition may be organised for the Final phase of such competition and take place in the Competition hall.

§2 In case of several Competition venues, the Organiser may set local ceremonies in the several Competition halls.

§3 Team delegations shall attend the ceremonies.

§4 The Organiser and Team delegations shall comply with the CEV Awarding and Closing Ceremony Manual.

- 98.2 Opening ceremony
- §1 The opening ceremony should take place before the match of the team of the Organiser and should last approximately 10 minutes.
- 98.3 Awarding and closing ceremony
- §1 The awarding and closing ceremony take place within 10 minutes after the last match of a CEV competition.
99. PRIZES OF HONOUR
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- 99.1 Trophy
- §1 A Participant, placed first after the last match of a CEV competition, receives a trophy.
- §2 A Commercial partner may be granted the right to produce the trophy. In the absence of the grant of such right, the CEV or the Organiser of the last match of a CEV competition shall produce the trophy according to the Official Communications.
- 99.2 Medals
- §1 Each Team delegation member receives a medal after the last match of a CEV competition according to the following:
- a. A gold, silver or bronze medal for a Participant placed first, second or third with the Final phase played as a tournament,
 - b. A gold or silver medal for a Participant placed first or second with the last match played as a match not in a tournament.
- §2 The CEV provides a maximum number of 26 medals per Team delegation.
- 99.3 Individual awards
- §1 Individual awards are granted to the best Players of a CEV competition.
- §2 The following individual awards may be granted:
- | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|
| a. Libero, | e. Outside Spiker, |
| b. Middle Blocker, | f. Opposite Hitter, |
| c. Middle Blocker, | g. Setter, |
| d. Outside Spiker, | h. Most Valuable Player (MVP). |
- §3 Additional individual awards may be presented on-line as part of the digital coverage.
- §4 The Organiser of the last match of a CEV competition shall produce individual trophies for any award presented as part of the awarding ceremony.
100. OBSERVER
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- §1 An accreditation is granted to an observer sent by a Participant.
- §2 Adequate facilities are provided so observers fulfil their assigned duties.
- §3 An observer is placed according to the court layout.
101. TICKETS
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- §1 A minimum number of match tickets are reserved for the Participants and the CEV according to the Official communications. The Team managers have dedicated seats.
- §2 Part of the tickets gives access to the highest category of seats.
- §3 Tickets are allocated taking into account the security of the individuals.
- §4 The CEV and the Participants shall confirm the number of tickets before the deadlines set in the Official communications. After such deadline, non-confirmed tickets are automatically returned to the Organiser.

- §5 The National Federation or Club may return, without bearing any costs, confirmed tickets to the Organiser before the deadline set in the Official Communications. After such deadline, the visiting Participant shall bear the costs of these returned tickets.
- §6 The minimum number and deadline may change if agreed otherwise between the Organiser and the National Federations or Clubs.

102. TRAINING

102.1 Training sessions

- §1 All training sessions shall take place between 8:00 and 21:00. The training session of any Participant ends at least 5 hours before the start of the match of such Participant.
- §2 The conditions of the training sessions are even for all Participants.
- §3 The training sessions on match day are held under match conditions, unless it is held in a Training hall.
- §4 The training sessions per Participant are set as follows:
 - a. On the day prior to the match or tournament: one training session of 90 minutes,
 - b. On the day of the match or tournament: one training session of 60 minutes for National Team competitions and up to 90 minutes for Club competitions,
 - c. On the day without match for such Participant during a tournament: one training session of 90 minutes.
- §5 On a non-match day training session, when requested by the CEV, a Participant is to allocate a 10-minute period that is to be made open to the accredited media.

102.2 Training schedule

102.2.1 No tournament

- §1 On the day of the match, the training sessions are scheduled according to the "visiting and "hosting" Participant status. The hosting Participant trains before the visiting one.

102.2.2 Tournament

- §1 The relevant CEV Official decides on the training schedule.
- §2 A Participant playing the last match of the day should not train first on the morning of the next day.

102.3 Training facilities

- §1 The training facilities are for the exclusive use of the Participant during a training session. Such Participant may invite another one during such session.
- §2 Only the Participant is present in the relevant hall unless agreed otherwise by this Participant.
- §3 A Changing room and First aid room are available.
- §4 The training facilities are held according to the following table:

CEV competition	Club competitions	National Team competitions
No tournament		
Day before the match	Competition or Training hall	Competition hall
Day of the match	Competition hall	Competition hall
Tournament		
Day before the tournament	Competition hall	Competition hall
Day of the tournament	Competition or Training hall	Competition or Training hall

Day of the tournament without match	Competition hall	Competition hall
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§5 In case, a training session is not held in a Competition hall for a valid reason on the day prior to the tournament or on a day without a match during such tournament, the next training session is held in the Competition hall.

102.4 Work-out facilities

§1 For Senior Final phases, the Organiser must provide a work-out facility and transportation for all teams requesting the use of the work-out facility during the Competition. The access is provided free of charge for the team.

103. WARMING-UP AREA(S)

§1 If available, Participants may use a court different from the Playing court before the Official warm-up session.

§2 The use of a warm-up court is submitted to the relevant CEV Official, for approval. The Organiser and the relevant CEV Official shall agree whether or not balls are used.

Section 6: Exploitation of rights

Chapter 16: CEV Properties and Rights

104. PRINCIPLES

- §1 The CEV is the exclusive owner of all rights related to a CEV competition including, without limitation, the Commercial rights.
- §2 The CEV may grant all or part of the rights mentioned in §1 at its sole discretion to a Commercial partner or a Participant.
- §3 The CEV may grant to a Commercial partner the exclusive right to use and exploit part of the Commercial rights and/or the exclusive right for a category of good, product and/or service to be associated with the CEV and/or a CEV competition.
- §4 Each, any and all rights not expressly granted under these regulations or not used by a Commercial partner or Participant or Organiser remains the exclusive ownership of the CEV and may be granted only in a subsequent written agreement or via the Official communications.
- §5 A Participant may sub-grant all or part of the above-mentioned rights granted, only after a written agreement with the CEV or approval of the CEV. The subsequent party having been granted such rights should not be able to grant them.
- §6 Each, any and all rights are granted on the day of the CEV registration approval. Such rights terminate on the day after the last match of a CEV competition, unless specified otherwise in these regulations or in a subsequent written agreement with the CEV.
- §7 Each, any and all rights to be granted shall be granted and then exploited in accordance with the national Law of the Host country, the CEV Regulatory Framework and any exclusive rights granted by the CEV to another Commercial partner or Participant.
- §8 In particular, each, any and all rights to be granted shall be granted and then exploited so it does not, directly or indirectly, by any means and in any form, suggest or refer to a legal entity, its products, goods, services or brands or use content which are likely prejudicial to individual's health and safety and/or harm any person due to its sex, colour, language, religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, association with a national minority, property, birth or other status.

105. SAFEGUARD AND SUPPORT OF CEV PROPERTIES, RIGHTS AND BRAND

- §1 The CEV and CEV competitions identification markers are only associated with a rights holder's products, goods, services or brand.
- §2 CEV stakeholders shall do their best to ensure a Commercial partner or Participant a peaceful enjoyment of their granted rights and shall refrain from being involved or contributing, directly or indirectly, actively or not, to any breach of it.
- §3 The peaceful enjoyment of any exclusive right granted to a Commercial partner is ensured; in particular by avoiding, impeding and stopping any breach of such exclusivity.
- §4 CEV stakeholders shall avoid, impeded and stop any suggestion or given impression that a third party is associated or connected, by any means and in any form, to the CEV or a CEV competition. CEV stakeholders shall refrain from being involved or contributing, directly or indirectly, actively or not, to such third-party association.
- §5 National Federations and Clubs shall provide the relevant CEV forms before the deadlines set in the Official Communications and update them if necessary.
- §6 National Federations and Clubs shall support the activities and side events related to a CEV competition.

Chapter 17: Identification markers

106. CEV

106.1 General provisions

- §1 National Federations and Clubs shall ensure that a CEV competition is easily and immediately identifiable as a CEV event.
- §2 National Federations and Clubs shall refer to a CEV competition, in written or orally, by using the CEV competition identification markers only.
- §3 National Federations and Clubs shall use and/or exploit the CEV and CEV competition identification markers with the dimension, language, wording, colours, shape, materials and presentation according to the CEV Guidelines.
- §4 National Federations and Clubs shall submit to the CEV, for approval, each, any and all elements added by any means and in any forms to a CEV or CEV competition identification marker. Such identification marker is used and/or exploited only after the CEV written approval.
- §5 National Federations and Clubs shall display the CEV, CEV competition and Commercial partners identification markers in each, any and all print and digital materials related to a CEV competition.

106.2 CEV

- §1 The CEV identification markers are the following:
 - a. The CEV name written in full: "Confédération Européenne de Volleyball",
 - b. The CEV name anagram: "CEV",
 - c. The CEV logo,
 - d. The CEV flag.

106.3 CEV competition

- §1 The CEV competition identification markers are the following, but not limited to:
 - a. The CEV competition title,
 - b. The CEV competition logo,
 - c. The CEV competition Final phase logo,
 - d. The CEV competition mascot,
 - e. The CEV competition trophy,
 - f. The CEV competition anthem,
 - g. The CEV competition Host city name.

107. NATIONAL FEDERATION AND CLUB

- §1 The National Federation and Club identification markers are the following, but not limited to:
 - a. Name and nickname,
 - b. Emblems, logos, symbols, motto and shirt,
 - c. Team identification markers which composition is defined by analogy to the National Federation and Club identification markers,
 - d. And more generally, trademarks and designs registered in a national registration office, the OHMI or WIPO.
- §2 The CEV has the non-exclusive right to produce, use, exploit and/or sub-licence, in its members' territories and on a free basis, the National Federation and Club identification markers, from their registration dates to a CEV competition, for the said competition organisation and promotion, commercial activities, Volleyball promotion and history purposes.
- §3 Such right is related to the sport of Volleyball; may combine several National Federations and Clubs identification markers and shall process them on an equal basis; may associate them with a Commercial partner's good, service, product or brand without implying any endorsement of the latter by the National Federation or Club, unless agreed.

Chapter 18: Commercial rights

108. ADVERTISING RIGHTS

108.1 Advertisement on the print and digital materials

§1 The Organiser is granted the right to display advertisement on the print and digital materials.

108.2 Advertisement in the team denomination

§1 Only Clubs are granted the right to display advertisement in their team denomination.

108.3 Advertisement on Team delegation

108.3.1 General provisions

§1 National Federations and Clubs are granted the non-exclusive right to display advertisement on the Team delegation equipment.

§2 A Team delegation member shall not carry any advertisement on the body or any other accessories.

108.3.2 National Team competitions

§1 Advertisement on the Team delegation equipment is in accordance with Chapter 6 and Annex A of the FIVB Event Regulations.

§2 A National Federation shall submit to the CEV, for approval, each, any and all advertisement by providing the relevant CEV form before the deadline set in the Official Communications. Such advertisement is displayed after the CEV written approval which is valid for one calendar year.

§3 A certificate is issued, together with the CEV approval. It is presented during the Preliminary inquiry.

§4 Any change of the advertisement content or shape shall require the CEV approval. A National Federation with an advertisement not approved or different in its content or shape, shall change its related Team delegation equipment.

§5 A fee may be paid to the CEV for any advertisement on the Uniform and tracksuit.

108.3.3 Club competitions

A) Players

§1 The advertisement on the Uniform is the same, in its content and shape, for all Players with the sole exception of the Libero.

§2 A Club may freely display unlimited advertisement on the Uniform with the exceptions mentioned in §3, §4 and §5 below.

§3 The following elements on the Uniform are free of any sign capable of being represented graphically:

- a. The inside of the Player's name letters,
- b. The inside of the number signs,
- c. The area between the collar seam and the Player's name area, defined as a rectangle with the collar team's width and a length from the upper point of the collar seam to the upper point of the Player's name area,

§4 On the front side of the shirt, the person creating, producing and selling goods and products used in sports – the manufacturer – may freely display, once, one registered trademark which shall fit within a five centimetres long and four centimetres wide rectangle.

§5 On the short, the manufacturer, may freely display, once, one registered trademark which shall fit within a five centimetres long and four centimetres wide rectangle.

B) Other Team delegation members

§1 A Club may freely display unlimited advertisement on the other Team delegation members' equipment.

108.4 Advertisement on Match Official

§1 Match Officials have an equipment free of any sign capable of being represented graphically. The manufacturer may freely position, once, one registered trademark which shall fit within a five centimetres long and four centimetres wide rectangle.

108.5 Advertisement on other individuals

§1 The Organiser may be granted the right to display advertisement on the Courtside assistants' equipment. Such advertisement is the same, in its content and shape, for all Courtside assistants.

§2 A list of other individuals for whom advertisement on their equipment is requested is submitted to the CEV, for approval. Such individuals are allowed to display advertisement after the CEV written approval.

108.6 Advertisement in the Competition venue

108.6.1 General provisions

§1 The Organiser is granted the non-exclusive right to display advertisement on the Advertising spaces in the Competition venue.

§2 The list of advertisement to be displayed is submitted to the CEV, for approval, according to the following table:

CEV competition	Submission of the list of advertisement
CEV EuroVolley	
Final phase	Yes
CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championships	
Final phase	Yes
Other phases	Optional
CEV Volleyball European League	
All phases	Yes
CEV Champions League Volley	
All phases	Yes
CEV Volleyball Cup	
Final	Yes
Other matches	Yes
CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup	
Final	Yes
Other matches	Optional

§3 When the submission is required, the relevant CEV form is provided before the deadline set in the Official Communications.

§4 The advertisement is displayed after the CEV approval. Such approval is valid for one CEV competition season.

§5 Advertising spaces are clean and free of any element, colour and sign capable of being represented graphically – which are not referring to or according to a granted right – according to the following table:

CEV competition	Clean and free Advertising spaces
CEV EuroVolley	
Final phase	The competition hall shall be free of any advertising.
CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championships	

Final phase	Advertising spaces in the Competition hall below 8 metres height
Other phases	-
CEV Volleyball European League	
All phases	Advertising spaces in the Competition hall below 8 metres height
CEV Champions League Volley	
Final phase	The Competition hall shall be free of any advertising
Other phases	Advertising spaces in the Competition hall below 5 metres height
CEV Volleyball Cup	
Final phase	Advertising spaces in the Competition hall below 5 metres height
Other phases	-
CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup	
Final	Advertising spaces in the Competition hall below 5 metres height
Other matches	-

- §6 The height is measured from the floor of the Playing court.
- §7 In case such sign, colour and element cannot be taken away for valid reasons, they are moved as far as possible from the Competition area, in an area not opened to and not visible by the public.
- §8 In any case, they are covered with the purposes to fully conceal them from the public and to not recognise them.

108.6.2 Competition area

A) General provisions

- §1 An Advertising space only displays advertisement for either one legal entity or one product, good, service or brand.
- §2 An Advertising space in the Competition area is set according to the relevant court layout. Only Advertising spaces mentioned in such court layout are used.
- §3 The sports floor is free of any sign capable of being represented graphically and referring to the manufacturer.

B) Materials

- §1 Any materials used fulfil the requirements set by the CEV.
- §2 A dynamic advertisement system - LED system - instead of a static one may be used after the fulfilment of the following requirements:
- a. The CEV approves the application submitted and issues a CEV certificate,
 - b. Such certificate is presented during the Preliminary inquiry.
The LED application form is submitted within the set deadline of the Official Communication.
- §3 The issued CEV certificate is valid for one CEV competition and during such competition season.
- §4 The rotation time and ratios for the advertisement to be displayed on a LED system is defined by the CEV.

C) Reciprocity rule

- §1 In a "Home and Away" match, the visiting Participant may be granted the right to use one Advertising space in the Competition area.
- §2 The visiting Participant shall communicate the advertisement via the CEV relevant form. The Organiser and the CEV shall approve such advertisement. In case this right is not used or is denied, the Organiser may display its advertisement.

109. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

- §1 National Federations and Clubs are granted the non-exclusive right to use and/or exploit the CEV and CEV competition identification markers. Such right is granted from the date of the CEV registration confirmation to 60 days after the last match of a CEV competition for the said competition organisation and promotion and Volleyball promotion.
- §2 National Federations and Clubs shall ask for the approval from the CEV for any use of CEV Intellectual Property.

110. OTHER RIGHTS

- §1 The Organiser is granted the non-exclusive right to carry out activities in the Competition venue.
- §2 Safety principles are respected, and the hosting and staging of a match is not hindered.
- §3 The necessary materials for the Commercial partners' activities is made available, after confirmation with the CEV of the latter and the required materials.

111. MEDIA RIGHTS

111.1 General provisions

- §1 The CEV shall inform National Federations and Clubs about the distribution of the Media rights via the Official communications, Organiser Agreements, TV Guarantee Forms (TV-01) and/or any other means.
- §2 In case the CEV grants all or part of the Media rights to the CEV Sport Media agency, any topic related to such granted rights are discussed with the CEV Sport Media agency.
- §3 The Organiser shall collaborate with and support the CEV Sport Media Agency and any other Commercial Partners to which are granted the relevant Media Rights.

111.2 Rights granted to the Organiser

- §1 The Organiser is only granted only the non-exclusive domestic Media Rights in its Host Country, for a given period and in relation the relevant CEV Competition indicated in the table below. For the avoidance of any doubt, all other media rights not indicated are solely retained by the CEV.

CEV Competition	Non-exclusive Media Rights
CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championship – Final Phase	Domestic Matches
CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championship –Other Phases & Zonal Events	Domestic Matches
Volleyball European League – Final Round	All matches*
Volleyball European League – League Round	Domestic matches
Volleyball Cup – Final Phase	Domestic matches
Volleyball Challenge Cup – Main Phase	Domestic matches
Volleyball Cup – Final Phase	Domestic matches
Volleyball Challenge Cup – Main Phase	Domestic matches

*In case of Final Round competition format only. For home/away format, the host is retaining the rights for home match only.

- §2 With the acquisition of the above-mentioned Media Rights, the Organiser shall ensure to minimum broadcast and/or live stream on its official digital platforms all matches of the CEV Competition in which its respective participating club and participating team take part. The Organiser shall also make its best efforts to broadcast all other matches of the relevant Club Competitions and National Team Competitions.

- §3 Notwithstanding the above, subject to further restrictions set by the CEV Sport Media Agency, the CEV is making selected media rights available to the Organiser for non-exclusive use and distribution via the Organiser's owned and operated digital platforms for promotional purposes only. For the avoidance of doubt, selected media rights provided by the CEV to the Organiser only refer to matches of the CEV Club Competitions and CEV National Team Competitions in which the respective Organiser's team takes part.
- a. The non-exclusive right to use archive rights
 - b. The non-exclusive right to exploit highlights containing up to a maximum of five (5) minutes of footage from the relevant match on the Organiser's owned digital platforms not earlier than the end of such relevant match
 - c. The non-exclusive right to exploit up to a maximum of five (5) near-live clips per relevant match of up to a maximum of ten (10) seconds for each clip on the Organiser's owned digital platforms or forums.
- §4 In case of a World Feed, the Organiser must arrange at its own cost for the host broadcast production of a World Feed signal for the relevant Club Competitions and National Team Competitions as well as the delivery of such World Feed on an established European satellite in accordance with Art. 113 and the corresponding table. The Organiser may delegate to a host broadcaster and/or third production company the production and provision of such World Feed.
- §5 The name of the host broadcaster and/or third-party production company shall be communicated to the CEV and the CEV Sport Media Agency no later than three (3) months before the start of the relevant Club Competitions and National Team Competitions.
- §6 In case of a Streaming Feed, the Organiser must arrange at its own cost for the production and delivery of such Streaming Feed for the relevant match of the Club Competitions and National Team Competitions in accordance with art. 113 and the corresponding table. The Organiser may delegate to a third-party production company the production and provision of such Streaming Feed.
- §7 The name of the company in charge of producing this Streaming Feed shall be communicated to the CEV and the CEV Sport Media Agency no later than two (2) months before the start of the relevant Club Competitions and National Team Competitions.
- §8 In case the Organiser wishes to live stream matches of the CEV Competition on any of its official digital platforms (including but not limited to Facebook, YouTube, Twitter, website/OTT and on any video paywall services), the video streaming shall be always geo-blocked and only made available for users within the Host Country (i.e. the live streaming is only visible and consumed by users in the Host Country) unless it is communicated otherwise by the CEV and the CEV Sport Media Agency. In case the Organiser wishes to live stream matches of the CEV Competition on digital platforms that cannot be geoblocked (i.e. Twitch), the Organiser shall contact the CEV and the CEV Sport Media Agency to discuss commercial terms and technical delivery of said match signal.
- §9 In case the Organiser wishes to acquire the media rights of its away matches of the CEV Competition for exploitation in its territory, the Organiser shall contact the CEV and the CEV Sport Media Agency to discuss in good faith commercial terms and the technical delivery of the said match signal. For the avoidance of doubt, there is no Media rights reciprocity between Organisers of the CEV Competition.
- §10 The CEV reserves the rights to promote all Club Competitions and National Team matches on its official digital platforms including social media and websites. The CEV also reserves the rights to stream all matches on a live basis of the CEV Club Competitions and National Team Competitions on its official digital platforms including but not limited to OTT platforms, YouTube (on a free and behind paywall basis) and Facebook. This is subject to geo-restrictions in the respective Host Country and specific restrictions by the CEV Sport Media Agency.

111.3 Rights granted to the National Federations and Clubs

- §1 National Federations and Clubs are granted the non-exclusive right to record any matches for the only purpose of technical analysis of such matches, excluding any commercial purposes.
- §2 National Federations or Clubs shall request an accreditation to the Organiser for the concerned individuals and the camera used.
- §3 National Federations and Clubs may only grant access to such recording to the Team delegation members, Officials, representatives, employees of the Participant.
- §4 National Federations and Clubs shall ensure the following:
 - a. Such recordings remain under their supervision and control,
 - b. Such recordings are not distributed, transmitted or broadcasted.

112. REQUIREMENTS

112.1 Commercial partners' activities

- §1 Upon request of the CEV, the necessary areas in the Competition venue for the Commercial partners' activities are reserved. Location of such areas is agreed between the CEV and the Organiser.

112.2 Exclusive right

- §1 In case of an exclusive right granted to a Commercial partner for a category of goods, products and/or services, National Federations and Clubs shall use such goods, products and/or services in the frame of a CEV competition.
- §2 National Federations and Clubs shall ensure that their members, Officials, representatives, employees, individuals registered via a licence or under their authority use such good, product and/or service in the frame of a CEV competition.

112.3 Promotion

- §1 A Participant shall develop and provide the CEV, according to the instructions and deadline mentioned in the Official Communications, with one promotional plan per phase, according to the following table:

CEV competition	Promotional plan
CEV EuroVolley	
Final Round	Yes
CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championships	
Final phase	Yes
Other phases	See Official Communication
CEV Volleyball European League	
Final Round	Yes
League Round	See Official Communication
CEV Champions League Volley	
4th Round onwards	Yes
1st, 2nd and 3rd Round	See Official Communication
CEV Volleyball Cup	
Final phase	Yes
Main Phase	See Official Communication
CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup	
Final phase	Yes
Main Phase	See Official Communication

§2 National Federations and Clubs shall display on their written communication with the public, social platforms, the CEV and CEV competition identification markers.

112.4 Print and digital materials

§1 In the phases before the final phase of a CEV competition, the list of mandatory print materials to be produced and used is published in the Official Communications.

In the final phase of a CEV competition, the list of mandatory print materials to be produced is published in the handbook and/or the Official communication.

§2 Before producing or using a print or digital material, a sample is submitted to the CEV, for approval, via the CEV cloud and before the deadlines set in the Official Communications.

Section 7: Media Production

Chapter 19: Broadcasting standards and Production Obligation

113. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- §1 The Broadcasting Standards and Production Obligation indicated hereafter are minimum requirements and will be completed by instructions, broadcast manuals, guidelines and/or TV Guarantee forms provided by the CEV and/or the CEV Sport Media agency.
- §2 In case the CEV and the CEV Sport Media are not in a position to close a media rights license agreement and find a host broadcaster in the Host Country of the Organiser, it is the responsibility of the Organiser to guarantee the production and delivery of a signal for its domestic matches at its own cost and in accordance with art. 113.
- §3 When the production obligation is optional and the Organiser decides to produce relevant National Team Competitions and Club Competitions matches, it must arrange at its own cost the production and delivery of the signal in accordance with art. 113. The Organiser shall also inform the CEV and the CEV Sport Media Agency of its intention of producing no later than two (2) months prior to the start of the relevant match.
- §4 The Broadcasting Standards and Production Obligation for CEV National Team Competitions and Club Competitions related events are according to the following tables:

Table A

CEV competition	Broadcasting Standards & Production Obligation			
	Minimum Standards	Production Responsibility	Production Obligation	DELIVERY METHOD
CEV EuroVolley				
Final round	A	CEV Sport Media Agency	All matches	World Feed/ European satellite
CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championship				
Final phase	E	Organiser	Semi-finals 1-4 Bronze and Gold Medal matches	Streaming Feed/Internet
Other phases	F		Optional	Streaming Feed/Internet
CEV Volleyball European League				
Final Round	B	Organiser	All matches	World Feed/ European satellite
League Round	C		All domestic matches	
CEV Champions League Volley				
Final Four	A	CEV Sport Media Agency	All matches	World Feed/ European satellite
Playoff, 1/4	B	CEV Sport Media Agency		
Fourth round				
Other rounds (1 st , 2 nd and 3 rd Round)	C	/Organiser		

CEV Volleyball Cup						
Final phase	C	Organiser	Semi-finals and final		World Feed/ European satellite	
Other phases	D		Optional			
CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup						
Final phase	C	Organiser	Finals		World Feed/European satellite	
Other Phases	D		Optional			

Table B

Number of Cameras / of which*: <i>*All the cameras must be recorded and ready to be used as super slow-motion capacity if required by CEV and CEV Sport Media Agency</i>	10	6	5	3	3	1
-Fixed camera	5	3	2	2	1	1
-Hand-held camera	2	2	2	1	2	N/A
-Net camera	1	1	1	Optional	N/A	N/A
-Crane camera	1	Optional	Optional	Optional	N/A	N/A
-Beauty shot camera	1	Optional	Optional	Optional	N/A	N/A
-Replay lamp	1	1	1	Optional	N/A	N/A
-Court microphone	10	6	5	3	Optional	Optional
-Net microphone	1	1	1	Optional	N/A	N/A
-Highlights	Yes	Yes	Optional	Optional	N/A	N/A
On-screen TV graphics & titles	Yes See 114.4	Yes See 114.4	Yes See 114.4	Yes See 114.4	Score bug, team names as lower thirds, final result	Score bug
DESCRIPTION	CEV Broadcasting Standards Overview (Minimum)					
	A	B	C	D	E	F
International running order						
-Start before the match	10 minutes	10 minutes	10 minutes	10 minutes	2 minutes	1 minute
-End after the match	3 minutes	3 minutes	3 minutes	3 minutes	2 minutes	1 minute

114. TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

114.1 General provisions

- §1 The Broadcasting standards indicated hereafter are composed of the following unchanging technical requirements:
- a. Feed
 - b. Camera positions
 - c. Production principles
 - d. On screen TV graphics & titles
 - e. Replay
 - f. Transmission
 - g. Broadcasting
 - h. International Running order
 - i. Equipment
 - j. Interview, Studios & ENG positions
 - k. Master recordings

114.2 The Feed

- §1 The World Feed is produced with the following minimum technical characteristics: HD 16:9 DVB-S2 2 MPEG4/H.264 4:2:0 or 4:2:2.
- §2 The World Feed includes CEV official match graphics (see also 114.4) and opening/closing sequences, slow motion & replays and no added commercial material, clean of any host broadcaster domestic content, and with no in-vision presenters or studios or any other local or customized features.
- §3 The minimum audio configuration of the World Feed is as follows:
- a. Audio 1: international sound stereo left
 - b. Audio 2: international sound stereo right
 - c. Audio 3: mono
 - d. Audio 4: mono
- §4 The production of the World Feed starts and ends according to the international running order.

114.3 Camera Positions

- §1 In relation to camera positions, the Organiser must provide the following facilities free of charge to the CEV and the CEV Sport Media Agency:
- a. A main camera platform for one (1) or two (2) cameras (position to be approved by the CEV and the CEV Sport Media Agency, centralised above the court, facing the main tribune and at the appropriate angle to produce a professional TV signal of international standard.
 - b. A number of other camera platforms defined by the CEV and the CEV Sport Media Agency during technical site inspections and/or technical briefing (including but not limited to short sides of the court, reverse angle, etc).
 - c. Upon request from the CEV Sport Media Agency and only for certain events, platform and/or necessary scaffolding/truss for the mounting of roof and cable cams as well as the appropriate ringing to install them and the potential safety engineer.
 - d. Upon request of the CEV and the CEV Sport Media Agency, a detailed camera plan shall be provided by the Organiser not later than 2 months prior to the start of the CEV Competition

114.4 Production principles

- §1 The Production principles are as follows:
- a. The concepts of speed, dynamism, excitement and competitiveness of the sport of Volleyball are highlighted,

- b. Coverage of a match is unbiased to any Participant and favour both Participants equally,
- c. Cheering spectators' footage are preferred and empty tribunes are avoided,
- d. Tight camera angle is avoided,
- e. No foreign commentators/journalists are in vision unless inadvertently in a long shot,
- f. The ball trajectory at the service is visible all the time,
- g. Penalties and substitutions are covered,
- h. The main camera must see the layout of all the players present on court, when serving and during the rally.
- i. Match Direction should always be sensitive to controversial circumstances (i.e. Serious player's injury, violent or abusive player behaviour, disrespectful behaviours towards match officials).
- j. Match Direction must always be neutral in relation to external factors (i.e. Crowd disturbances, political banners, public order offences).
- k. The CEV and CEV competitions identification markers are only associated with rights holder's products, goods, services or brands. Third party action suggesting or giving the impression it is associated or connected, by any means and in any form, to the CEV or a CEV competition is avoided and absent in the Feed.
- l. The overriding principle remains "if in doubt, leave it out". Features that might damage CEV's competition image shall never be included in the multilateral feed.
- m. The Host Broadcast team shall be granted access to the team locker room areas solely in the presence of the team manager or a designated representative of the CEV, and only after receiving explicit, prior authorisation from the team. Under no circumstances shall the Host Broadcast team enter the locker room areas unaccompanied or without such prior approval. Upon receiving authorisation, the Host Broadcast team is permitted to capture only content deemed appropriate.

114.5 On-screen TV graphics & titles

114.5.1 General provisions

- §1 Graphics are used according to the CEV and CEV Media agency instructions and the international running order and/or provided by the CEV or the CEV Media agency.
- §2 Graphics are in English, clean, bright, clear and should be animated.
- §3 Graphics, except of potential inclusion of official CEV Title Sponsor but always in compliance with national laws, are free of any direct or indirect reference, suggestion to a legal entity, its products, goods, services or brands by any means and in any form, with the sole exception of a Club or National Federation.
- §4 Graphics template and titles are provided by the CEV and the CEV Sport Media Agency. They are implemented and integrated into the Feed (including opening/closing sequence, wipe, pictures of the players) by the Organiser at its own cost.
- §5 In relation to the graphic implementation position, The Organiser must provide to the CEV and the CEV Sport Media Agency a minimum of three (3) seats, one (1) table, electricity and internet connection. Such position shall also be on court level and next to the data/statistics operator if applicable.
- §6 The CEV logo and the CEV competition logo are always displayed in the graphics.



- §7 The CEV statistics software provides the statistics displayed in the graphics. The interface for the CEV statistics software is mandatory and available on request.
- §8 Identification of a Participant in the graphics is according to its team denomination and logos provided to the CEV and their three letters code.

114.5.2 Before the start of a match

- §1 Before the start of a match, graphics display a presentation of the following items:
- The match,
 - The Participants including the country flag, Team logo, Players' pictures, names, ages, Team position, heights, caps and shirt numbers,
 - The Coaches,
 - The Referees,
 - The starting line-up.

114.5.3 During a match

- §1 During a match, graphics display the following information:
- The current score, always visible in the top left-hand corner of the screen except during a replay, including results of previous sets, the serving Team and identification of the two Participants,
 - The total score after each set,
 - Substitutions,
 - Time outs,
 - Challenges (when Challenge System is used),
 - Set point and match point,
 - Player penalties,
 - Special notifications related to the match,
 - Statistics during time-outs and intervals.

114.5.4 After the end of a match

- §1 After the end of a match, graphics display the following information:
- The final result of the match,
 - Statistics of the match,
 - The updated ranking of the CEV competition,
 - Other match results.

114.5.5 CEV and CEV competition identification markers

- §1 A graphic display of the CEV logo and the CEV competition logo for three seconds each time as follows:
- At the start and at the end of a match,
 - At the start and at the end of a set,
 - At the start and at the end of a replay.

114.6 Replay

- §1 Before a match, the producer shall inform the relevant CEV Official about the use of replays.
- §2 During a match, the producer may decide to delay the next rally. The delay is a maximum of 7 seconds. The producer may use a maximum of 6 replays per set.

- §3 At the end of a rally, the producer activates a red light placed on the post facing the First referee.
- §4 The light remains on for the duration of the replay.
- §5 In general priority is always given to live coverage, ball in play, best action (the serve must never be missed).
- §6 Always emphasize quality over quantity.
- §7 The replay at the end of the rally must clarify the play and, usually, it can be divided into two (2) parts: one (1) replay from a wide shot explaining the action, and one (1) replay from a close shot, highlighting the athletic action, or players celebration.
- §8 Special cameras must always be used with moderation and pertinence.

114.7 Transmission

- §1 The Feed transmitted, free of charge, is without any added element related to a possible broadcast of the Feed in the Host country of the Organiser.
- §2 The World Feed is transmitted according to the DVB-S2 standard via an established European satellite such as Eutelsat 7A or Eutelsat 10A. A Eutelsat certified SNG HD fully redundant (1+1) capable of transmission DVB-S2 2 MPEG4/H.264 4:2:0 or 4:2:2 with BISS 1 Encryption. Satellite parameters are also provided to the CEV and CEV Sport Media Agency no later than 3 weeks before the start of the relevant match.
- §3 The CEV Media agency may provide the Organiser with the relevant satellite parameters concerning the transmission of the Feed.

114.8 Broadcasting

- §1 The broadcast of the Feed covers all parts of the Host country.
- §2 The Feed is broadcasted on a live basis. The Feed may be exceptionally broadcasted on a delayed basis, only after approval of the CEV.
- §3 The CEV or CEV Media agency is provided with a schedule of the broadcast of the Feed, no later than one week before the start of the match.
- §4 The CEV or CEV Media agency is provided with data with a detailed explanation, within one month after the end of the relevant level, including without limitation, the following data:
 - a. Estimated audience figures and rating of each broadcast related to the level of the CEV competition,
 - b. Starting and ending time of each broadcast with GMT and local times,
 - c. Status of each match broadcast: live or delayed.

114.9 International running order

- §1 The international running order is composed of an opening and/or closing sequences. Such sequences are set according to the CEV instructions. The production of the Feed starts with the opening sequence and ends with the closing sequence.
- §2 In case a closing ceremony and/or awarding ceremony is set, such ceremonies are included in the closing sequence.
- §3 The event Organiser shall inform CEV and the appointed Host Broadcaster of any additional activities on-site which will be included in the international running order of broadcast.

- 114.10 Equipment
- §1 The equipment is set according to the relevant court layout and the instructions of the CEV Media agency.
- 114.11 Master Recordings
- §1 Upon request of the CEV, the Organiser shall provide free of charge match highlights (format, duration and editing details to be provided by the CEV) to the CEV via FTP or hard-drive. For the avoidance of doubt, the Organiser must provide the necessary hard-drive free-of-charge to the CEV.
- §2 Upon request of the CEV, the Organiser shall provide free of charge at the end of any relevant matches of the CEV National Team Competitions and Clubs Competitions the following match recordings to the CEV via FTP or hard-drive. For the avoidance of doubt, the Organiser must provide the necessary hard-drive free-of-charge to the CEV.
- a. One (1) match programming version without graphics (audio: international sound only)
- b. One (1) match programming version (international sound + commentary mix if applicable) including opening and closing ceremony.
- 114.12 Interview, Studios & ENG positions
- §1 Any broadcasted interview of a Team delegation member is performed with the CEV branded backdrop immediately behind such Team delegation member.
- §2 Pre and post-match interviews for the multilateral feed (where required) are carried out by the CEV and/or by a journalist/media officer assigned by them in English.
- §3 The Organiser shall provide adequate reserved space, necessary lighting, furniture and branding (backdrop) for the filming of the pre-match interview, coin toss and TV studios if applicable.
- §4 The number of requested ENG positions (with good view of the court) shall be provided upon request from CEV and CEV Sport Media Agency.
- 114.13 Streaming Feed
- §1 In case of a Streaming Feed production, the Organiser shall arrange at its own cost the following requirements:
- a. Implementation and integration of CEV official match TV graphics and corresponding data
- b. RTMP transmission (minimum 2.5mbps) for distribution on CEV digital platforms
- c. Ensure minimum encoder settings below for an optimal display on the CEV digital platforms:
- -Codec: H.264
 - -Resolution: 1280x720p
 - -Bitrate: 3000 kbps CBR
 - -Frame rate: 25 fps
 - -Profile: Main
 - -Level: 3.1
 - -Keyframe Interval: 2 s
 - -B-Frames: 2
 - -Reference Frames: 1
 - -Audio Codec: AAC
 - -Audio Bitrate: 128 kbps

d. Upon request of the CEV, ensure below minimum Streaming Feed quality for the CEV

Commercial partners:

Video:

- Codec: H264
- Bitrate: 600 kbps
- Resolution: 640 x 360
- Frame Rate: 25
- Profile: Main
- Level: 3.1
- Keyframe Interval: 2 seconds

Audio:

- Codec: AAC
- Channels: Stereo
- Sample Rate: 48 KHz
- Bit Rate: 128 kbps

Chapter 20: Miscellaneous

115. WORKFORCE

§1 Media workforce, in particular the Local Media officer, the Local photographer and where applicable the Local videographer is appointed by the Organiser.

116. FACILITIES

§1 Media facilities, in particular the Media tables, Mixed zone, I-Zone, Media working room and where applicable a Media meeting room, are set up by the Organiser.

§2 A request for services and/or facilities by media is provided no later than 2 weeks before the relevant match to the Organiser and/or the CEV Media agency.

117. MEDIA CONTENT

§1 Any content to be used for media purposes is provided copyright free and royalty free according to the CEV instructions.

§2 Upon request from the CEV, the Organiser shall provide any media content to be used for the promotion of the CEV competition and Volleyball. The request shall not imply disproportionate costs or efforts for the Organiser.

118. DOCUMENTS

§1 Various documents are sent to the CEV according to the following table:

Competition	CEV PR-01 form (art. 37.5.2)	Editorial feeds (art.37.5.3)	Media form (art. 37.5.1)	Media kit (art. 37.5.4)
CEV EuroVolley				
Final phase	Yes	2 side stories per team	No	Yes
CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championships				
Final phase	Yes	1 side story per team	No	Yes
Other phases	No	Optional	No	Optional
CEV Volleyball League				
Final phase	Yes	1 side story per team	No	Yes
Other phases	No	Optional	Yes	Optional
CEV Volleyball Champions League				
Final phase	Yes	3 side stories per team	No	Yes
Other phases	Yes	2 side stories per team	Yes	Yes
CEV Volleyball Cup				
Final	Yes	1 side story per team	Yes	Yes
From 1/4 finals until Final	No	1 side story per team	Yes	Optional
Other matches	No	Optional	No	Optional
CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup				
Final	Yes	1 side story per team	Yes	Yes
From 1/4 finals until Final	No	1 side story per team	Yes	Optional
Other matches	No	Optional	No	Optional

119. MIXED ZONE

§1 Team delegation members shall leave the Playing area via the Mixed zone.

120. MEDIA MEETING

120.1 Set-up

§1 A Media meeting may be set before and/or after a level of a CEV competition.

§2 The purpose of such meeting is to give a maximum local, regional, national and international media exposure to such level.

§3 The Media meetings before and after a match are set according to the following table:

CEV competition	Before a match	After a match
CEV EuroVolley		
Final	Yes	Optional
CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championships		
Final	Optional	Optional
Other matches	Optional	Optional
CEV Volleyball European League		
Final phase	Yes	Optional
Other phases	Optional	
CEV Champions League Volley		
Final phase	Yes	Optional
Other phases	Optional	
CEV Volleyball Cup		
Final	Yes	Optional
Other matches	Optional	
CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup		
Final	Yes	Optional
Other matches	Optional	

§4 Before the Final phase of a CEV competition, a Media meeting is set.

120.2 Attendance

§1 Before a Final phase, the following persons should attend the Media meeting:

- a. CEV Officials,
- b. Each Captain and Coach of all Teams,
- c. Organiser,
- d. Local authorities,
- e. Representatives of the Commercial partners.

121. MEDIA CAMPAIGN

§1 Before the start of a CEV competition, a professional national, regional and local media campaign is developed with the purpose to guarantee a maximum media exposure to such competition.

122. MEDIA ON SITE

§1 Information is regularly provided to the media on site before, during and after a match.

123. MEDIA OFF SITE

- §1 At the end of a match, a round up in the local language is distributed to all relevant national, regional and local media.
- §2 Upon request of the CEV, a website or separate section of the already existing Organiser's website dedicated to a level of a CEV competition is designed and developed.

124. SOCIAL AND DIGITAL MEDIA

- §1 Social and digital media, primarily Facebook, Twitter, YouTube and Instagram are used as additional avenues to promote the CEV competition.

125. ACCREDITATION

- §1 Refer to article 89.2

Section 8: Finance

126. GENERAL PROVISIONS

126.1 Financial stability

§1 A National Federation shall investigate its Clubs' financial stability before such Clubs apply to register in a CEV competition. The National Federation should report immediately to the CEV any relevant information. The CEV may then decide to impose additional registration requirements on the Club deemed unstable with the purpose to safeguard the CEV competitions.

126.2 Settlement of debts

§1 In order to be registered in a CEV competition, a Club or a National Federation shall settle its debts towards the CEV, other Clubs and National Federations before the deadline set for the relevant CEV form. Debts taken into consideration are those registered at the CEV.

§2 After such registration deadline, the CEV will verify the payment of all debts related to the CEV competitions. In case of at least one debt to be still paid, the National Federation concerned shall have one last opportunity to pay its debt or its clubs' debts before a deadline communicated to the National Federation.

126.3 Payment of the fees

§1 All the fees will be paid to the CEV in the following bank account, unless otherwise provided:

Bank name: **BGL BNP Paribas**
BIC (swift): **BGLLLULL**
IBAN number: **LU12 0030 4427 2960 1000**

§2 Payment of the fees is made either at the receipt of the invoice or within the deadline set in the Official Communications in case of an absence of invoice.

§3 A National Federation for National Team competitions or a Club for Club competitions shall pay the fees mentioned in this chapter.

§4 Payment should be made through the National Federations and net of any bank charges. The bank transfer shall mention the invoice number, if any.

127. COMPETITION FEES

127.1 Registration fee

§1 The registration fee is a one-time fee paid for each Participant in order to enter a CEV competition.

§2 The amount of the registration fee is according to the following table:

CEV competition	Registration fee	
	In figures	In letters
CEV EuroVolley	0 €	Zero Euro
CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championships	150 €	One hundred and fifty Euros
CEV Volleyball European League – Men or Women (Single Gender) -> 2 consecutive editions	0 €	Zero Euro
CEV Volleyball European League – Men or Women (Single Gender) -> Only one edition	20 000 €	Twenty thousand Euros
CEV Volleyball Cup	100 €	One hundred Euros
CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup	100 €	One hundred Euros

127.2 Licence fee

§1 The licence fee is a one-time fee paid for each Player in order to register such Player in a CEV competition.

§2 The amount of the licence fee in the first registration period is according to the following table:

CEV competition	Licence fee	
	In figures	In letters
CEV EuroVolley	50 €	Fifty Euros
CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championships	0 €	Zero Euros
CEV Volleyball European League	50 €	Fifty Euros
CEV European Cups	50 €	Fifty Euros

§3 The amount of the licence fee in the second registration period is according to the following table:

CEV competition	Licence fee	
	In figures	In letters
CEV Volleyball European League	50 €	Fifty Euros
European Cups	50 €	Fifty Euros
European Cups – Registration criteria art. 33.1§1.	50 €	Fifty Euros
European Cups – Removal of licence art. 33.1§3 a.	50 €	Fifty Euros
European Cups – Removal of licence art. 33.1§3 b.	1,000€	One thousand Euros
European Cups – Removal of licence art. 33.1§3 c.	5,000€	Five thousand Euros
European Cups – Removal of licence art. 33.1§3 d.	20,000€	Twenty thousand Euros
Other CEV competitions	0 €	Zero Euros

127.3 CEV medical insurance fee

§1 The CEV Medical insurance fee is a one-time fee paid, per year, by the CEV for each insured individual.

§2 The Participant shall pay, per year, for the insurance of each member of its Team delegation a fee of 15.50 Euros.

127.4 Organisation fee

§1 The organisation fee is a fee paid in order to organise one or more matches of a CEV competition.

§2 The amount of the organisation fee is according to the following table:

CEV competition	Organisation fee	
	In figures	In letters
CEV Volleyball European League (Home and Away matches)	200 € / match	Two hundred Euros per match
CEV Volleyball European League (Tournaments)	1,200 € / tournament	One thousand and two hundred Euros per tournament
Other CEV competitions	According to Organiser agreement, if any fee	

§3 Notwithstanding the above-mentioned table, for a specific level of a CEV competition, a written agreement between the CEV and the Organiser may require the payment of an organisation fee. The amount of the fee is defined into this written agreement.

127.5 Participation fee

§1 The participation fee is a fee paid in order to participate to a level of a CEV competition it qualified to.

§2 The amount of the participation fee is according to the following table:

CEV competition	Participation fee	
	In figures	In letters
CEV EuroVolley - Final phase	25,000 €	Twenty-five thousand Euros
CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championships - Final phase	700 €	Seven hundred Euros
CEV Volleyball European League	200 € / match	Two hundred Euros per match
CEV Champions League Volley - Semi-finals	10,000 €	Ten thousand Euros
CEV Champions League Volley - Playoff and 1/4 finals	5,000 €	Five thousand Euros
CEV Champions League Volley - 4 th round	25,000 €	Twenty-five thousand Euros
CEV Champions League Volley - Prior to 4 th round	2,000 € / round	Two thousand Euros per round
CEV Volleyball Cup - Final	1500 €	One thousand and five hundred Euros
CEV Volleyball Cup - Semi-finals	1,000€	One thousand Euros
CEV Volleyball Cup - Prior to Semi-finals	160 € / round	One hundred and sixty Euros per round
CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup - Final	1,500 €	One thousand and five hundred Euros
CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup - Semi-finals	1,000€	One thousand Euros
CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup - Prior to Semi-finals	160 € / round	One hundred and sixty Euros per round

127.6 Contribution fee

§1 The contribution fee is a fee paid for each Team delegation member to the Organiser, in order to contribute to its Team delegation accommodation; in some rounds or phases of a CEV competition which are organised as a tournament.

§2 The contribution fee is calculated according to the period of the level of a CEV competition. Such period includes the arrival and departure days. Those days are counted together as one day. The actual Team delegation stay is irrelevant and is not taken into consideration in the calculation of this fee.

§3 The amount of the contribution fee is according to the following table:

CEV competition	Contribution fee	
	In figures	In letters
European League Preliminary Phase	130 €/day	One hundred and thirty Euros per day
European League Final 6	130€/day	One hundred and thirty Euros per day
CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championship	130€/day	One hundred and thirty Euros per day
Other CEV competitions	0 €	Zero Euros

128. ADVERTISING FEES

128.1 Uniform fee

- §1 The Uniform fee is a fee paid per position, per competition and per gender category, in order to display advertisement on the Uniform worn by the Players in the in the Competition area and valid for one calendar year.
- §2 CEV National Federations, being FIVB category 3, 4 or 5 National Federations and participating in the CEV EuroVolley and the CEV Volleyball European League in a same calendar year, shall only pay the uniform fees for the CEV EuroVolley in case the same sponsor logos are used.
- §3 CEV National Federations, being FIVB category 3 National Federations and participating in the CEV EuroVolley and the CEV Volleyball European League in a same calendar year, shall only pay the uniform fees for the CEV EuroVolley.
- §4 CEV National Federations, being FIVB category 1 and 2, are exempted from the payment of the fee.
- §5 The amount of the Uniform fee is according to the following options and table of fees.

128.2 Positioning of sponsor logos on uniform

The following options are applicable for CEV National Team competitions:

Option A:

- o 1st sponsor logo: one block of 300 cm² in front of jersey,
- o 2nd sponsor logo: two blocks of 50 cm² on each jersey sleeve
- o 3rd sponsor logo: one block above the manufacturer logo on shorts

Option B:

- o 1st sponsor logo: one block in front (300 cm²) and in one of the 2 blocks on the sleeve (50 cm²)
- o 2nd sponsor logo: only in one of the 2 blocks (50 cm²)
- o 3rd sponsor logo: one block above the manufacturer logo on shorts

Option C:

- o 1st & 2nd sponsor logo: each 150 cm² in front and 50 cm² on sleeves
- o 3rd sponsor logo: one block above the manufacturer logo on shorts

For the avoidance of doubt, the above three options are according to the FIVB Event regulations. In addition, for European competitions organised by CEV only, each National federation may have up to four commercial partners in total, up to three on the player jersey and up to one on the short, and choose among the options D-F hereafter:

Option D:

- o 1st sponsor logo: 1 block of 300 cm² in front of jersey,
- o 2nd sponsor logo: 1 block of 50 cm² on jersey sleeve or lower front shoulder
- o 3rd sponsor logo: 1 block of 50 cm² on jersey sleeve or lower front shoulder
- o 4th sponsor logo: 1 block of max. 30 cm² above the manufacturer logo on shorts

Option E:

- o 1st & 2nd sponsor: block of each 150 cm² in front of jersey and one of them an additional block of 50 cm² on jersey sleeve or lower front shoulder
- o 3rd sponsor logo: one block of 50 cm² on jersey sleeve or lower front shoulder
- o 4th sponsor logo: one block of max.30 cm² above the manufacturer logo on shorts

Option F:

- o 1st & 2nd sponsor logo: block of each 150 cm² in front of jersey
- o 3rd sponsor logo: 2 blocks of 50 cm² on each jersey sleeve or lower front shoulder
- o 4th sponsor logo: one block of max. 30 cm² above the manufacturer logo on shorts

128.3 Table of fees

Based on the sponsor logo positioning as per Art. 128.2 above, the CEV uniform fees are displayed in the table below:

Sponsor Logo Size & Positioning	National Federation Category	CEV Fees
EuroVolley		
One block of 300 cm ² on jersey front side	Category 4 and 5	5.000 €
	Category 3	2.500 €
One block of 150 cm ² on jersey front side	Category 4 and 5	2.500 €
	Category 3	1.250 €
One block of 50 cm ² on the right sleeve or lower front shoulder	Category 4 and 5	2.000 €
	Category 3	1.000 €
One block of 50 cm ² on the left sleeve or lower front shoulder	Category 4 and 5	2.000 €
	Category 3	1.000 €
One block of max 30 cm ² above the manufacturer logo	Category 4 and 5	2.000 €
	Category 3	1.000 €
U22 AND U20 VOLLEYBALL EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP		
One block of 300 cm ² on jersey front side	Category 4 and 5	1.000 €
	Category 3	500 €
One block of 150 cm ² on jersey front side	Category 4 and 5	500 €
	Category 3	250 €
One block of 50 cm ² on the right sleeve or lower front shoulder	Category 4 and 5	300 €
	Category 3	150 €
One block of 50 cm ² on the left sleeve or lower front shoulder	Category 4 and 5	300 €
	Category 3	150 €
One block of max 30 cm ² above the manufacturer logo	Category 4 and 5	300 €
	Category 3	150 €
U18 AND U16 VOLLEYBALL EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP		
One block of 300 cm ² on jersey front side	Category 4 and 5	500 € (total for all positions)
One block of 150 cm ² on jersey front side		
One block of 50 cm ² on the right sleeve or lower front shoulder		
One block of 50 cm ² on the left sleeve or lower front shoulder	Category 3	250 € (total for all positions)
One block of max 30 cm ² above the manufacturer logo		
CEV VOLLEYBALL EUROPEAN LEAGUE		
One block of 300 cm ² on jersey front side	Category 4 and 5	3000 € (total for all positions)
One block of 150 cm ² on jersey front side		
One block of 50 cm ² on the right sleeve or lower front shoulder		
One block of 50 cm ² on the left sleeve or lower front shoulder	Category 3	500 € (total for all positions)
One block of max 30 cm ² above the manufacturer logo		

129. INTERNATIONAL TRANSFER CERTIFICATE FEES

- §1 International Transfer Certificate fees are fees paid for the issue of an International Transfer Certificate. Such fees are defined according to the following regulations:
- a. With regard to the administration fee to be paid to the FIVB or CEV, article 6 of the FIVB Sports Regulations and articles 1.4 and 1.5 of the FIVB Financial Regulations,
 - b. With regard to the transfer fees to be paid to the National Federations, the CEV Transfer Fee Regulations.

130. ORGANISATION COSTS

130.1 General provisions

- §1 Unless specified otherwise, the Organiser shall bear the costs related to the rights granted and obligations mentioned in these regulations and Official Communications.

130.2 Per diem costs

- §1 The per diem costs are composed of a daily amount paid to CEV Officials and Referees according to their Stay period. Other situations are settled according to the CEV General Regulations.
- §2 The Organiser shall bear the per diem costs. The Organiser proceeds to the payment of the per diem directly to the appointed Official, via cash or via bank transfer/payment, unless otherwise agreed between CEV and the Organiser in writing. The Organiser and the appointed Official are responsible for communicating to each other their financial details.

130.3 Transportation costs

- §1 The transportation costs are only composed of the costs for the elements mentioned in article 73. §1 and §3.
- §2 Transportation costs are borne according to article 130.6 §8 and article 8.2 of the CEV General Regulations.

130.4 Accommodation costs

- §1 The accommodation costs are only composed of the costs for the elements mentioned in article 77. §1.
- §2 Accommodation costs are borne according to article 130.6 §8.

130.5 Visa costs

- §1 The visa costs are only composed of the costs to be paid to the national authorities.
- §2 The person bearing the costs for the return ticket shall bear the visa costs. The person requesting a visa shall bear other costs related to a visa.

130.6 Distribution of costs

- §1 Only the transportation and accommodation costs during the Stay period are covered.
- §2 The National Federation or Club of an Extra-Team Official, observer or replacing Player shall bear the costs related to such individual. The CEV may set a maximal amount for the accommodation costs of these individuals to be requested by the Organiser.
- §3 In case a Match Official or a CEV Official withdraws from its appointment such individual or the relevant National Federation shall bear the costs for its tickets. If this person fails the medical examination, such individual or the relevant National Federation shall bear the costs for the return ticket.
- §4 In case of a Participant withdrawal from a match and an unnecessary displacement of the CEV Officials and referees, the defaulting Participant shall bear for these individuals the transportation and accommodation costs.

- §5 In case a visiting Participant was let the opportunity to choose its hotel and that hotel being more than 30 kilometres from the Competition venue, such Participant shall bear the costs related to local transportation.
- §6 In case of a Competition hall different from the one designated, the Organiser shall bear the costs related to such change.
- §7 In case a Participant arrives at a different arrival and departure venue which is more than 30kms from the one selected by the Organiser, the Organiser shall bear part of the local transportation costs. The amount is as if the Participant had arrived at the arrival and departure venue selected by the Organiser.
- §8 The transportation and accommodation costs are distributed according to the following table:

CEV competition	Transportation costs				Accommodation costs
	73. §1 a	73. §1 b	73. §1 c	73§3	
CEV EuroVolley					
CEV Official	I or NF	Organiser	Organiser		Organiser
Referee	I or NF	Organiser	Organiser		Organiser
Team delegation	I or NF	NF	Organiser		Organiser
CEV Commercial partner					Organiser
CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championships					
CEV Official	I or NF	Organiser	Organiser		Organiser
Referee	I or NF	Organiser	Organiser		Organiser
Team delegation	I or NF	NF	Organiser		Organiser
CEV Volleyball European League					
CEV Official	NF	Organiser	Organiser		Organiser
Referee	NF	Organiser	Organiser		Organiser
Team delegation	I or NF	NF	Organiser		Organiser if tournament NF if no tournament
CEV Commercial partner					Organiser
CEV Champions League Volley					
CEV Official	NF	Organiser	Organiser		Organiser
Referee	NF	Organiser	Organiser		Organiser
Team delegation	I or Club	Club	Organiser		Organiser if tournament Club if no tournament
CEV Commercial partner				Club	Club
CEV Volleyball Cup					
CEV Official	NF	Organiser	Organiser		Organiser
Referee	I	Organiser	Organiser		Organiser
Team delegation	I or Club	Club	Organiser		Club
CEV Commercial partner				Club	Club
CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup					
CEV Official	NF	Organiser	Organiser		Organiser
Referee	I	Organiser	Organiser		Organiser
Team delegation	I or Club	Club	Organiser		Club
CEV Commercial partner				Club	Club

- §9 "I" means the individual, NF means the National Federation of the individual and C means the Club of the individual.

130.7 Broadcasting and production related cost

§1 In case non-exclusive domestic media rights are granted to the Organiser, the latter shall bear the costs in relation to the production and delivery of the Feed (see Chapter 18 art. 111.2).

131. PRIZE MONEY

§1 For each CEV competition, the amount of the prize money is set by the Board of Administration and distributed via the National Federations.

132. ORGANISATION INCOMES

§1 The following incomes are granted to the Organiser:

- a. Ticketing incomes,
- b. Incomes from the Commercial rights granted.

133. PROTEST

§1 A deposit of 300 Euros shall be paid for any protest raised.

134. MISCELLANEOUS

§1 The Organiser shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the CEV and the Participants against any claim, liability, cost, expense, damage, fine and loss which is the consequence of a non-compliance, by the Organiser or its member, Official, representative, employee, individual registered via a licence or under its authority, with these regulations.

§2 National Federations and Clubs shall hold harmless the CEV and other Participants against any claim, liability, cost, expense, damage, fine and loss which is the consequence of a non-compliance, by them or their member, Official, representative, employee, individual registered via a licence or under its authority, with these regulations.

§3 Any claim, liability, cost, expense, damage, fine and loss applied to the CEV, Organiser, National Federation or Club, by Force Majeure, are borne by the damaged person itself.

§4 Tickets for the CEV are granted free of charge.

Section 9: Specific Provisions

Chapter 21: CEV EuroVolley

Within this chapter, "CEV competition" means the CEV EuroVolley.

135. TEAM DELEGATION

- §1 Notwithstanding 21.5 §2, in the Final phase, article 4.1.1 of the Official Volleyball Rules applies.
- §2 A National Federation participating to the CEV competition receive a diploma. The CEV provides the layout of the diplomas.
- §3 The President or Secretary General or Board of Administration member and a Team Media officer shall attend the drawing of lots ceremony of the Final phase.

136. ORGANISER

136.1 Match calendar and schedule

- §1 In the Final phase, the Organiser may:
 - a. Determine the match calendar and match schedule of two matches for each Preliminary pool,
 - b. Avoid that one National Federation plays all of its matches in the Preliminary pools with the same starting time,
 - c. Determine, with the approval of the Jury, the same starting time of its matches in the Preliminary pools.

136.2 Host city

- §1 In case of more than one Organiser, the Preliminary pools are staged as follows:
 - a. Two Organisers: the first and third pools in the first Host country and the second and fourth pools in the second Host country,
 - b. Three Organisers: the first and third pools in the first Host country and each remaining pool in each other Host country.
 - c. Four Organisers: one pool in each Host country.

Chapter 22: CEV U22 Volleyball European Championship

Within this chapter, "CEV competition" means the CEV U22 Men & Women Volleyball European Championship.

137. CEV COMPETITION CALENDAR

§1 In the CEV Age Group European Championship the CEV may allow the Organiser to schedule up to 4 matches per day.

138. PLAYER ELIGIBILITY – REGISTRATION OF PLAYERS IN A CEV COMPETITION

§1 The Player and the National Federation shall fulfil the following additional requirements:

a. A Player is under the age of 22 years old for the men and women competition.

§2 The age is determined on 1st January of the year following the Final round year.

139. TEAM DELEGATION EQUIPMENT

§1 Notwithstanding article 27. §1 the display of the Player's name on the Uniform is optional, except for the Final round where it is mandatory

§2 Notwithstanding article 27. §3 the number of Uniforms for a tournament in all qualification rounds is 2. For the Final round, 3 uniforms are required.

140. ORGANISER

140.1 Facilities

§1 Notwithstanding article 60.3 §1, a maximum of 4 matches per day is organised in a Competition hall.

Chapter 23: CEV U20 Volleyball European Championship

Within this chapter, "CEV competition" means the CEV U20 Men & Women Volleyball European Championship.

141. CEV COMPETITION FORMAT AND CALENDAR

- §1 A CEV U20 Volleyball European League may be organised within the relevant category. The preferred period shall be determined in accordance with Article 13.2 §2.
- §2 In the CEV Age Group European Championship the CEV may allow the Organiser to schedule up to 4 matches per day.

142. PLAYER ELIGIBILITY – REGISTRATION OF PLAYERS IN A CEV COMPETITION

- §1 The Player and the National Federation shall fulfil the following additional requirements:
 - a. A Player is under the age of 20 years old for the men and women competition.
- §2 The age is determined on 1st January of the year following the Final round year.

143. TEAM DELEGATION EQUIPMENT

- §1 Notwithstanding article 27. §1 the display of the Player's name on the Uniform is optional, except for the Final round where it is mandatory
- §2 Notwithstanding article 27. §3 the number of Uniforms for a tournament in all qualification rounds is 2. For the Final round, 3 uniforms are required.

144. ORGANISER

144.1 Facilities

- §1 Notwithstanding article 60.3 §1, a maximum of 4 matches per day is organised in a Competition hall.

Chapter 24: CEV U18 Volleyball European Championship

Within this chapter, "CEV competition" means the CEV U18 Men & Women Volleyball European Championship.

145. CEV COMPETITION FORMAT AND CALENDAR

- §1 A CEV U18 Volleyball European League may be organised within the relevant category. The preferred period shall be determined in accordance with Article 13.2 §2.
- §2 In the Final round, the Organiser may determine the match calendar and Daily match schedule of 3 matches for each Preliminary pool.

146. PLAYER ELIGIBILITY – REGISTRATION OF PLAYERS IN A CEV COMPETITION

- §1 The Player and the National Federation shall fulfil the following additional requirements:
 - a. A Player is under the age of 18 years old for the men and women competition.
- §2 The age is determined on 1st January of the year following the Final round year.

147. TEAM DELEGATION EQUIPMENT

- §1 Notwithstanding article 27. §1 the display of the Player's name on the Uniform is optional, except for the Final round where it is mandatory.
- §2 Notwithstanding article 27. §3 the number of Uniforms for a tournament in all qualification rounds is 2. For the Final round, 3 uniforms are required.

148. ORGANISER

148.1 Facilities

- §1 Notwithstanding article 60.3 §1, a maximum of 4 matches per day is organised in a Competition hall.

Chapter 25: CEV U16 Volleyball European Championship

Within this chapter, "CEV competition" means the CEV U16 Men & Women Volleyball European Championship.

149. CEV COMPETITION CALENDAR

§1 In the Final round, the Organiser may determine the match calendar and Daily match schedule of 3 matches for each Preliminary pool.

150. PLAYER ELIGIBILITY – REGISTRATION OF PLAYERS IN A CEV COMPETITION

§1 The Player and the National Federation shall fulfil the following additional requirements:

a. A Player is under the age of 16 years old for the men and women competition.

§2 The age is determined on 1st January of the year following the Final round year.

151. TEAM DELEGATION EQUIPMENT

§1 Notwithstanding article 27. §1 the display of the Player's name on the Uniform is optional, except for the Final round where it is mandatory.

§2 Notwithstanding article 27. §3 the number of Uniforms for a tournament in all qualification rounds is 2. For the Final round, 3 uniforms are required.

152. ORGANISER

152.1 Facilities

§1 Notwithstanding article 60.3 §1, a maximum of 4 matches per day is organised in a Competition hall.

Chapter 26: CEV Volleyball European League

Within this chapter, "CEV competition" means the CEV Volleyball European League.

153. PARTICIPATION

§1 In accordance with article 19.1, a National Federation applying for its registration to the CEV competition shall not be registered or qualified for the FIVB Volleyball Nations League.

154. ORGANISER

154.1 Printed materials

§1 Notwithstanding article 112.4 §1, each Participant shall produce its accreditation cards in all phases of the CEV competition.

154.2 Media

§1 Two weeks before the start of the CEV competition, a National Federation shall set a Media conference related to its participation to the CEV competition.

155. CEV COMPETITION CALENDAR

§1 The CEV may authorise a change of the match calendar and/or Daily match schedule.

§2 One of the concerned National Federations shall submit a request to the CEV, including the agreement of the other National Federations.

156. REGISTRATION IN A CEV COMPETITION

§1 By registering for the European League, the participating team commits to a binding two-year registration period, covering two following annual editions of the Competition.

§2 Should the team fail to register for the first edition but wish to participate in the second one, a late registration fee will apply as determined in the Article 127.1 §2.

Furthermore, if a team withdraws after registering within this two-year binding period, sanctions will be imposed in accordance with Article 169 §2, point 4.

Chapter 27: CEV Champions League Volley

Within this chapter, "CEV competition" means the CEV Champions League Volley.

157. CALENDAR AND SCHEDULE

§1 Notwithstanding article 13.3 §3 a, in the Final phase, a match starts between 12:00 and 21:00.

158. CEV OFFICIALS

§1 Notwithstanding article 17.2.2 §3, a CEV Supervisor is eligible for an appointment to a match of the CEV competition when the following additional requirement is fulfilled:

- a. When invited, such individual attends the relevant organised seminar.

159. TEAM DELEGATION

§1 Notwithstanding article 21.5 §2, the last paragraph of article 4.1.1 of the Official Volleyball Rules applies *mutatis mutandis*.

§2 In case the CEV collective licence includes the maximum number of Player licences, and the Club wants to add an additional Player licence, such Club shall remove a Player licence. The removed Player licence shall not be included in another CEV collective licence, unless article 33.1 §3 applies.

160. ORGANISER

160.1 Appointment

Reserved.

160.2 Facilities

The competition hall shall follow the requirements of articles 60.4, 60.5 and 60.6.

160.3 Advertising technology

It is mandatory to use a dynamic advertisement system – LED system starting from the 4th Round of the CEV Champions League Volley. The Club shall send in the required LED application form duly filled in by the set deadline in the Official communication.

160.4 Print materials

§1 Notwithstanding article 112.4 §1, in all phases, each Participant shall produce its accreditation cards.

160.5 Media

§1 2 weeks before the start of the CEV competition, a Club shall set a Media conference related to its participation to the CEV competition.

§2 For each match of the CEV competition, one video in front of the backdrop is produced.

§3 During the CEV competition, two Player/Coach portrait articles are produced, based on mutually agreed members of the team.

160.6 Spectator attendance

§1 In accordance with article 19.1, compliance with the average spectator attendance from all matches played at home, starting from the 4th round of the last edition of the CEV competition, is a registration criterion for the next one.

§2 In an edition of the CEV competition, there is a minimum average spectator attendance of 2,000 for men and women.

161. REGISTRATION IN A CEV COMPETITION

- §1 When a National Federation has one or more allocated slots in the Fourth Round, and the National Federation does not apply for one or more. The National Federation will lose the allocated slot per non-registered team for the next edition of the CEV competition.

162. TEAM DELEGATION EQUIPMENT

- §1 Participants shall add the CEV competition badge on the relevant area. Such badge is printed or sewed.

163. EXPLOITATION OF RIGHTS

163.1 Advertising rights

- §1 Notwithstanding article 108.3.3 A) §3, the area on the right sleeve or upper chest right when wearing the shirt, defined as a fourteen centimetres long and fifteen centimetres wide rectangle, is free of any sign capable of being represented graphically.

164. FINANCE

- §1 Notwithstanding article 130.6 §8, in the Final phase, in case a Team delegation is composed of 13 or more Players, the Organiser shall only bear the costs related to 12 Players. The Club shall bear the costs related to the remaining Players.
- §2 Notwithstanding article 127.5 §2, the amount of the participation fee to be paid for the Fourth round is reduced by the amount of the participation fees paid for the First round, Second round and Third round.

Chapter 28: CEV Volleyball Cup

Within this chapter, "CEV competition" means the CEV Volleyball Cup.

165. ORGANISER

165.1 Facilities

§1 The competition hall shall follow the requirements of articles 60.4, 60.5 and 60.6.

166. CEV COMPETITION CALENDAR

166.1 Match calendar and Daily match schedule

§1 The CEV Office may authorise for a valid reason the following:

- a. Prior to the Semi-finals, to switch the order of a "Home and Away" match,
- b. In the 2nd round, to re-schedule a match initially scheduled during the week to the weekend before such week,

The two concerned Clubs and their National Federations shall submit to the CEV, for approval, the relevant CEV forms no later than 15 days before the match.

Chapter 29: CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup

Within this chapter, "CEV competition" means the CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup.

167. CEV COMPETITION CALENDAR

- §1 The CEV Office may authorise for a valid reason the following:
- a. Until the 1/4 finals included, to switch the order of a "Home and Away" match,
 - b. In the 2nd round, to re-schedule a match initially scheduled during the week to the weekend before such week,
 - c. In the 32 Finals only, to play a "Home and Away" match in the Host country of the lowest ranked National Federation, unless agreed otherwise by both Participants, according to the CEV European Cups ranking list.
- §2 The 2 concerned Clubs and their National Federations shall submit to the CEV, for approval, the relevant CEV forms no later than 15 days before the match.

Section 10: Breach of the Regulations

168. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- §1 A breach of these regulations is an offence which will be sanctioned with a financial sanction as mentioned in Art. 169 and/or other sanctions enforced according to the CEV Disciplinary Regulations.
- §2 A breach of the CEV Regulatory Framework may also have as consequence a denial of the application, submission, registration or request of the relevant person.

169. FINANCIAL SANCTIONS

- §1 The amount of a financial sanction is determined according to the following criteria:
- The relevant CEV competition in which the failure happens,
 - The level of the CEV competition in which the failure happens,
 - The gravity of the failure,
 - The minimum and maximum amounts mentioned in the below table.

- §2 The amount of a financial sanction is according to the following table:

Breach of the CEV Volleyball Regulations	Amount of the Financial sanction	
	Minimum	Maximum
1. Information and data		
1.1 Failure to provide a CEV form	350 €	1,400 €
1.2 Failure to ensure the accurate collection and delivery of live e-Scoresheet and Data Volley 4 match data during a match	500 €	2,000 €
1.3 Failure to upload Data Volley 4 data and video files to Video Sharing	1,000 €	2,000 €
1.4 Failure to provide e-Scoresheet Tablets during a match	1,000 €	2,000 €
1.5 Failure to use IT devices in a match that meet or exceed the minimum CEV specifications	1,000 €	2,000 €
1.6 Failure to provide a document or item	350 €	2,800 €
1.7 Failure to provide accurate information	1,400 €	28,000 €
1.8 Failure to provide needed facilities and resources for betting data collection	500 €	2,000 €
2. Person		
2.1 Failure to fulfil a profile	350 €	700 €
2.2 Failure to fulfil a duty	350 €	1,400 €
2.3 Failure to attend a meeting, event or match	350 €	2,100 €
2.4 Failure to attend the drawing of lots of the final phase of the CEV EuroVolley	5,000 €	
2.5 Failure to abstain from action or behaviour	350 €	700 €
3. Exploitation of rights		
3.1 Failure to provide the layout of a printed material	350 €	350 €
3.2 Failure to comply with the graphics	3,500 €	50,000 €
3.3 Failure to comply with the layout of a printed material	3,500 €	25,000 €
3.4 Failure to comply with the court layout	1,400 €	50,000 €
3.5 Failure to comply with advertisement over a specific height	700 €	25,000 €
3.6 Failure to comply with advertisement on the net and posts	3,500 €	50,000 €

3.7 Failure to comply with advertisement on banners	3,500 €	50,000 €
3.8 Failure to comply with the CEV brand exclusivity	1,400 €	100,000 €
3.9 Failure to comply with the LED system pro-rata timing set-up	10,000 €	100,000 €
3.10 Failure to comply with a granted right	3,500 €	100,000 €
3.11 Failure to provide the LED system application form within the set deadline.	1,000 €	2,000 €
4. Withdrawal		
<i>CEV EuroVolley</i>		
4.3 Qualified for the Final round	150,000 €	150,000 €
Breach of the CEV Volleyball Regulations	Amount of the Financial sanction	
	Minimum	Maximum
<i>CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championships</i>		
4.4 After registration deadline of the competition	500 €	500 €
4.5 Qualified for 2nd Round	10,000 €	50,000 €
4.6 Qualified for the Final round	75,000 €	75,000 €
<i>CEV Volleyball European League</i>		
4.7 From registration of the team to the last match day of the League phase	50,000 €	50,000 €
4.8 After the team last match day of the League phase	100,000 €	100,000 €
<i>CEV Champions League Volley</i>		
4.9 Before the drawings of lots of the Main phase	50,000 €	50,000 €
4.10 Before the team last match day of the 1/4 finals	100,000 €	100,000 €
4.11 After the team last match day of the 1/4 finals	150,000 €	150,000 €
<i>CEV Volleyball Cup and CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup</i>		
4.12 Before the drawing of lots of the 1 st round	1,400 €	1,400 €
4.13 Before the team last match day of the 1/4 Finals	20,000 €	20,000 €
4.14 After the team last match day of the 1/4 Finals	100,000 €	100,000 €
5. Team		
5.1 Failure to fulfil the number of Players in the team delegation	1,500 € per Player	10,000 € per Player
5.2 Failure to fulfil a Uniform requirement	3,000 €	10,000 €
6. Media		
6.1 Failure to provide a Media requirement	1,500 €	10,000 €
6.2 Failure to fulfil the Internet requirements	5,000 €	20,000 €
6.3 Failure to make requested player(s) or coach available for a CEV TV or Media Activity (including digital live shows, press conferences, pre, post and flash match interviews access to locker rooms & coin toss scene)	10,000 €	60,000 €
6.4 Failure to provide a photographer or videographer	2,500 €	25,000 €
6.5 Failure to comply with camera's positions	5,000 €	50,000 €
6.6 Failure to fulfil a production requirement	5,000 €	100,000 €
6.7 Failure to fulfil a broadcasting requirement	15,000 €	100,000 €
6.8 Failure to provide a digital recording	1,500 €	10,000 €
6.9 Failure to provide a video clip or highlight sequences	5,000 €	50,000 €
7. Technical organisation		
7.1 Failure to comply with the Competition area dimension	2,500 €	50,000 €
7.2 Failure to comply with the Official match protocol	1,000 €	25,000 €

7.3 Failure to comply with the prescribed Volleyball	10,000 €	100,000 €
7.4 Failure to comply with the sport floor	15,000 €	100,000 €
7.5 Failure to comply with the playing surface	10,000 €	50,000 €
7.6 Failure to use the LED system with the CEV agreement	2,500 €	50,000 €
7.7 Failure to provide LUX requirements	10,000 €	100,000 €
7.8 Failure to provide same conditions as in match during a training session	1,000 €	10,000 €
7.9 Failure to provide a team with a training session	1,500 €	15,000 €
7.10 Failure to fulfil a flag requirement	250 €	5,000 €
7.11 Failure to comply with spectator attendance	5,000 €	20,000 €
7.12 Failure to provide a Challenge System	15,000 €	100,000 €
7.13 Failure to provide LiteScore	1,000 €	5,000 €
7.14 Failure to provide Wireless Headsets	1,000 €	5,000 €
7.15 Failure to provide in-venue display solutions including video with scoreboard, video scoreboard, large live video display and mega size shaped video display	5,000 €	20,000 €
7.16 Failure to provide Volley board	2,500 €	10,000 €
8. Others		
8.1 Failure to comply with a provision of an Organiser Agreement	500 €	100,000 €

- §3 In case of a late - after the correct or expected time or deadline - performance or late success of an expected or required action mentioned in these regulations, the amounts stated in the above table are reduced by half.
- §4 A CEV form is any CEV form mentioned in these regulations or Official communications and sent by a Participant or the Organiser to the CEV.
- §5 The match data are any data included either in the E-scoresheet or the statistics file of a match.
- §6 A required document or item is any document or item mentioned in these regulations or Official communications and sent by the Participants or the Organiser to the CEV.
- §7 When applying the provisions in §2, the CEV shall refer to the provision(s) which it considers to have been specifically infringed.

Section 11: Annexes

Chapter 30: CEV National Team ranking list

170. CEV NATIONAL TEAM RANKING LIST – MEN OR WOMEN (ENTERING IN FORCE FROM 01.01.2022) CALUCLATING THE COMPETITIONS FROM JANUARY 2019

The CEV National Team Ranking List is determined by the application of the FIVB World Ranking system in matches between teams affiliated to the CEV during all official matches and sets played in recognised official competitions.

171. CEV NATIONAL TEAM RANKING LIST – U22 MEN & WOMEN

171.1 Volleyball competitions

- §1 The Volleyball competitions taken into consideration are:
- a. The two last editions of the CEV Volleyball European Championship

171.2 Allocation of points

171.2.1 CEV Volleyball European Championship

- §1 The number of points allocated in the Final Round is according to the following principles:
- a. The highest ranked National Federation is allocated 100 points,
 - b. Each next best ranked National Federation is allocated a number of points equalling the number of points of the previous best ranked National Federation, minus 2 points.
 - c. The final ranking of the teams in the same position in each pool and not qualified to the knockouts, is determined according to article 14.2.3 § 4.

- §2 The number of points allocated during the qualification process is according to the following table:

CEV Volleyball European Championship U22 Men & Women	Points
Qualification Phase	
2 nd best ranked in each pool	58
3 rd best ranked in each pool	56
4 th best ranked in each pool	54
Pre-Qualification phase (if played)	
Next best ranked in each pool not qualified to Qualification Phase	34
2 nd Best ranked in each pool not qualified to Qualification Phase	32
3 rd best ranked in each pool not qualified to Qualification Phase	30
4 th best ranked in each pool not qualified to Qualification Phase	28

172. CEV NATIONAL TEAM RANKING LIST – U20 MEN & WOMEN

172.1 Volleyball competitions

- §1 The Volleyball competitions taken into consideration are:
- a. The two last editions of the CEV Volleyball European Championship,

172.2 Allocation of points

172.2.1 CEV Volleyball European Championship

- §1 The number of points allocated in the Final Round is according to the following principles:
- a. The highest ranked National Federation is allocated 100 points,

- b. Each next best ranked National Federation is allocated a number of points equalling the number of points of the previous best ranked National Federation, minus 2 points.
 - c. The final ranking of the teams in the same position in each pool and not qualified to the knockouts, is determined according to article 14.2.3 § 4.
- §2 The number of points allocated during the qualification process and the CEV U20 Volleyball European League is according to the following table:

CEV Volleyball European Championship U20 Men & Women	Points
CEV U20 Volleyball European League	
Best ranked team	68
2 nd best ranked team	66
3 rd best ranked team	64
4 th best ranked team	62
5 th best ranked team	60
6 th best ranked team	58
7 th best ranked team	56
8 th best ranked team	54
Qualification 2 nd Round	
2 nd best ranked in each pool	52
3 rd best ranked in each pool	50
4 th best ranked in each pool	84
Qualification 1 st Round (played in Zones)	
Next best ranked in each pool not qualified to 2 nd round	34
2 nd Best ranked in each pool	32
3 rd best ranked in each pool	30
4 th best ranked in each pool	28
5 th best ranked in each pool not qualified to 2 nd round	26
6 th best ranked in each pool not qualified to 2 nd round	24
7 th best ranked in each pool not qualified to 2 nd round	22

173. CEV NATIONAL TEAM RANKING LIST – U18 MEN & WOMEN

173.1 Volleyball competitions

- §1 The Volleyball competitions taken into consideration are:
- a. The two last editions of the CEV Volleyball European Championship,

173.2 Allocation of points

173.2.1 CEV Volleyball European Championship

- §1 The number of points allocated in the Final Round is according to the following principles:
- a. The highest ranked National Federation is allocated 100 points,
 - b. Each next best ranked National Federation is allocated a number of points equalling the number of points of the previous best ranked National Federation, minus 2 points.
 - c. The final ranking of the teams in the same position in each pool and not qualified to the knockouts, is determined according to article 14.2.3 § 4.
- §2 The number of points allocated during the qualification process and the CEV U18 Volleyball European League is according to the following table:

CEV Volleyball European Championship U18 Men & Women	Points
CEV U18 Volleyball European League	
Best ranked team	68
2 nd best ranked team	66

3 rd best ranked team	64
4 th best ranked team	62
5 th best ranked team	60
6 th best ranked team	58
7 th best ranked team	56
8 th best ranked team	54
Qualification 2nd Round	
2 nd best ranked in each pool	52
3 rd best ranked in each pool	50
4 th best ranked in each pool	48
Qualification 1st Round (played in Zones)	
Next best ranked in each pool not qualified to 2 nd round	34
2 nd best ranked in each pool not qualified to 2 nd round	32
3 rd next best ranked in each pool not qualified to 2 nd round	30
4 th next best ranked in each pool not qualified to 2 nd round	28
5 th next best ranked in each pool not qualified to 2 nd round	26
6 th next best ranked in each pool not qualified to 2 nd round	24
7 th next best ranked in each pool not qualified to 2 nd round	22

174. CEV NATIONAL TEAM RANKING LIST – U16 MEN & WOMEN

174.1 Volleyball competitions

- §1 The Volleyball competitions taken into consideration are:
- a. The two last editions of the CEV Volleyball European Championship,

174.2 Allocation of points

174.2.1 CEV Volleyball European Championship

- §1 The number of points allocated in the Final Round is according to the following principles:
- a. The highest ranked National Federation is allocated 100 points,
 - b. Each next best ranked National Federation is allocated a number of points equalling the number of points of the previous best ranked National Federation, minus 2 points.
 - c. The final ranking of the teams in the same position in each pool and not qualified to the knockouts, is determined according to article 14.2.3 § 4.
- §2 The number of points allocated during the qualification process is according to the following table:

CEV Volleyball European Championship U16 Women or Men	Points
Qualification 2nd Round	
2 nd best ranked in each pool	58
3 rd best ranked in each pool	56
4 th best ranked in each pool	54
Qualification 1st Round (played in Zones)	
Next best ranked in each pool not qualified to 2 nd round	34
2 nd next best ranked in each pool not qualified to 2 nd round	32
3 rd next best ranked in each pool not qualified to 2 nd round	30
4 th next best ranked in each pool not qualified to 2 nd round	28
5 th next best ranked in each pool not qualified to 2 nd round	26
6 th next best ranked in each pool not qualified to 2 nd round	24
7 th next best ranked in each pool not qualified to 2 nd round	22

Chapter 31: CEV European Cups ranking list

175. PRINCIPLES

- §1 The CEV National Federations ranking list for European Cups ranking list establishment is based on the following elements:
- The number of Club competitions,
 - The maximum number of Clubs in all Club competitions,
 - The maximum number of Clubs in each Club competition.
- §2 The CEV European Cups ranking list establishment is based on the following principles:
- The ranking calculation method should be as simple as possible,
 - The ranking calculation result should be as fair as possible,
 - The ranking of a National Federation is determined by the number of points allocated to one or more of the Clubs of this National Federation,
 - Allocation of points is determined by the Clubs sport results,
 - Only the results of the three last seasons of each Club competition system are considered,

176. ALLOCATION OF POINTS

176.1 General provisions

- §1 Two kinds of points are allocated to a Club: Bonus points and Competition-related points.
- §2 In case of a withdrawal, points are allocated as follows:
- No Bonus points and Competition-related points are allocated to the defaulting Club for the Club competition edition,
 - The opponent Club is considered to have played the match, and the Bonus points are allocated accordingly,
 - The opponent Club is considered to have won the match, and the Competition-related points are allocated accordingly,
 - Points b and c are applied for each match scheduled in the level with the defaulting Club.

176.2 Bonus points

- §1 The number of Bonus points allocated is determined according to the CEV competition, status of such competition and number of levels played by the Club.
- §2 Bonus points are allocated for a level when a Club is playing a match of such level, regardless of the way it reaches this level.
- §3 Allocation of the Bonus points is according to the following table:

Club competition	Points allocated on 1 st round	Points allocated per round after 1 st round
CEV Champions League Volley	10	8
CEV Volleyball Cup	5	5
CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup	2	3

176.3 Competition-related points

- §1 The number of Competition-related points allocated depends on the result of a match and the competition method used for the level.
- §2 Competition-related points are allocated for a match when a Club plays such match.

§3 Allocation of the Competition-related points per level is according to the following table:

Competition method	Match lost	Match won	Total of point(s) in a level
Knock-out with a single-leg match	1	2	Point(s) of the one leg lost or won
Knock-out with a "Home and Away" match	1	2	Points of the two legs lost and/or won
Round robin with a single-leg match	1	2	Points of the matches lost and/or won divided by the Club matches number played in the round
Round robin with a "Home and Away" match	1	2	Points of the matches lost and/or won divided by half of the Club matches number played in the round

177. RANKING OF NATIONAL FEDERATIONS

- §1 The ranking of a National Federation is according to the sum of the Bonus points and Competition-related points, over the four last editions of the CEV competition but excluding the last one, of the following Clubs:
- a. In the CEV Champions League Volley: all the Clubs of this National Federation,
 - b. In the CEV Volleyball Cup and Challenge Cup: All the clubs of this National Federation.
- §2 In case of a withdrawal of the best ranked Club, the second-best ranked Club of the National Federation in the same CEV competition is taken into account.
- §3 National Federations are ranked in descending order according to the above-mentioned sum of points.

Section 12 : Change control list

No.	Art. VBCR	Proposer	Topic	Proposal	Remarks
1	55, §1	ERC	Arrival time of Referees for CEV Competitions	<p>§1 The table defining the Stay Period to be changed for the the Category "Other CEV Officials and Referees", so Referees can arrive on site by 22:00 instead of by 18:00.</p> <p>Potentially to create a separate line for Referees and Challenge Referees, so the change will not be applicable to other CEV Officials (i.e. Medical Delegate)</p> <p>(see annex 1 for changes)</p>	§1 table to be amended
2	40.2, §6	ERC	Nomination of Challenge Referee	<p>§6 Specific Challenge Referees are appointed by the ERC according to the following table</p> <p>(see annex 2 for changes)</p>	§6 table to be amended

Annex 1:

CEV Competition	Arrival Date	
	Final Phase	Other phases
CEV EuroVolley and CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championships		
Referees, & Challenge Referees (if CR appointed)	2 days before the phase	The day before their match, before 15:00 22:00
CEV Volleyball European League		
Referees, & Challenge Referees (if CR appointed)	The day before the match, before 18:00 22:00	
CEV Champions League Volley		
Referees, & Challenge Referees (if CR appointed)	The day before the phase, before 18:00 22:00	The day before the match, before 18:00 22:00
CEV Volleyball Cup and CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup		
Referees, & Challenge Referees (if CR appointed)	The day before the match, before 18:00 22:00	The day before the match, before 18:00 22:00

Annex 2:

CEV Competition	Nomination of a Challenge Referee
EuroVolley	
Final Phase	YES (1 per venue)
CEV Volleyball European League	
Final Phase (Final 4) or Final Matches (H-A)	YES
League Round	YES (when the challenge used)
CEV Champions League Volley	
From 1/4 Finals Playoffs	YES
Other phases	-
CEV Volleyball Cup	
From 1/4 Finals Playoffs	YES
Other phases	-
CEV Volleyball Challenge Cup	
Final Matches H-A	YES
Other phases	-

No.	Art. VCR	Proposer	Topic	Proposal	Remarks
1	95.7	Data dep.	Betting Data Collection	add the words “The organiser shall provide free-of-charge facilities and resources by CEV appointed collection partner, for betting data, as specified in the Official Communications”	It is new paragraph. After IMG was acquired by Sportradar, they want to start collecting the betting data themselves, but we have to provide the needed facilities
2	169. §2 1.2	Data dep.	Data Collection	For “Failure to ensure the accurate collection and delivery of live e-Scoresheet and Data Volley 4 match data during a match” change from “Minimum 3,000 € - Maximum 5,000 €” to “Minimum 500 € - Maximum 2,000 €”	It is correction. As e-Scoresheet data might be provided in a different way, the sanctions are lowered, as this results in lower financial losses for CEV.
3	169. §2 1.8	Data dep.	Betting Data Collection	add the words “Failure to provide needed facilities and resources for betting data collection Minimum 500 € - Maximum 2,000 €”	It is new paragraph. As the betting data collection approach differs from previous ones, it requires separation, and failure to provide the required resources results in financial losses for CEV.

No.	Art. VBCR	Proposer	Topic	Proposal	Remarks
1.	46.3	EMC	Medical Certificate for CEV Officials	For the EMC members/Medical Delegates, the M7-form (Medical Form) to be replaced by “self-declaration of capability” §1 The medical doctor, who performs the medical examination, shall complete the CEV health certificate - CEV M-7 form - and sign it. §2 Each individual subject to the medical examination shall provide the CEV with such certificate before the end of the month of December. Such certificate becomes null and void one calendar year after its issue. §3 “For the EMC Members/Medical Delegates, the M7-form can be replaced by a “self-declaration of capability”, meaning the M7-form can be signed by themselves.”.	Add §3
2.	45.3.2. B)	EMC	Breath Analysis	The machine to perform the breath test must be available at all CEV Competitions halls. When there is a Referee Coach and a CEV Supervisor, the decision of doing breath tests rests on both. In any case, the ultimate decision lies with the CEV Supervisor. <i>B) Breath analysis</i> §1 Before a match and in case of a CEV Medical Delegate or CEV Referee Coach	Add §5 and §6

No.	Art. VBCR	Proposer	Topic	Proposal	Remarks
				<p><i>appointed, a Match Official, upon request by such CEV Official, may undertake a breath analysis in the presence of such CEV Official.</i></p> <p><i>§2 The breath analysis verifies the absence of intoxication.</i></p> <p><i>§3 In case the second test is also positive, the CEV Referee Coach shall change such Match Official.</i></p> <p><i>§4 This Match Official may contest the results and request the conduction of a blood test.</i></p> <p><i>§5 The machine to perform the breath test must be available at all CEV Competitions halls.</i></p> <p><i>§6 When there is a Referee Coach appointed, the decision to undertake a breath analysis is made jointly by the Referee Coach and the CEV Supervisor. In all cases, the ultimate decision lies with the CEV Supervisor.</i></p>	
1.	79.	EMC	Nutrition	<p>For all CEV competitions, the EMC to receive the menu at least one week in advance from the organisers (to medical@cev.eu).</p> <p>79. NUTRITION</p> <p><i>§1 The following is provided:</i></p> <p><i>a. 3 meals per day: breakfast, lunch and dinner,</i></p> <p><i>b. 2 warm meals per day,</i></p> <p><i>c. Adequate quantity of mineral water in closed bottles without gas and soft drinks; during and after a meal, match and training session.</i></p> <p><i>§2 Team delegations, CEV Officials and referees are provided the meals available at their arrival and departure hours.</i></p> <p><i>§3 During the day of a match, before or after such match, an additional light snack is provided.</i></p> <p><i>§4 Requirements of article 48 are fulfilled.</i></p> <p><i>§5 The menus for the teams have to be communicated by the organiser(s) to the EMC at least one week in advance (medical@cev.eu) for review and approval.</i></p>	§5 to be added
2.	43.2 5 b	EMC	Role of the Medical Delegate	<p><i>b. To monitor the Testing without carrying out or assisting with duties,</i></p> <p>To be replaced by</p> <p><i>b. The Medical Delegate must check that the Doping Control Station (DCS) facilities are ready upon their arrival.</i></p>	Change the point b.
3.	44.2	EMC	Doping Controls	<i>By the CEV</i>	All the paragraph to be replaced

No.	Art. VBCR	Proposer	Topic	Proposal	Remarks
				<p>§1 Pursuant to the authority of the FIVB, the CEV is the Testing Authority in a CEV competition.</p> <p>§2 In accordance with the Word Anti-Doping Agency Code, the CEV contracts the Sample collection, handling and transport to the National Anti-Doping Organisation of the Host country.</p> <p>§3 In accordance with the FIVB test distribution plan, the CEV decides about the Testing to be conducted in a CEV competition.</p> <p>§4 Results of the sample analysis are provided no later than 7 days after the end of the round. By an Anti-Doping Organisation</p> <p>§1 In case an Anti-Doping Organisation wants to conduct Testing at a CEV competition, it shall obtain the CEV approval.</p> <p>§2 Upon CEV approval or a World Anti-Doping Agency decision, the National Federations or Clubs shall act accordingly.</p> <p>To be replaced by</p> <p><i>Based on the agreement between CEV, FIVB and ITA the complete management of the doping control is fully organised and monitored by ITA. The role of the Medical Delegate in that process is described above, in 43.2 5 b.</i></p>	
4.	45.3.2 A 1	EMC	Health control during a CEV Competition	<p>§1 During a CEV competition, as early as possible after the arrival of each Referee at the Competition venue and in case of a CEV Medical Delegate appointed, such referee shall undertake a medical examination done by the local doctor, under the supervision of CEV Medical Delegate.</p>	Add the last part of the sentence (the medical examination to be done by the local doctor, under the supervision of the CEV Medical Delegate.

No.	Art. VBCR	Proposer	Topic	Proposal	Remarks
1.	Art.60.4 §3 Art. 60.4 §4	VB Dept.	Categories of Competition halls	<p>§3 In duly justified cases, the CEV may grant an exceptional approval to a Club to participate in a European Cup competition, notwithstanding non-compliance with certain organisational or infrastructural requirements, provided that the integrity and safety of the competition are not jeopardised. Exceptional approval may be considered, inter alia, in the following circumstances:</p> <p>a) the Club is a new participant in a European Cup competition;</p> <p>b) the Club's regular competition hall is temporarily unavailable due to renovation, reconstruction, or upgrading works, or where the Club has formally committed to meeting</p>	To introduce a formal framework for granting exceptional approvals in clearly defined and justified circumstances, while ensuring time-limited validity and enforceable commitments to safeguard competition standards.

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				<p>the applicable requirements by the following season;</p> <p>c) geographical constraints, in particular where the Club is located on an island and logistical limitations objectively affect compliance.</p> <p>§4 Any exceptional approval granted by the CEV may be subject to one or more of the following conditions:</p> <p>a) a defined validity period, limited in time;</p> <p>b) a formal commitment by the Club to upgrade or adapt the facility within a specified deadline;</p> <p>c) submission of evidence demonstrating ongoing improvements, construction works, or approved development plans.</p>	
2.	Art.83§4	VB Dept.	Preliminary Inquiry	<p>§4 The Team manager shall present to the relevant CEV Official the following elements:</p> <p>a. For each Team delegation member:</p> <p>i. The FIVB Anti-Doping education programme certificate,</p> <p>ii. The FIVB Competition Manipulation Course certificate,</p> <p>iii. The Safeguarding course</p> <p>iii. The accreditation card.</p>	Update on FIVB mandatory certificate from 2026
3.	Art.14.2.1 §2	VB Dept.	Knock-out competition method	<p>§2 In a “Home and Away” match, the winner is the Participant who wins both matches.</p>	SUBJECT TO CEV BoA APPROVAL EVC proposes a new knock-out competition method in which only match victories are taken into account. This approach will further enhance the interest and competitiveness of all matches until the very end.
4.	Art.14.2.2	VB Dept.	Knock-out competition method	<p>In a “Home and Away” match, there is a tie between the 2 Participants when each Participant has the same number of matches won. In case of a tie, the Golden set procedure is used. The Golden set is played as 1 tie break set of 15 points, with a minimum 2 points lead achieved, between the 2 Participants in a tie. The Golden Set shall be seen as a continuation of the respective match. All Players or Team Officials, who have been sanctioned by disqualification in the match which has just ended, shall be removed from the e-scoresheet of the Golden Set. These persons are not available and cannot be replaced by anybody else.</p>	SUBJECT TO CEV BoA APPROVAL EVC proposes a new knock-out competition method in which only match victories are taken into account. This approach will further enhance the interest and competitiveness of all matches until the very end.

No.	Art. VBCR	Proposer	Topic	Proposal	Remarks
5.	Art.172.2.1 §2	VB Dept.	CEV National Team Ranking List – U20 Men & Women	The number of points allocated during the qualification process and 2nd Tier Final Round is according to the following table: APPENDIX 1	SUBJECT TO CEV BoA APPROVAL Further to the approval of the 2nd Tier Final Round approval in November. The allocation of points is proposed in the table in appendix 1.
6.	Art.173.2.1	VB Dept.	CEV National Team Ranking List – U18 Men & Women	The number of points allocated during the qualification process and 2nd Tier Final Round is according to the following table: APPENDIX 2	SUBJECT TO CEV BoA APPROVAL Further to the approval of the 2nd Tier Final Round approval in November. The allocation of points is proposed in the table in appendix 2.
7.	Art.141.§1	VB Dept.	CEV Competition Format And Calendar	§1 A Second-Tier Final Round Competition may be organized within the relevant category. The preferred period shall be determined in accordance with Article 13.2 §2. §2 In the CEV Age Group European Championship the CEV may allow the Organiser to schedule up to 4 matches per day.	SUBJECT TO CEV BoA APPROVAL Further to the approval of the 2nd Tier Final Round approval in November.
8.	Art.145.§1	VB Dept.	CEV Competition Format And Calendar	§1 A Second-Tier Final Round Competition may be organized within the relevant category. The preferred period shall be determined in accordance with Article 13.2 §2. §2 In the CEV Age Group European Championship the CEV may allow the Organiser to schedule up to 4 matches per day.	SUBJECT TO CEV BoA APPROVAL Further to the approval of the 2nd Tier Final Round approval in November.
No.	Art. VBCR	Proposer	Topic	Proposal	Remarks
1.	Chapter 5, Section 34.4	Mktg Dept.	Team accessories	Replace paragraph 3 by the following sentences: 34.4. Team accessories 1. The Track suits or any other clothes clothing worn by Players in the training hall or Competition hall shall fulfil the requirements of the Uniform meet the Uniform requirements. 2. Compression pads are approved but are required to be of the same colour design as the Uniform. No padding is allowed in the forearm compression pads compression forearm guards, as it provides advantages to the Players' performances. Neutral colours, black or white are acceptable. Teams using compression pads shall be uniform in colour / design for all Players.	

No.	Art. VBCR	Proposer	Topic	Proposal	Remarks
				<p>3. Any accessories cannot display any advertising without prior CEV approval. Any manufacturer's logo displayed on accessories must not exceed 6 cm².</p> <p>4. Any manufacturer's logo displayed on accessories cannot be greater than 6cm². No accessories may contain any other advertising.</p>	
2.	Chapter 18 Art. 108.3.1.	Mktg. Dept.		<p>Delete in the following paragraphs: §2 When taking part in a CEV competition, a Team delegation member shall only carry advertisement which has been approved by the CEV. §3 A Team delegation member shall not carry any advertisement on the body, clothes or any other accessories which have not been approved by the CEV (location, layout, etc.)</p>	Clarify the recurring issue with advertising on compression pads or the like

