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Welcome to the CEV Beach Volleyball Competitions Regulations. This is the main document regulating all CEV Beach 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 CEV Board of Administration decisions.

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

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 CEV Board of Administration approvals, and changes will only come into force from the start of the next season; unless it is applied on a voluntary basis or if there is no negative financial impact.

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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 to such competitions.
- §2 For a specific level of a CEV competition, a written agreement between the CEV and an Organiser may depart from these regulations. The CEV informs the relevant CEV stakeholders, if necessary.
- §3 Official Communications complement these regulations. Guidelines, handbooks and instructions detail and 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 Beach 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 such 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. FINANCIAL ASPECTS

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

5. DEADLINES

- §1 A deadline is the time limit for the fulfilment of a requirement.
- §2 Unless specified otherwise, 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.

6. AMENDMENTS

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

7. 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 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 "Centre court" means the main Court used for the CEV competition.
- §6 "CEV Age Group Beach Volleyball European Championships" means the following CEV competitions considered altogether, where there is an age restriction on the Player registration:
- The CEV U22 Beach Volleyball European Championship,
 - The CEV U20 Beach Volleyball European Championship,
 - The CEV U18 Beach Volleyball European Championship.
- §7 "CEV competition" means one of the following competitions, composed of Beach Volleyball matches and any side event or meeting approved by the CEV and related to such competitions:
- The CEV Beach Volleyball European Championship - CEV EuroBeachVolley,
 - CEV Queen & King of the Court – European Finals
 - CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup
 - The CEV Beach Volley European Cup (Beach Volleyball Clubs competition)
 - The CEV Youth Beach Volleyball Continental Cup
 - The CEV Age Group Beach Volleyball European Championships,"CEV competition identification marker" means one of the following, but not limited to:
 - The CEV competition title,
 - The CEV competition logo,
 - The CEV competition mascot,
 - The CEV competition trophy,
 - The CEV competition anthem.
- §8 "CEV identification marker" means one of the following:
- The CEV name written in full: "Confédération Européenne de Volleyball",
 - The CEV name anagram: "CEV",
 - The CEV logo,
 - The CEV flag.
- §9 "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.
- §10 "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.
- §11 "CEV Sport Media Agency" means the sport marketing agency appointed by the CEV as exclusive media rights distribution partner and broadcaster services provider."
- §12 "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 or Commercial partner.
- §13 "Commercial partner" means a party which is not a National Federation, under written agreement with the CEV, which was granted by the CEV all or part of the Commercial rights.

- §14 “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 or Organiser by the CEV only, including without limitation, the Media rights, Betting Rights, Data Rights, Advertising rights and Intellectual Property rights.
- §15 “Competition area” means the area composed of the Competition/Control area and the Playing area.
- §16 “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 Beach Volleyball Rules.
- §17 “Court” means the area included in the Venue and composed of a Competition area and possibly a structure where spectators stay to watch a match of the CEV competition.
- §18 “Data Rights” mean all statistical and information rights, including but not limited to live score, statistics, event information, player information, player tracker, biometrical player data and any other match or event related data that are measured, collected and compiled by the CEV during the CEV Competitions, including in the Playing Area via the CEV E-scoresheet, the CEV Statistics and any tracking data applications that are developed by CEV 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.
- §19 “FIVB” means the Fédération Internationale de Volleyball.
- §20 “Force Majeure” means any causes which are beyond control of the CEV, Organiser, National Federation and/or any entities under agreement with the above mentioned parties; and which could not be avoided by exercise of due care.
- §21 “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 Beach Volleyball Rules.
- §22 “Host city” means the city, in the Host country, where a CEV competition is organised.
- §23 “Host country” means the territory where a National Federation has primary authority to administer and govern all forms of Volleyball and where a CEV competition is organised.
- §24 “Intellectual Property rights” means each, any and all rights to use and exploit the CEV and the CEV competition identification markers.
- §25 “Match official” means an individual appointed by the CEV or a National Federation to 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. Scorer,
 - d. Assistant scorer
 - e. Line judge,
 - f. Challenge Referee,
 - g. The First referee, Second referee, Challenge Referee (where applicable), Reserve Referee (where applicable), Scorer and Line judge are called together Refereeing team.
 - h. The First referee and Second referee are called together referees.
- §26 “Media Rights” means 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.

- §27 For the avoidance of any doubt:
- §28 -Domestic media rights means the media rights confined in the Host Country.
- §29 -International media rights means the worldwide media rights, except for the domestic media rights.”
- §30 “National Technical Official” means an individual appointed by a National Federation and acknowledged by the CEV to 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. Referee under the Local referees quota | f. Scoreboard assistant, |
| b. Scorer also called E-scorer, | g. Court manager, |
| c. Assistant scorer also called Assistant E-scorer, | h. Raker / sand leveller, |
| d. Line judge, | i. Assistant Court Manager, |
| e. Ball retriever, | j. Referee Manager, |
| l. The Ball retriever, Raker and Scoreboard assistant are called together Courtside assistants. | k. Tournament Director. |
- §31 The Scorer, Assistant scorer and Line Judge are also Match Officials“Official Beach Volleyball Rules” means the rules governing the sport of Beach Volleyball, drafted and adopted by the FIVB, following the provisions of the FIVB Constitution and FIVB General Regulations.
- §32 “Organiser” means one or more appointed National Federations which were granted the right by the CEV to host and stage a CEV competition according to the CEV Regulatory Framework.
- §33 “Organiser agreement” means the binding document used between the CEV and the Organiser for a specific competition or phase of a competition.
- §34 “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 Beach Volleyball Rules. The Playing area is also called Field of Play.
- §35 “Playing court” means a rectangular playing surface measuring 16 per 8 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 Beach Volleyball Rules.
- §36 “Side court” means a Court, different from the Centre court, in which matches of the CEV competition are played.
- §37 “Scoresheet” means the score sheet mentioned in the Official Beach Volleyball Rules and the only document which officially records the progress, results, Teams, events, protests and sanctions of a match. It is either a handwritten version or an electronic one also called E-scoresheet.
- §38 “Stay period” means means the period, arrival and departure days included, during which an individual is either appointed or participates in a level of a CEV competition.
- §39 “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 (including SRT & RTMP protocols), mobile platforms (APP, Smartphones, etc.) and/or IP-TV.
- §40 “Team” means a group of two Players only, with the same citizenship and gender, selected by its National Federation and authorised to bear its country’s and/or territory’s name; which are registered to a CEV competition.

- §41 "Team delegation" means a group of individuals, each of them called Team delegation member, composed of:
- a. The Team,
 - b. The Team Officials.
- §42 "Team Official" means an individual appointed by a National Federation to 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:
- a. Head of Delegation,
 - b. Coach,
 - c. Medical doctor,
 - d. Physiotherapist also called Therapist.
- §43 "Venue" means the area composed of the Centre court, Side court(s), warm-up court(s) and the areas controlled, supervised, managed, rented or owned by the Organiser and related to the CEV competition.
- §44 "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."

8. 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 CEV Board of Administration or by the CEV Executive Committee in case of time constraints.
- §5 Any change of these regulations, approved during a season, shall be taken into account from the start of the new season; unless it is applied on a voluntary basis or if there is no negative financial impact.

Section 2: CEV Competitions

Chapter 1: Structure

9. CEV COMPETITION GOVERNING RULES

- §1 Each match is played according to the gender distinction and the Official Beach Volleyball Rules, with balls homologated by the FIVB and prescribed by the CEV Board of Administration, in a Venue approved by the CEV.
- §2 Each match is conducted according to the Official Beach Volleyball Rules unless otherwise specified in the Official Communication document of the respective CEV competition. Other documents may be also used with the Official Beach Volleyball Rules but the latter always prevail.
- §3 Each match is organised in accordance with the CEV Regulatory Framework. Any situation not provided for by these regulations is settled in accordance with the FIVB regulatory framework.

10. RANKINGS

10.1 CEV Entry Ranking

- §1 Players are individually ranked according to a CEV Entry Ranking. Purposes of it are the admission and seeding in a CEV competition. There is one CEV Entry Ranking per gender.
- §2 Such Ranking is established according to the principles mentioned in the FIVB Beach Volleyball Sport Operations Manual regarding Athletes Entry points, unless it is otherwise specified in the respective Official Communication.
- §3 The CEV Entry Ranking is updated on a weekly basis.
- §4 In case of a return after a maternity leave or absence due to an injury, a Player may ask for a specific calculation according to the principles mentioned in the FIVB Beach Volleyball Sport Operations Manual.

10.2 CEV Country ranking

- §1 National Federations are ranked according to a CEV Country Ranking. Purpose of it is mainly the admission in the CEV Beach Volleyball Nations Cup and the CEV Age Group Beach Volleyball European Championships. There is one CEV Country Ranking per gender and per age category.
- §2 Such Ranking is established as follows:
 - a. For the CEV Age Group Beach Volleyball European Championships: by the results of the last three editions of the respective CEV competition (60% of the final ranking last year, 30% of the one two years ago and 10% of the one three years ago),
 - b. For the CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup: by adding the CEV Entry Ranking points of the four best ranked Players of a National Federation in the CEV Entry Ranking on the date communicated in the respective Official Communication document.

11. CEV COMPETITION CONTROL

11.1 Competition control

- §1 The CEV is the governing body for all CEV competitions. It sets the supervision and monitoring modalities regarding the organisation of the CEV competitions.
- §2 For each CEV competition, the CEV appoints the European Beach Volleyball Commission to supervise and monitor the organisation of such competitions.
- §3 For each CEV competition, the CEV appoints – as highest authority during this level – a CEV Supervisor to supervise and monitor on the spot the organisation and progress of

such competition. The CEV may appoint additional workforce for refereeing, medical, media, legal, marketing or other topics related to this competition.

11.2 Practical organisation

- §1 For each CEV competition, the CEV appoints an Organiser as follows:
 - a. Via a candidature / bid procedure set by the CEV,
 - b. Via a drawing of lots where there is no application or multiple applications in the CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup.
- §2 For each CEV competition, the National Federation of the Host country shall appoint an individual called National Federation Delegate (article 16.1.1) to verify and support its organisation.

12. CEV CALENDAR AND SCHEDULE

12.1 General provisions

- §1 The season for CEV competitions start on 01 January and end on 31 December of the same year.
- §2 The dates of the CEV competitions take into consideration the FIVB calendar and other main events.
- §3 All matches of a CEV competition are organised according to the Competition schedule and Match schedule.

12.2 CEV calendar

For each season, the dates of all CEV competitions are set by the CEV.

12.3 Competition schedule

- §1 For each CEV competition, the dates of all levels of such competition are set by the CEV.

12.4 Match schedule

- §1 For each level of a CEV competition, the timetable of all matches of such level is set by the CEV in collaboration with the Organiser.
- §2 For each level of a CEV competition, the timetable of all matches within one day - Daily match schedule - is confirmed by the CEV Supervisor and communicated to the stakeholders. The CEV Supervisor is entitled to change it at any time but shall communicate the change to the concerned Teams and CEV Stakeholders.
- §3 A Team shall not play more than three matches per day, unless decided otherwise by the CEV.
- §4 A match of a Team starts at least 45 minutes after the last match of this Team. For the CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup, and in order to facilitate the event promotion and the TV broadcasting this time can be reduced to 30 minutes.
- §5 In case of a golden set, this set will be played right after the conclusion of the 2 matches..

13. CEV COMPETITION SYSTEM

13.1 General provisions

- §1 Each CEV competition has a competition system, made of a structure, method and format. It is set by the European Beach Volleyball Commission, approved by the Board of Administration and communicated. The CEV may change it according to the number of Teams, the Organiser or for any valid reason.
- §2 The CEV competition structure is composed of the following levels: phases and rounds. Phases may be divided into rounds.
- §3 The CEV competition method allows a Team 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 CEV Board of Administration may set a minimum and/or a maximum number of Teams per level and per National Federation.
- §6 A direct qualification for a Team to a level may be granted according to one or more of the following items:
- a. The CEV Entry Ranking list,
 - b. The appointment of an Organiser (Host country teams),
 - c. Wild cards.
 - d. Any additional process defined in the respective Official Communications

13.2 Competition structure

13.2.1 Composition

- §1 A CEV competition may be composed of the possible following phases: Country Quota Playoffs, Qualification Tournament and Main Draw. The Reserve list is not a phase.

13.2.2 Country Quota Playoffs

- §1 Country Quota Playoffs may be played for a CEV Competition if foreseen in the respective Official Communications and when the number of Teams per National Federation exceeds the maximum number set for the Main Draw. It takes place before the Qualification Tournament, if any.
- §2 The number of Teams to play the Country Quota Playoffs is calculated so the maximum number in the Main Draw is fulfilled. The concerned Teams are those with the lowest rank in the CEV Entry Ranking List.

13.2.3 Qualification Tournament

- §1 The Qualification Tournament is played when the number of Teams exceeds the maximum number set for the Main Draw. It takes place the day before the Main Draw.

13.2.4 Main Draw

- §1 The Main Draw is played with Teams which qualified either directly or from the Qualification Tournament.

13.3 Reserve list

The Reserve list includes Teams which were not allocated to a phase due to their low rank in the CEV Entry Ranking List or due to limitations over the number of teams than can participate in the Main Draw of the tournament – Country quota or due to late registration.

13.4 Competition method

- §1 Each level is played according to one or more of the following competition methods:
- a. Single elimination,
 - b. Double elimination,
 - c. Pool play,
 - d. Modified pool play,
 - e. CEV Queen & King of the Court .

13.4.1 Single elimination

- §1 The Single elimination competition method, also called knock-out, consists of 2 Teams playing each other where the loser is immediately eliminated from the CEV competition and the winner qualifies to the next level.

13.4.2 Double elimination

- §1 The Double elimination competition method consists of 2 Teams playing each other where the loser is eliminated from CEV competition after 2 lost matches. After a lost match, the loser proceeds to the losers bracket and competes for a spot in the two crossed semi-finals against the two teams qualified from the winners' bracket.

13.4.3 Pool play

- §1 The Pool play competition method, also called Round robin, consists for each Team of playing all other ones from the same pool.
- §2 The standing of a Team is based on the number of points earned during the pool.
- §3 In a CEV competition, points for won and lost matches are allocated as follows:
 - a. 2 points for the winner of a match,
 - b. 1 point for the loser of a match,
 - c. 0 point for the Team which forfeits a match. Forfeits are awarded if a team fails to attend a match without a valid reason (i.e. no show) or during a match, for example refusing to continue after summoned to do so. The team in question is subject to the CEV/FIVB Disciplinary regulations and may face in addition a monetary sanction or suspension from the CEV competition.
- §4 There is a tie between Teams when each Team has the same number of points. In case of a tie during or after the pool play, it is settled according to the principles mentioned in the CEV guidelines.
- §5 In accordance with article 6.4 of the Official Beach Volleyball Rules, the following applies:
 - a. In case of a default, the opponent Team wins the match with sets of 2:0 and rally points of 0:0, 0:0; while the defaulting Team forfeits the match with sets of 2:0 and rally points of 0:21, 0:21. The match is marked "DSQ".
 - b. In case of a default due to an injury, the opponent Team wins the match with sets of 2:0 and rally points of 0:0, 0:0; while the defaulting Team loses the match with the number of sets and rally points won until the injury. The match is marked "INJ/DSQ".

13.4.4 Modified pool play

- §1 The Modified pool play competition method consists of Teams playing a number of other Teams from the same pool and where the loser is eliminated from CEV competition after 2 lost matches. After a lost match, the loser proceeds to the losers bracket.

13.4.5 CEV Queen & King of the Court

- §1 The CEV Queen & King of the Court competition method consists of Teams playing a number of other Teams within a time defined session

13.5 Allocation

13.5.1 Allocation of Teams to a level (Confirmed List)

- §1 Teams are allocated in a level of a CEV competition according to the CEV Entry Ranking, or the parameters detailed in 13.1.§6 within the timeline specified in the respective Official Communication document.
- §2 When two or more Teams have the same amount of points in the CEV Entry Ranking, the allocation of Teams is established by using the following criteria in the following descending order, until the tie ends:
 - a. The sum of Athlete's FIVB Technical Points as detailed in the FIVB Beach Volleyball Sport Operations Manual,
 - b. A drawing of lots.

13.5.2 Allocation of Teams within a level (Seeding)

- §1 Teams are allocated within a level of a CEV competition according to the CEV Entry Ranking, on the day of the Preliminary Inquiry and after it; unless otherwise specified in the respective Official Communications document.
- §2 When two or more Teams have the same amount of points in the CEV Entry Ranking, tie shall be broken as follows:
- §3 The sum of Athlete's FIVB Technical Points as detailed in the FIVB Beach Volleyball Sport Operations Manual.

- §4 In the Main draw, this seeding is performed with the additional following principles:
- a. The sum of Athletes Entry Ranking Points. The seeding of the organiser best ranked team as communicated in the respective Official Communication
 - b. In case of a Pool play competition method:
 - i. The Teams of the Organiser are allocated in different pools,
 - ii. There is a maximum of 2 Teams from the same National Federation per pool; unless of a substitution of a Team in the CEV Beach Volleyball European Championship - CEV EuroBeachVolley after the issue of the Confirmed list,
 - iii. Teams from the same National Federation play the first match of the pool.
 - iv. c. The above conditions, except condition i, are not applied in case of modified Pool play competition

14. MISCELLANEOUS

14.1 Wild cards

- §1 At its own initiative or upon request of a National Federation, the CEV may grant Wild cards. The National Federation shall send the relevant CEV form (article 23.2), according to the deadline set by the CEV. The CEV will communicate its decision with the issue of the Confirmed list.
- §2 A Team with a Wild card shall not change its composition, unless approved by the CEV. When the change is not approved, this Team is allocated in the CEV competition as per normal procedure (article 13.5).
- §3 The CEV may grant the following maximum number of Wild cards:

CEV competition	Maximum number of Wild cards
CEV Beach Volleyball European Championship – CEV EuroBeachVolley	
Main Draw phase	3
Other phases	-
a. CEV Queen & King of the Court – European Finals	
Main Draw phase	3
Other phases	3
CEV Age Group Beach Volleyball European Championships	
All levels	-
CEV Beach Volleyball Nations Cup and CEV Youth Beach Volleyball Continental Cup	
All levels	-

- §4 A Wild card is not taken into consideration for the calculation of a minimum and/or a maximum number of Teams per level and per National Federation.
- §5 For every unused Wild Card, the best placed Team of the Confirmed List will be admitted directly to the Main Draw.

Chapter 2: Organisation, follow-up and control

15. APPOINTMENT OF THE ORGANISER

- §1 Please refer to article 11.2.
- §2 The National Federation interested in the organisation of a CEV competition shall send the relevant CEV form (article 24.1) or Candidature File.

16. FOLLOW-UP AND CONTROL

16.1 National Federation

16.1.1 National Federation Delegate

- §1 The National Federation Delegate verifies and supports the organisation of a CEV competition in the Host country.
- §2 A National Federation Delegate 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,
- §3 The person is the main contact individual for the CEV.
- §4 A National Federation Delegate is appointed by the National Federation for a CEV competition organised in the Host country.
- §5 The duties of the National Federation Delegate are:
 - a. To ensure:
 - i. A smooth running of the CEV competition,
 - 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 visit and Venue homologation.
 - c. Those mentioned in the relevant CEV Guidelines.

16.2 CEV

16.2.1 Commission

- §1 The European Beach Volleyball Commission supervises and monitors the organisation of the CEV competitions under the CEV Regulatory framework.

16.2.2 CEV Supervisor

- §1 The CEV Supervisor is the highest authority during the CEV competition this individual is appointed to. In case a CEV Representative and other CEV officials are also assigned in the CEV competition, the CEV Supervisor needs to consult and coordinate with all of them to ensure the best event delivery.
- §2 A CEV Supervisor has the following profile:
 - a. The person is supported by a National Federation but is not the President of the latter,
 - b. The person is an expert in the CEV Regulatory Framework,
 - c. 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 CEV European Beach Volleyball Commission. A CEV Supervisor is eligible for an appointment to a CEV competition when the following requirements are fulfilled:
 - a. Such CEV Supervisor complies with article 16.2.2 §2,
 - b. Such CEV Supervisor is skilled enough according to the CEV internal evaluation process,
 - c. Such CEV Supervisor is declared fit to fulfil his/her duties,
 - d. Such CEV Supervisor is listed in the annual CEV Beach Volleyball Supervisors list.

- §4 The duties of the CEV Supervisor are:
- a. To ensure that the match is played in accordance with the Official Beach 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 inspection 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 provide the relevant reports (article 25.4),
 - e. To fulfil the duties of the CEV Referee Coach in case of an absence of the latter,
 - f. Those mentioned in the relevant CEV Guidelines.

§5 In case of an absence, the appointed CEV Referee Coach shall fulfil the duties of the CEV Supervisor.

16.2.3 Assistant CEV Supervisor

- §1 An Assistant CEV Supervisor has the same profile as the CEV Supervisor.
- §2 An Assistant CEV Supervisor may be appointed by the CEV European Beach Volleyball Commission.
- §3 The duties of an Assistant CEV Supervisor are some or all of the duties of the CEV Supervisor according to the instructions of the latter.

16.2.4 CEV Representative

- §1 At its own initiative or upon request of an Organiser, the CEV may appoint a CEV Representative. The CEV Representative is representing the CEV in all meetings with the hosting Federation and local/state authorities and in all protocol related issues.

16.3 Site visit

- §1 A site visit is carried out well in advance when the CEV European Beach Volleyball Commission or the CEV Board of Administration requires it. For a CEV competition, one or more site visits may be carried out.
- §2 During the site visit, any places may be visited and any documents be requested.
- §3 The following individuals shall participate to this process:
 - a. The appointed CEV Official,
 - b. The National Federation Delegate,
 - c. The Tournament director,
 - d. The CEV appointed staff members and experts.
- §4 After completion of a part of this process, the relevant CEV Official shall provide a report.

Chapter 3: Participation

17. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- §1 A National Federation and/or Player is eligible to participate to a CEV competition when it is registered to such competition and confirmed by the CEV.
- §2 A Team shall fulfil the requirements of these regulations and comply with them.

18. TEAM ELIGIBILITY – REGISTRATION IN A CEV COMPETITION

18.1 Registration criteria

- §1 A National Federation which applies for its registration to a CEV competition shall fulfil:
 - a. The requirements of these Regulations
 - b. The specific additional requirements set for each CEV competition.

18.2 Registration procedure

- §1 The National Federation fulfils the required action on the online platform and submits the relevant documents.
- §2 Registration by the CEV is confirmed by the inclusion of the Teams in the Confirmed List of the CEV competition. Such list is communicated through the CEV website .

18.3 Affiliation

- §1 The National Federation is a member of the CEV.

18.4 Number of Teams

- §1 Please refer to article 13.1 §5.

18.5 Commitment

- §1 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.

18.6 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.

19. PLAYER ELIGIBILITY – REGISTRATION IN A CEV COMPETITION

19.1 Registration criteria

- §1 A Player and/or National Federation applying for the registration of this Player shall fulfil:
 - a. The requirements of articles 19, 31.1 §5, 32.1 and 33.1.1.
 - b. The specific additional requirements set for each CEV competition.
- §2 A National Federation which applies for the registration of a Player to a CEV competition and this Player shall fulfil:
 - a. The requirements of article 19,
 - b. The specific additional requirements set for each CEV competition.
- §3 Registration of a Player in a CEV competition is denied in case such Player is under a sanction by the FIVB and/or the CEV.

19.2 Registration procedure

- §1 The registration procedure is as mentioned in article 18.2.
- §2 Registration by the CEV is confirmed by the inclusion of the Player in the Confirmed List of the CEV competition. Such document is communicated as mentioned in article 18.2.

19.3 Player licence

- §1 A Player licence is valid when the Player is registered to a CEV competition. It ceases to be valid after the last day of the year it was issued.

19.4 FIVB Sport Operations Manual

- §1 A Player complies with the FIVB Sports Regulations and the FIVB Beach Volleyball Sport Operations Manual.

19.5 Age restriction

- §1 An age restriction applies according to the following table:

CEV competition	Age restriction
CEV U22 Beach Volleyball European Championship	21
CEV U20 Beach Volleyball European Championship	19
CEV U18 Beach Volleyball European Championship	17
CEV Youth Beach Volleyball Continental Cup	Yes
Other CEV competitions	-

- §2 The age is determined on 31 December of the year of the organisation of the CEV competition.

20. TEAM DELEGATION

20.1 General provisions

- §1 A National Federation participates to a CEV competition with one or more Teams (article 13.1 §5).
- §2 An individual is considered as a Team Official when the accreditation of such individual is sent via the relevant CEV form (article 23.5) to the Organiser. Notwithstanding the above, the authorisation of the medical staff is sent first to the CEV, for approval (article 35).
- §3 A National Federation may submit, per Team, a request for accreditation for a maximum number of two Team Officials. The Organiser may agree on a higher number.
- §4 Only the Coach, mentioned in the Scoresheet, may be present in the Competition area during a match but only for the CEV Age Group Beach Volleyball European Championships, CEV Youth Beach Volleyball Continental Cup, the CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup and the CEV Beach Volley European Cup.
- §5 The Medical doctor or Therapist may enter enter the Competition area, provided that they comply with article 35.

20.2 Default and incomplete Team

- §1 Article 6.4 of the Official Beach Volleyball Rules applies.
- §2 Any match with a Team declared in default or incomplete is assessed by the CEV Supervisor as disqualification ("DSQ") or disqualification by Injury ("INJ/DSQ").

20.3 Withdrawal

- §1 Before the Entry deadline, a National Federation may withdraw a Team from a CEV competition, without any consequences.
- §2 Between the Entry deadline and the Confirmed List deadline, a National Federation may withdraw a Team from a CEV competition without any consequences but shall inform the CEV about it; by providing the relevant CEV form.
- §3 Between the Confirmed List and up to 4:00 pm (Luxembourg time), 5 days before the start of the first Preliminary Inquiry, a National Federation may withdraw a Team from a CEV competition without any consequences only if there is a medical reason or Force majeure; but shall inform the CEV about it by providing the relevant CEV form.

- §4 After 4:00 pm Luxembourg time, 3 days before the start of the first Preliminary Inquiry, a National Federation may withdraw a Team from a CEV competition by informing the assigned CEV Supervisor by email with a copy to the CEV Office beach@cev.eu.
- §5 Regardless of the reason of such withdrawal, a financial sanction will be inflicted to the concerned player/team, according to the Section 8, article 102.5 unless the team was initially in the tournament reserve list and got awarded the spot to the Main Draw/Qualification. The withdrawn participant shall be held liable for the inflicting costs to other participants as a result of his withdrawal.

20.4 Substitution of a Player

- §1 Before the Entry deadline, a National Federation may substitute a Player from a Team from a CEV competition, without any consequences.
- §2 Between the Entry deadline and the Confirmed List deadline, a National Federation may substitute only one Player per Team from a CEV competition, without any consequences but shall inform the CEV about it; by providing the relevant CEV form.
- §3 After the Confirmed List deadline, a National Federation may substitute only one Player per Team from a CEV competition only if there is a medical reason or Force majeure.
- §4 The substitution changes the allocation of the Team which is done according to article 13.5.1. This does not apply in the CEV Age Group Beach Volleyball European Championships.
- §5 In the CEV Age Group Beach Volleyball European Championships and the CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup , a National Federation may substitute more than one Player per Team up to the Preliminary Inquiry that the Team is due to attend, without any consequences but shall inform the CEV about it; by providing the relevant CEV form.
- §6 The substitute Player shall fulfil the requirements mentioned in article 19.
- §7 Regardless of the reason of such substitution, a financial sanction may be inflicted to the concerned player/team, according to the Section 8, article 102.5.

20.5 Equipment

- §1 The Player's equipment is defined according to the Official Beach Volleyball Rules and complies with the latter, the FIVB Beach Volleyball Sport Operations Manual and the CEV Guidelines.
- §2 The jersey, also called "tank-top", is mandatory for a CEV competition. It is provided either by the Organiser or the National Federations. The National Federation or Team shall provide the jerseys of the Players when the Organiser does not, as mentioned in article 81.
- §3 The Players shall wear the jerseys during the on-court warm-up, the matches, the ceremonies and any other official appearance in connection with the CEV competition. The Organiser shall ensure that Players do so. The Players shall not alter the provided jerseys.
- §4 The Players of the same Team shall wear uniforms of the same colour but different from the other opponent team.
- §5 Players may use different varieties of playing uniforms and long sleeve/leggings as defined in the CEV Beach Volleyball Guidelines .

21. AWARDING CEREMONY

- §1 The Players having won the gold, silver or bronze medal of a CEV competition shall attend the Awarding ceremony. Failing to do so, these Players shall receive no prize money and a financial sanction.

Chapter 4: Information and CEV forms

22. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- §1 In case a specific mean of communication is mentioned in the CEV Regulatory Framework, an information is only taken into consideration when received via such mean of communication.
- §2 An information shall be provided only when required by the CEV Regulatory Framework and according to the CEV instructions; to the CEV Beach Volleyball department, unless specified otherwise.
- §3 Content of the CEV forms and documents are related to the purpose of such forms.
- §4 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.

23. INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE TEAMS/CLUBS

23.1 Registration of a Team/Club in a CEV competition

23.1.1 Commitment

- §1 The CEV BV-01 NF- Athlete's Commitment form and BVB/10 form – Annual Health Certificate is uploaded/accepted online in the VIS.
- §2 Purposes of such a form are:
 - a. For a National Federation, to apply for a registration of a Player in a CEV competition,
 - b. For the Player, to evidence the absence of contra-indication to the practice of Beach Volleyball,
 - c. For the CEV, to collect Player's data and inform the latter about the Players' rights and obligations.

23.2 Request for a Wild card

- §1 The CEV BV-02 form is sent via email.
- §2 Purpose of such form is to request a Wild card to the CEV.

23.3 Withdrawal of a Team and substitution of a Player

- §1 The CEV BV-03 form is sent via email.
- §2 Purpose of such form is to inform the CEV about the withdrawal of a Team or the substitution of a Player.

23.4 Transportation

- §1 The CEV BV-04 form is uploaded as per the instructions of the respective Official Communication document.
- §2 Purpose of such form is to inform the Organiser about the Team's travel schedule.

23.5 Registration of a Team/Club Official in a CEV competition

- §1 The CEV forms are:
 - a. For the Coach and the Head of delegation, the CEV BV-05 form,
 - b. For the Medical doctor and the Physiotherapist, the CEV BV-06 form.
- §2 Such forms are handled as per the instructions included in the forms and timelines set in the respective Official Communication and Practical Information documents .
- §3 Purposes of such forms are to request an accreditation and access to the relevant areas.

24. INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE ORGANISER

24.1 Application for organisation

- §1 The CEV forms or Candidature files are:
 - a. For CEV competitions, the BV-A form,
 - b. For other CEV approved Beach Volleyball events, the BV-A2 form,
 - c. Additional supporting document requested in the respective Candidature Application Guidelines.
- §2 Such forms are sent via email.
- §3 Purposes of the forms are to get information and commitment for the organisation of a CEV competition.

24.2 Organisational Chart

- §1 The CEV BV-OC form is sent via email.
- §2 Purposes of such a form are to inform the CEV about the Organiser workforce and to provide the CEV with contact details.

24.3 Match information

- §1 The result of a match is sent via the VIS competition software and the CEV e-scoresheet platform.

24.4 Media

24.4.1 Accredited media list

- §1 A list of accredited media to collect data about the Media present in a CEV competition.

24.4.2 Editorial feeds

- §1 Event preview in English, with associated photographs.
- §2 After each competition day, a report in English.
- §3 Side stories in English, with accompanying photos.

24.4.3 Media kit

- §1 A Media kit is distributed to all accredited media, at their arrival.
- §2 The Media kit is provided to the CEV together with all other relevant forms and papers due to be delivered post event. Post event report

24.5 List of Local referees

- §1 The CEV BV-LR form is uploaded to the CEV cloud by the set deadline.
- §2 Purpose of such form is to receive the list of Local referees as well as information concerning their refereeing skills and level of English.

24.6 Post Event Report

- §1 A post event report is shared with the CEV according to the respective instructions shared by the CEV Office
- §2 Purpose of such a report is to receive official documents (scoresheets-only when e-score does not work-sign in sheets, etc.), statistics, feedback and other sponsorship data for a level of a CEV competition.

25. INFORMATION SUBMITTED BY THE CEV OFFICIALS

25.1 Site visit

- §1 The CEV forms are:
 - a. For the site visit, the BV-10 form,
 - b. For the Venue homologation, the BV-13 form.
- §2 Such forms are sent viamail or uploaded on the CEV Supervisors platform.
- §3 Purposes of the forms are to report the results of the site visit and to homologate the Venue.

25.2 Preliminary inquiry

- §1 The VIS sign-in sheet is sent via mail within the Post event report.
- §2 Purposes of such a form are to confirm the presence of the Teams and collect data related to the organisation of the CEV competition such as player's uniform number and size.

25.3 Referees

- §1 The CEV R-4 form is uploaded via the CEV ftp server or sent to referee@cev.eu no later than 48 hours after the end of the CEV competition.
- §2 Purpose of such a form is to evaluate the performance of a referee during the CEV competition.

25.4 CEV Supervisor

- §1 The CEV BV-12 form is uploaded on the respective CEV online platform or sent, via email, at the end of each competition day.
- §2 The CEV BV-TS form is uploaded on the respective CEV online platform or sent, via email, no later than 24 hours after the end of the CEV competition.
- §3 Purpose of such forms is to evaluate the organisation of a CEV competition.

25.5 CEV Referee Coach

- §1 The CEV BV-RD form is uploaded via the CEV ftp server or sent to referee@cev.eu no later than 48 hours after the end of the CEV competition.
- §2 Purpose of such a form is to report on the refereeing aspect and overall performance of the referees.

Section 3: Refereeing

26. CEV REFEREEING BODIES

26.1 CEV European Refereeing Commission

- §1 The duties of the CEV European Refereeing Commission include, among others, the following:
- a. To appoint the CEV Referee Coaches,
 - b. To appoint the Neutral and Challenge referees to a CEV competition,
 - c. To acknowledge and approve the Local referees appointed to a CEV competition.

26.2 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:
- a. The person is supported by a National Federation,
 - b. The person should be a member of the CEV European Refereeing Commission or certified as a CEV/FIVB Referee Coach,
 - c. The person successfully passed the Candidate Referee Coach Seminar,
 - d. The person is able to communicate in English with people from different countries.
- §3 A CEV Referee Coach is appointed by the CEV European Refereeing Commission. A CEV Referee Coach is eligible for an appointment to a CEV competition when the following requirements are fulfilled:
- a. The person complies with article 26.2 §2,
 - b. The person is skilled enough according to the CEV internal evaluation process,
 - c. The person is declared fit to fulfil his/her duties,
 - d. The person is listed in the annual CEV Beach Volleyball Referee Coaches list.
- §4 An individual should not be appointed as CEV Referee Coach to a CEV competition when this individual is a member, official, representative, employee, individual registered via a licence or under the authority of the National Federation of the Host country or of the CEV Supervisor.
- §5 Unless otherwise specified, a CEV Referee Coach is appointed to each CEV competition.
- §6 The duties of the CEV Referee Coach are:
- a. To supervise and evaluate the referees performances in all matches of the event such individual is appointed to,
 - b. To assign the nominated National Technical Officials,
 - c. To answer any refereeing or rules based question raised,
 - d. To provide the relevant report and form (articles 25.3 and 25.5),
 - e. To attend, when organised, the following events and fulfil the requirements related to them:
 - i. The Technical meeting,
 - ii. The TV meeting,
 - iii. The Closing meeting,
 - 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 and FIVB Referee Delegate Manual.
- §7 In case of an absence or non-appointment, the appointed CEV Supervisor shall fulfil the duties of the CEV Referee Coach, as defined by the CEV European Refereeing Commission

26.3 Assistant CEV Referee Coach

- §1 An Assistant Referee Coach has the same profile as the CEV Referee Coach.
- §2 An Assistant CEV Referee Coach may be appointed by the CEV European Refereeing Commission.
- §3 The duties of an Assistant CEV Referee Coach are some or all of the duties of the CEV Referee Coach according to the instructions of the latter.

27. MATCH OFFICIALS

27.1 Referees

- §1 A referee has the following profile:
 - a. The person being appointed as Neutral Referee is an International referee candidate or an International referee,
 - b. The person is able to communicate in English with people from different countries,
 - c. The person, being appointed as Local referee, is of the highest level (Beach Volleyball International/Beach Volleyball International Candidate, experienced Beach Volleyball National Referee) but is not a Volleyball International referee candidate or an International referee,
 - d. The person complies with the requirements mentioned in chapter 10 of the FIVB Event Regulations.
 - e. A Challenge Referee must have a prior FIVB experience as Challenge referee
- §2 A referee - Neutral referee - is appointed by the CEV European Refereeing Commission. The National Federation of the Hosting country shall appoint referees - Local referees - using the relevant CEV form.
- §3 A referee is eligible for an appointment to a CEV competition when the following requirements are fulfilled:
 - a. Such referee complies with article 27.1§1,
 - b. Such referee is skilled enough according to the CEV internal evaluation process,
 - c. Such referee is declared fit to fulfil his/her duties,
 - d. Such referee is mentioned in the annual International Beach Volleyball and Candidate International Referees list and shall be listed in the FIVB VIS System,
 - e. Such referee successfully completed the E-Learning educational programme and E-Learning course on Prevention of Competition Manipulation.
- §4 An individual should not be appointed as referee to a match when this individual is a member, official, representative, employee, individual registered via a licence or under the authority of a National Federation of a Team of the match such referee will be appointed to.
- §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 9. §2,
 - b. Those mentioned in the Official Beach 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. 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 appointed Reserve referee shall fulfil his duties.

- §8 The number of nominated referees per National Federation is listed in the FIVB Sports Regulations.
- §9 The number of appointed referees per CEV competition is mentioned in the CEV Guidelines. The European Refereeing Commission appoints additional referees in case the Local referees do not fulfil the requirements.
- §10 Evaluation is made using the relevant CEV form. A copy of the completed CEV form is provided to the evaluated referee.
- §11 The suspension and withdrawal of International Referees is mentioned in the FIVB Event Regulations.

28. NATIONAL TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

- §1 A National Technical Official has the following profile:
 - a. The person is able to communicate in English with people from different countries,
 - b. The person is skilled and trained enough to fulfil his duties.
- §2 A National Technical Official is nominated by the Organiser in collaboration with the National Federation of the Host country. This National Technical Official is then assigned by the CEV Referee Coach in collaboration with the Organiser.
- §3 A National Technical Official is eligible for an appointment to a CEV competition when such National Technical Official complies with article 28. §1.
- §4 Reserve individuals are nominated in order to replace, if necessary, an appointed National Technical Official.
- §5 The duties of a National Technical Official are:
 - a. To fulfil the duties mentioned in the Official Beach 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. Those mentioned in the CEV Guidelines.

29. REFEREEING CLINIC

Refer to article 67.

Section 4: Medical

30. CEV MEDICAL BODIES

30.1 CEV European Medical Commission

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

30.2 CEV Medical Delegate

- §1 The CEV Medical Delegate is responsible for the smooth running of all medical topics.
- §2 A CEV Medical Delegate has the following profile:
- a. The person shall be a CEV European Medical Commission member,
 - b. The person is able to communicate in English with people from different countries.
- §3 A CEV Medical Delegate is appointed by the CEV European Medical Commission. A CEV Medical Delegate is eligible for an appointment to a CEV competition when the following requirements are fulfilled:
- a. Such CEV Medical Delegate complies with article 30.2 §1,
 - b. Such CEV Medical Delegate is declared fit to fulfil his/her duties.
- §4 Unless otherwise specified, a CEV Medical Delegate is appointed to each CEV competition.
- §5 The duties of the CEV Medical Delegate are:
- a. To monitor the Testing without carrying out or assisting with duties,
 - b. To supervise and carry out the medical examination of Referees during a CEV competition,
 - c. To make recommendation concerning the suitability of a Match official,
 - d. To monitor the first aid provided,
 - e. To supervise the nutrition for Players,
 - f. To attend, when organised, the Technical meeting and fulfil the requirements related to it,
 - g. Those mentioned in the relevant CEV Guidelines.

31. ANTI-DOPING RULES

31.1 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 Beach 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 National Federations and Team delegation members, the amendment and the interpretation of the FIVB's Anti-Doping Rules.
- §4 In case words are neither defined in article 7 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, 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.

31.2 Doping control

31.2.1 By the FIVB / CEV

- §1 The FIVB is the Testing Authority in any Volleyball Competition.
- §2 In accordance with the World Anti-Doping Agency Code, the FIVB or CEV may coordinate a Sample collection, in collaboration with an authorised agency.
- §3 In accordance with the FIVB instructions, the CEV decides about the Testing to be conducted in a CEV competition.

31.2.2 By an Anti-Doping Organisation

- §1 An authorised Anti-Doping Organisation may conduct Testing at a CEV competition in accordance with the World Anti-Doping Agency Code.

31.3 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..

31.4 Anti-Doping Rule violation

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

32. MEDICAL EXAMINATION

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

32.1 Players

- §1 A Player undertakes a medical examination in order to present evidence of adequate health, ability to travel by any means of transportation and ability to play in a CEV competition.

32.2 CEV Officials

- §1 In order to be appointed as a CEV Official, an individual shall undertake and present through the M-7 form a medical examination in order to present evidence of adequate health and fitness to be reviewed by the EMC in order 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.

32.3 Match officials

32.3.1 Before being appointed

- §1 In order to be appointed as a Neutral 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.

32.3.2 During a CEV competition

A) Health control

§1 During a CEV competition, as early as possible after the arrival of each Referee at the Venue and in case of a CEV Medical Delegate appointed, such referee shall undertake a medical examination.

§2 Based on such medical examination, the CEV Medical Delegate shall communicate to the CEV Supervisor his/her recommendations regarding the suitability of each Match official.

§3 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. When the second test is also positive, the CEV Referee Coach shall change such Match official. This Match official may contest the results and request the conduction of a blood test.

33. CERTIFICATES AND FORMS

33.1 Players

33.1.1 Anti-doping education certificate

§1 Each Player shall undertake the FIVB Anti-Doping education programme through his/her FIVB individual VIS credentials, available online: <https://e-learning.fivb.com/access/login>.

§2 After the successful completion of such programme, a certificate is issued.

33.1.2 Health certificate

§1 The medical doctor, who performs the medical examination, shall sign the relevant CEV/FIVB form and the National Federation of the Player shall submit it to the CEV (article 23.1.1)

§2 Such certificate is valid when the following additional requirements are fulfilled:

- a. It is issued on the same year of and prior to a CEV competition,
- b. Its issue date is written on it.

§3 Such certificate becomes null and void at the end of the calendar year of its 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.

33.1.3 Medical & Prevention on competitions manipulation

§1 Each Player shall compulsorily undertake the FIVB "Prevention of Competition Manipulation E-Course", using their VIS credential if requested by the Official Communications document of the respective event at <https://www.fivb.com/en/development/manipulationcourse>

33.2 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 upon request of the CEV. Such certificate becomes null and void one calendar year after its issue.

33.3 Match officials

33.3.1 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 upon request of the CEV. Such certificate becomes null and void one year after its issue.

33.3.2 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.

34. MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS

34.1 Previous information

- §1 Information are provided to the CEV – medical@cev.eu – before the deadline set by the CEV.

34.2 Workforce

34.2.1 Medical

- §1 Refer to article 51.

34.2.2 Doping control

- §1 Individuals may be requested to support the conduct of the Testing as following and in line with WADA standards:
 - a. One to two Doping Control Officers,
 - b. Two to four Chaperones.

34.3 Facilities

34.3.1 Doping Control Station

- §1 Testing shall be conducted in substantial conformity with the International Standard for Testing.

34.3.2 First aid area

- §1 A First aid area is available for Players, CEV officials, Match officials, Team officials and spectators.
- §2 In a First aid area, one medical doctor and a Physiotherapist shall be present.

34.4 Nutrition for Players during a CEV competition

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

35. AUTHORISATION FOR MEDICAL DOCTOR AND THERAPIST

35.1 Definition

- §1 The authorisation concerns the Medical doctor and/or Physiotherapist registered as a Team delegation member.
- §2 The authorisation grants the right to temporarily access the Competition area during a match for medical purposes.

- §3 CEV and FIVB authorisations are accepted in a CEV competition.
- §4 The CEV European Medical Commission may issue authorisations 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.

35.2 Application

- §1 The application is sent no later than 1 month before the relevant CEV competition via electronic mean, to the CEV - medicalauthorisation@cev.eu and includes the email address of the applicant.
- §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 or National Olympic Committee,
 - e. A recent passport format picture,
 - f. A copy of the FIVB Anti-Doping education programme.
 - g. An e-mail address of the applicant

36. CEV MEDICAL INSURANCE

36.1 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 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 all properly registered participating players. 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.

36.2 Summary of the cover

- §1 The CEV medical insurance policy number is 011500A.
- §2 The following elements are covered:
 - a. The actuals 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 according to the current insurance contract of CEV.

36.3 Assistance

- §1 In case of an admission to a hospital or emergency treatment, IMSSA shall be notified immediately.
- §2 The following information regarding the insured individual shall be provided on the phone:
 - a. Surname and First name,
 - b. Address of the permanent domicile,
 - c. Membership of the CEV,
 - d. Phone number and address of the current staying place,
 - e. The CEV medical insurance policy number.

37. MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROTOCOLS

- §1 Medical assistance is granted to the players through the protocols detailed in the CEV Beach Volleyball Guidelines

Section 5: Organiser

Chapter 5: General provisions

38. APPOINTMENT OF THE ORGANISER

Refer to article 15.

39. CEV BEACH 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.

40. STAY PERIOD

- §1 The Stay period of a Team/Club delegation, CEV Official, CEV Commercial Partner or referee is as follows:

CEV Competition	Arrival date	Departure date
CEV Beach Volleyball European Championship – CEV EuroBeachVolley, CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup Final and CEV Queen & King of the Court European Final		
CEV Supervisor	3 days before the start of the Main Draw	The day after the end of the CEV competition
CEV Referee Coach	2 days before the start of the Main Draw	
Referees	2 days before the start of the Main Draw	
Other CEV Officials & Commerical Partners	Case by case basis	
Teams	The day of and prior to the relevant Preliminary inquiry	The day after their elimination from the CEV competition
CEV Age Group Beach Volleyball European Championships		
CEV Supervisor	3 days before the start of the Main Draw	The day after the end of the CEV competition
CEV Referee Coach	2 days before the start of the Main Draw	
Referees	2 days before the start of the Main Draw	
Other CEV Officials & Commerical Partners	Case by case basis	
Teams	The day of and prior to the relevant Preliminary inquiry	
CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup Preliminary rounds and CEV Beach Volley European Cup		
CEV Supervisor	2 days before the start of the Main Draw	The day after the end of the CEV competition
Referees		
Other CEV Officials & Commerical Partners	Case by case basis	
Teams/Clubs	The day of and prior to the relevant Preliminary inquiry	The day after their elimination from the CEV competition

- §2 The arrival time means that the CEV Official or referee is present in the Venue or hotel before 20:00. For CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup preliminary Rounds and the CEV Beach Volley European Cup the arrival date and time may be moved to 12:00 one day before the first competition day.
- §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 visit, drawing of lots and other meetings.
- §4 When the Stay period mentioned in articles 40. §1 and 40. §2 cannot be complied with, this period is increased by the adequate number of days allowing a CEV Official to fulfil his/her duties.

41. INTERNAL STRUCTURE

- §1 An Organising Committee is set-up. Its composition is communicated to the CEV via the relevant CEV form (article 24.2) and updated when necessary.
- §2 Such committee shall support the smooth conduct of the CEV competition.
- §3 The Organiser shall set up one Local Organising Committee per Venue in case more than one is used.

42. INSURANCE

- §1 An insurance with a well-recognised insurance company, covering the risks of a top-level international sport competition and including at least public liability, event cancellation and collapsing of bleachers, is subscribed.
- §2 Upon request of the CEV, the relevant documentation and agreement are provided to the CEV in English. Failing to do so, the CEV may cancel the organisation of the CEV competition.

Chapter 6: Facilities

43. 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:
 - a. Set-up no later than two days before the start of the CEV competition,
 - b. Exclusively available for the hosting and staging a CEV competition from the day before the start of the first phase to the day after the last match of the CEV competition, according to these regulations and in particular the Competition schedule, Match schedule and Daily match schedule.

44. VENUE

44.1 Approval of a Venue

- §1 A Venue approved by the CEV is used. The CEV approves a Venue when such Venue fulfils the requirements mentioned in the Official Beach Volleyball Rules and the CEV Regulatory Framework.
- §2 A Venue is set-up according to the CEV Guidelines.
- §3 A site visit may be set. The Venue may be approved by the CEV only if the CEV Official who carried out such visit takes a favourable view.

44.2 Number of Courts

- §1 The CEV confirms the number of Courts, according to the duration of the CEV competition and the number of Teams; in order to allow a smooth running of the CEV competition and settle possible delays in the staging of a CEV competition.

44.3 Requirements of a Court

44.3.1 Sports requirements for all Courts

- §1 The requirements mentioned in article 44.3 are mandatory for all Courts. Requirements of a Court mentioned in the Official Beach Volleyball Rules are set according to such rules, unless specified otherwise in article 44.3.
- §2 A Court is equipped according to the CEV Guidelines and the Competition area is set according to the relevant court layout. All Courts should have the same orientation, including the warm-up courts.
- §3 Bleachers are set-up with the highest security standards, no later than 14:00 on the day before the start of the CEV competition. Bleachers are always set-up on the Centre court and, according to article 44.3.2 §1, on the Side courts.
- §4 Competent local authorities shall carry out an inspection visit of the bleachers and issue a written approval. This approval is presented to the CEV Supervisor.
- §5 CEV competitions organised indoor may depart from these requirements.

44.3.2 Specific requirements of a Court

- §1 Specific requirements of a Court are according to the following table:

§2

CEV competition	Centre court bleachers capacity (minimum)	Bleachers on Side courts and capacity (minimum)	Free measurement zone (minimum metres from side lines)
CEV Beach Volleyball European Championship - CEV EuroBeachVolley			
All levels	-3,000	Yes / 500	5
CEV Age Group Beach Volleyball European Championships			
All levels	700	-	5
CEV Beach Volleyball Nations Cup			
Final phase	2,000	Yes / 500	5
Other levels	500	-	3
CEV Beach Volley European Cup			
Final phase	1,000	-	5
Other levels	250	-	3
CEV Queen & King of the Court European Final			
All levels	1,000	Yes/500	

44.4 Other requirements of a Court

- §1 One Scoresheet table is set in the Competition/Control area.
- §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 by the CEV.
- §3 The Side courts are available no later than two days before the start of the CEV competition.
- §4 All Courts are available the day before the start of the CEV competition.

45. OTHER FACILITIES

45.1 General provisions

- §1 The following areas are set (article 70.1):
 - a. CEV areas,
 - b. Event office area,
 - c. VIP area,
 - d. Players area,
 - e. Coaches area,
 - f. Referees areas,
 - g. Scorers and Line judges areas,
 - h. Medical area,
 - i. First aid area,
 - j. Physiotherapy and Massage area,
 - k. Media area,
 - l. Court Manager area.
 - m. Broadcast facilities
- §2 All areas are protected from the sun, wind and rain and equipped as detailed in the CEV Guidelines.
- §3 For a CEV competition and upon request of the CEV, a Doping Control Station is set.

Chapter 7: Workforce

46. 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.
- §3 When the Organiser uses more than one Venue, additional individuals are appointed to each additional Venue in order to fulfil the duties of the individuals mentioned in this Chapter.

47. CLOTHING

- §1 Individuals with the same role are dressed identically.
- §2 The individuals of the following groups are dressed identically among these groups and differently - with a different colour - from the other groups:
 - a. CEV Officials,
 - b. Referees,
 - c. Line judges and Scorers,
 - d. Organiser's workforce,
 - e. Organiser's security workforce.
- §3 Clothes are provided according to the CEV Guidelines and their layout submitted to the CEV, for approval, before the deadline set by the CEV.

48. TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR

- §1 A Tournament director is the main point of contact for the CEV.
- §2 A Tournament director has the following profile:
- §3 He is able to communicate in English with people from different countries.
- §4 A Tournament director fulfils the duties mentioned in the CEV Guidelines.

49. REFEREE MANAGER

- §1 A Referee manager has the following profile:
 - a. The person is able to communicate in English with people from different countries,
 - b. The person is a former referee,
 - c. The person has no other duties assigned by the Organiser,
 - d. The person has proven background and experience in Beach Volleyball.
- §2 The duties of a Referee manager are:
 - a. To liaise between the Organiser and the CEV Referee Coach,
 - b. To provide assistance to the CEV Referee Coach, the CEV Supervisor and the referees,
 - c. To coordinate all refereeing logistical requirements,
 - d. Those mentioned in the CEV Guidelines.
- §3 In case no Referee Coach is assigned/present in an event, the Referee Manager takes the responsibility of the Referee Coach and will work in collaboration with the European Refereeing Commission and the CEV Supervisor of the respective event.

50. TOURNAMENT FUNCTIONS

50.1 Match Announcer

- §1 A Match announcer is able to communicate in English and in the native language of the Organiser.

50.2 Administrative Director

The following are the main responsibilities of an Administrative Director:

- a. Supports event's operations by supervising staff; planning, organizing, and implementing administrative systems,
- b. Serves as the main contact for the NFs, CEV Delegates and Referees and the players,
- c. Coordinates local transportation and accommodation for CEV Delegates, Referees, players and their entourage.

50.3 Competition Directors

The following are the main responsibilities of a Competition Directors:

- a. Acts as the highest authority at the venue under the Tournament Director and the CEV Supervisor,
- b. Coordinates all technical aspects of the event – schedule, competition courts and facilities, equipment, sport technology used at the event, result update,
- c. Works closely with the Medical Director, Referee Manager, Court Manager and Technical Manager,
- d. Schedules and coordinates the flow of the tournament including all sport related activities – i.e. set-up/ dismantling of the competition courts, anti-doping activities, Preliminary Inquiry and Technical Meeting times, referee clinics, etc.,
- e. Assists Host NF Delegate in the preparation of the specific events regulations/Practical Info,
- f. Appoints Technical Area Directors/ Managers and volunteers.

50.4 Operations Director

The following are the main responsibilities of an Operations Director:

- a. Reports to the Competition Director,
- b. Prepares the layout and supervises the setting-up of the tournament venue, facilities, equipment, infrastructure and technology as per CEV's requirements,
- c. Ensures the set-up and dismantle of the CEV partner's brand material,
- d. Coordinates security and access control at the venue.

50.5 Court Manager

- §1 The following are the main responsibilities of a Court Manager:

- a. Reports to the Competition Director,
- b. Coordinates all activities related to the Field of Play (FOP),
- c. Ensures the playing conditions as per CEV Regulations and CEV Guidelines,
- d. Verifies and handles sports equipment and technology used on the FOP as per the CEV Regulations and CEV Guidelines.

- §2 A Court Manager must have one assistant for each court (including warm-up court) to:

- a. Set up the courts and ensure the operations and maintenance (sound system, seats, panels, scoreboards, litescore, etc.),
- b. Verify the sand condition and apply the necessary measures to improve it (i.e. watering or roto-tilling of the court),
- c. Verify the protocols related to marshalling, security and access control, couriers, supply of water and towels, locker rooms, working areas, VIP section and stands, awarding ceremony, etc.,

- d. Check the equipment and supplies (availability of poles, nets, reserve balls, pads and other sport material),
- e. Resolve contingency issues on the competition courts.

50.6 Technical Manager

The following are the main responsibilities of a Technical Manager:

- a. Reports to the Competition Director and the CEV Supervisor,
- b. Coordinates all IT matters,
- c. Ensures the necessary hardware and running of the Volleyball Information System (VIS), the CEV e-scoresheet and the CEV Statistics,
- d. Guarantees issuing the competition schedule,
- e. Verifies update of event information and results, on the CEV website.

50.7 Promotion and Marketing Director

The following are the main responsibilities of a Promotion and Marketing Director:

- a. Reports to the Tournament Director,
- b. Works with the Tournament Director, Media Operations Director/Local Media Officer to prepare an effective marketing plan, including promotion, media and PR actions,
- c. Handles activities related to advertising space in the media,
- d. Seeks promotion opportunities,
- e. Produces and distributes the official program, poster, brochures, media kits, etc. in collaboration with the Administrative and Media Operations Directors,
- f. Handles ticketing strategy and sales,
- g. Coordinates production of the event at the venue.

50.8 Statisticians

The following are the main responsibilities of a Statistician:

- a. Records official players' and teams' statistics for each match using CEV provided application and following official guidelines
- b. Records and uploads match video footage for analysis purposes, ensuring accessibility for post-match review and performance evaluation.,

51. MEDICAL

51.1 Local Medical doctor

- §1 A Local medical doctor is the individual responsible for all medical related topics of the Organiser.
- §2 The Local medical doctor shall provide assistance to the CEV Medical Delegate (if one is assigned) and the CEV Supervisor.
- §3 The duties of a Local medical doctor are:
 - a. To coordinate all medical related items,
 - b. To conduct the medical examination of Match officials during a CEV competition.
- §4 The Organiser shall appoint at least one Local medical doctor who shall be present at the Venue for the entire Competition.

51.2 Local Physiotherapist

- §1 A Local Physiotherapist supports the Local Medical doctor.

51.3 Availability

- §1 The Local medical doctor and the Local Physiotherapists shall be present at the Venue from 30 minutes before the start of the first match to 30 minutes after the last match of the day.

52. MEDIA

52.1 Appointment

§1 The Media workforce is appointed as follows:

CEV competition	Media Operations Director/Local Media officer	Local photographer	Local videographer	TV & Digital Coordinator
CEV Beach Volleyball European Championship - CEV EuroBeachVolley				
All levels	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
CEV Age Group Beach Volleyball European Championships				
All levels	Yes	Yes	Optional	Yes
CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup				
Final phase	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Other levels	Yes	Yes	Optional	Optional
CEV Beach Volleyball Queen & King of the Court Final				
All levels	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
CEV Beach Volley European Cup				
All levels	Yes	Yes	Optional	Optional

52.2 Media Operations Director/Local Media officer

§1 A Media Operations Director/Local Media officer is the individual responsible for all media related topics of the Organiser.

§2 A Media Operations Director/Local Media officer has the following profile:

- a. A Beach 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 Media Operations Director/Local Media officer are:

- a. To collaborate with the CEV Media officer and the CEV Officials and personnel on site,
- b. To create and distribute information to the CEV and the media,
- c. To ensure an adequate coverage of the CEV competition
- d. To provide the CEV with the required information,
- e. To supervise the set-up of all media facilities at the Competition venue,
- f. To develop a professional, national, regional and local media campaign,
- g. To provide the media attending and not attending the match with information,
- h. To issue accreditation for the media attending the CEV competition,
- i. To conduct the media conferences and the operations in the Mixed zone and fulfil the requirements related to them,
- j. Those mentioned in the CEV Guidelines.

52.3 Local photographer

§1 A Local photographer has the following profile:

- a. A professional and experienced sport photographer.

§2 A Local Photographer shall provide the CEV with high quality pictures as per the guidelines received by the CEV.

52.4 Local videographer

§1 A Local videographer has the following profile:

- a. Able to communicate in English (writing/speaking),
- b. Able to film and edit long as well as short form video content as per the guidelines received by the CEV.

52.5 TV & Digital coordinator

- §1 A TV & Digital operations coordinator has the following profile:
- a. Fluent in English (speaking/writing) and can communicate with a large range of stakeholders such as technicians, TV producers/directors and CEV Sport Media Agency representatives,
 - b. Has a knowledge in sport broadcast and TV production matters and is able to communicate with broadcast stakeholders.

Chapter 8: Transportation

53. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- §1 Transportation of a Team/Club/National Federation delegation, CEV Official, CEV Commercial partner 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 (not applicable for CEV Commercial partner),
 - Local transportation between the arrival and departure venue, the Venue and the hotels.
- §2 Transportation of a Team, CEV Official and referee is arranged by the organiser according to the following table and article 40:

CEV competition	Transportation arrangement		
	Art. 53. §1 a	Art. 53. §1 c	Art53. §1 c
All CEV competitions			
Players in the Main Draw phase & Official delegation members*	-	-	Yes
Players in other phases	-	-	-
CEV Official	-	Yes	Yes
Referee	-	Yes	Yes

- §3 The transportation of Team Officials for CEV Eurobeachvolley and CEV Queen & King of the court European Final may be arranged, only after the distribution of costs is agreed with the organiser.
- §4 The transportation for Team Officials for all CEV Competitions is regulated in the respective Official Communications document.

54. ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE VENUE

54.1 General provisions

- §1 An arrival and departure venue which fulfils the following requirements is used:
- The venue is an international airport,
 - The venue hosts regular transport companies,
 - The arrival venue is the closest one 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/Club/National Federation 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 organisation of a CEV competition.

54.2 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 chose the closest venue with available transportation options.

- §2 Before the booking, the Organiser must contact and coordinate with the CEV Official or referee concerning the proposed travel plan.
- §3 A CEV Official or a referee receives the travel tickets and relevant information at least 2 weeks before the start of the CEV competition.
- §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 respective CEV Commission. 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:
 - a. The company proposes at least two classes of seating,
 - b. The company proposes connecting flights,
 - c. The company, in case of delay or cancelation, is able to immediately propose and reserve a new flight,
 - d. The company proposes a global price without additional charges for a usual luggage.

54.3 Team/Club/National Federation delegation

- §1 A Team/Club/National Federation delegation shall inform the Organiser about its travel schedule by providing the relevant CEV form, within the set timeline in the Practical Info document. before the start of the CEV competition. Failing to do so, such Team shall organise itself its local transportation.

55. LOCAL TRANSPORTATION

- §1 Local transportation is arranged as follows:
 - a. For a Team delegation: by bus,
 - b. For a CEV Official: by car,
 - c. For a referee: by car or mini-bus.

56. VISA

- §1 In some Host countries, the entrance of a Team/Club/NF delegation, CEV officials and referees in the territory of such countries requires the authorisation of national authorities.
- §2 A Player shall fulfil the required formalities in order to obtain such authorisation, as soon as the registration of such Player in a CEV competition is confirmed.
- §3 All Team delegations members, CEV Officials and referees that need an entry visa to the Host Country need to request it to the organising National Federation to 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 9: Accommodation

57. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- §1 Accommodation of a Team/Club/National Federation delegation, CEV Official, CEV Commercial partner and referee is composed of the following:
- Rent of hotel rooms,
 - 3 daily meals,
 - Internet connection.
- §2 The accommodation of a Team, CEV Official and referee is arranged according to the following table and article 40:

CEV competition	Accommodation arrangement		
	Team	CEV Official & Commercial partner	Referee
CEV Beach Volleyball European Championship - CEV EuroBeachVolley			
Main Draw phase	Yes	Yes	Yes
CEV Age Group Beach Volleyball European Championships			
Main Draw phase	Yes	Yes	Yes
Other phases	Yes	Yes	Yes
CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup			
All levels	Yes	Yes	Yes
CEV Queen & King of the Court European Final			
All phases	-	Yes	Yes
CEV Beach Volley European Cup			
All levels	-	Yes	Yes

- §3 The accommodation of Team Officials may be arranged, only after the distribution of costs is agreed with the relevant Team delegation.
- §4 In the CEV Age Group Beach Volleyball Championships and the CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup the accommodation for a number of Team Officials is arranged as detailed in the respective Official Communications documents.

58. HOTEL

- §1 Hotels of good category located within a walking distance from the Venue are recommended.
- §2 Should the hotel be in non-walking distance a shuttle service shall be offered.
- §3 CEV Officials & CEV Commercial partners are accommodated in single rooms. Referees are accommodated in twin rooms with twin beds. A Team delegation is accommodated in twin rooms with twin beds.

59. NUTRITION

- §1 The following is provided:
- 3 meals per day: breakfast, lunch and dinner,
 - 2 warm meals per day,
 - Adequate quantity of mineral water in closed bottles without gas, soft drinks, fruits and snacks; during all competition days.
- §2 Team delegations, CEV Officials and referees are provided the meals available at their arrival and departure hours.
- §3 Requirements of article 34.4 are fulfilled.

Chapter 10: Meetings

60. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- §1 Meetings are either arranged in the Venue or in one of the hotels used by the Organiser.
- §2 The Organiser shall arrange the following meetings:
- a. General organisation meeting,
 - b. Venue homologation,
 - c. Preliminary inquiry,
 - d. Refereeing clinic,
 - e. Daily refereeing meeting,
 - f. Daily meeting,
 - g. Closing meeting,
 - h. TV/Digital meeting,
- §3 The Organiser may arrange a Technical meeting. In that case the Organiser needs to inform the CEV through the Practical Information document, latest 2 months prior to the event.
- §4 Adequate facilities are provided in order to ensure the following:
- a. The users are able to easily fulfil their duties,
 - b. The meetings are held according to professional and high level standards.

61. 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, when appointed, shall attend this meeting:
- a. The CEV Supervisor,
 - b. The Tournament director,
 - c. Any CEV Officials and assigned CEV staff on site,
 - d. The National Federation Delegate.
 - e. Any other Local Organising committee member invited by the CEV Supervisor or the Tournament Director.

62. VENUE HOMOLOGATION

- §1 The Venue homologation is held no later than two hours before the start of the first Preliminary Inquiry. It is carried out by the CEV Supervisor.
- §2 Purposes of the Venue homologation are as follows:
- a. To ensure that the match is played in accordance with the Official Beach Volleyball Rules and organised according to the FIVB regulations and CEV Regulatory Framework,
 - b. To ensure that the Organiser fulfilled the obligations mentioned in article 71. §2.
- §3 The following individuals shall attend this meeting:
- a. The CEV Supervisor,
 - b. The National Federation Delegate,
 - c. The Tournament director.

63. PRELIMINARY INQUIRY

- §1 A Preliminary Inquiry is held on the day of the start of the Country Quota Playoffs phase and the day before each next phase. It is carried out by the relevant CEV Official in collaboration with the Organiser, between 13:00 and 20:00.
- §2 Purpose of such meeting is to verify items concerning Teams.
- §3 The following individuals, when appointed, shall attend this meeting:
- a. The relevant CEV Official,

- b. The Tournament director,
 - c. Both Players of the Team.
- §4 A Team delegation member is confirmed by the CEV Supervisor when the elements provided are complete and in accordance with the relevant CEV forms.

64. TECHNICAL MEETING

- §1 Upon request from the Organiser or the CEV, a Technical meeting is held the day before the Qualification Tournament and the Main Draw. For the CEV Age Group Beach Volleyball European Championships, the Technical meeting is mandatorily held.
- §2 It is carried out by the CEV Supervisor.
- §3 The purpose of such meeting is to provide information concerning the CEV competition.
- §4 The following individuals, when appointed, shall attend this meeting:
- a. All CEV Officials,
 - b. The Organiser,
 - c. The National Federation Delegate,
 - d. All Players qualified to the relevant phase or, in the CEV Age Group Beach Volleyball Championships, a Team Official and the Players,
 - e. Any other individual approved by the CEV Supervisor.
- §5 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 §4, in order to communicate specific information.

65. CLOSING MEETING

- §1 A Closing meeting is carried out by the CEV Supervisor.
- §2 The purpose of such meeting is to present and discuss on the relevant CEV form (article 25.4 §2) prepared by the CEV Supervisors.
- §3 The following individuals, when appointed, shall attend this meeting:
- a. The CEV Representative,
 - b. The CEV Supervisor,
 - c. Any CEV Officials and assigned CEV staff on site,
 - d. The CEV Referee Coach,
 - e. The Organiser,
 - f. The National Federation's Delegate.

66. 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.
- §2 The purpose of such meeting is to settle all issues stemming during the day.
- §3 The following individuals shall attend this meeting:
- a. Any CEV Officials and assigned CEV staff on site ,
 - b. The Tournament Director,
 - c. The National Federation's Delegate.
 - d. Members of the Local organising committee.

67. 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.
- §2 Purposes of such meeting are as follows:

- a. To ensure the same interpretation and application of the Official Beach 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,
 - b. All Match officials,
 - c. All National Technical officials.

68. DAILY REFEREEING MEETING

- §1 A daily refereeing meeting is carried out by the CEV Referee Coach.
- §2 Purposes of such meeting are as follows:
- a. To evaluate the refereeing performances of the previous days,
 - b. To confirm the appointment of the day, where possible.
- §3 The following individuals shall attend this meeting:
- a. The CEV Referee Coach,
 - b. The Referee Manager,
 - c. All referees,
 - d. Any person involved in refereeing items.

69. TV MEETING

- §1 A TV/Digital meeting is generally held one day prior to the start of the first produced match (if applicable, several TV meetings may also be scheduled afterwards to ensure a professional broadcast).
- §2 The main purpose of such meeting is:
- a. Ensure that broadcast standards are respected and fulfilled throughout the event.
 - b. Confirm and coordinate the actions and timelines between the competition and production team
- §3 The following individuals shall attend this meeting (if applicable):
- a. CEV Supervisor,
 - b. CEV Referee Coach,
 - c. CEV Staff on-site,
 - d. TV & Digital Coordinator,
 - e. CEV Sport Media Agency representatives,
 - f. Production team (TV Director, etc.).

Chapter 11: Accreditation and security

70. ACCREDITATION

70.1 General provisions

- §1 The Venue is divided into various areas which access is either open to the public or restricted (article 45.1).
- §2 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.
- §3 The CEV Supervisor shall inform the CEV Referee Coach and the Organiser about the decision to grant access to other individuals to the Competition area.
- §4 An accreditation plan is developed with regard to the seating and parking availability. Individuals mentioned in these regulations are provided with an accreditation and access to the adequate areas. Individuals do not enter an area they are not accredited for. If required and provided by the CEV, the CEV accreditation system shall be used by the organiser.

70.2 Media

- §1 The Media Operations Director/Local Media officer provides the relevant CEV form to any media applying for an accreditation.
- §2 Once the application is returned and verified, the Media Operations Director/Local Media officer issues such accreditation before the media arrival at the Venue.
- §3 Accreditation of a media is valid for one CEV competition.
- §4 Vests are provided to all accredited photographers and TV crew.

71. SECURITY

- §1 The Organiser shall set the adequate measures and provide the adequate means 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 Venue,
 - c. The safety of any individual present in the Venue and hotel,
 - d. The enforcement of the accreditation plan,
 - e. The safety of any facility of the CEV stakeholders in and around the Venue,
 - f. The Organiser security workforce is on duty at least one hour before the start of a match.
- §2 The Organiser shall inform well in advance the local authorities and collaborate with them regarding all the necessary measures to be taken.

Chapter 12: Information

72. CEV COMPETITIONS INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

72.1 General provisions

- §1 Before and after each CEV competition, the relevant CEV forms and documents are provided to the CEV. Refer to article 24.

73. GENERAL INFORMATION

- §1 The CEV stakeholders are informed via the event's webpage.
- §2 Information is distributed to the CEV Officials, Referees and Players at their respective information boards and in a digital version; from the evening of the first Preliminary Inquiry to the day of the end of the CEV competition.

74. MEDICAL

- §1 The relevant information mentioned in the CEV Guidelines is provided.

Chapter 13: Organiser miscellaneous

75. MATCH TECHNOLOGY

75.1 General provisions

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

- a. e-Scoresheet for Volleyball (e-Scoresheet)
- b. Click & Scout Media
- c. Video Sharing
- d. Volleyball Information System (VIS);
- e. Challenge system
- f. Wireless headsets and microphones for referees

§2 For each match, the following softwares are provided and used as follows:

CEV competition	Use of the E-scoresheet	Use of the CEV Statistics	Use of Video Sharing
CEV Beach Volleyball European Championship - CEV EuroBeachVolley	Yes	Yes	Yes
CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup	Yes	Yes	Optional
CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup (only Final phase)	Yes	Yes	Yes
CEV Queen & King of the Court – European Finals	N/A	N/A	N/A
CEV Beach Volley European Cup	Yes	Yes	Optional
FIVB/CEV Future events (Beach Pro Tour)	Yes	Yes	Optional
CEV Age Group Volleyball European Championships	Yes	Yes	Optional

75.2 Usage of the e-Scoresheet for Volleyball, Click & Scout Media, Video Sharing and VIS softwares. The softwares should be operated by following the respective regulations and user guidelines documentations:

- §1 E-Scoresheet or Scoresheet are the only official software or document, 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 for CEV purposes.
- §2 Click & Scout Media 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 for CEV purposes.
- §3 Video Sharing is a software operated by a designated Statistician to upload and download match video recordings and statistics.
- §4 VIS is official beach competitions management system that officially records teams registration, competition fixtures information, calculate ranking and seed points.
- §5 CEV provides the necessary log-in credentials or licenses (including username & password) for above software's to the Organiser prior to the start of the CEV Competition.

75.3 The Organiser must provide free-of-charge the following facilities and resources during the CEV Competition to operate the eScoresheet, Click & Scout Media, Video Sharing and VIS 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 eScoresheet via LAN cable and for Click & Scout Media Wi-Fi connection, with a minimum speed of 10 Mb/s for both upload and download, along with the necessary power supply.
- §4 Execute e-Scoresheet and Click & Scout Media match tests in the competition court one (1) day before the start of the CEV Competition.
- §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 Click & Scout Media 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.
- §8 Prohibition of any illegal or non-authorized collection, archiving and distribution of match related data and statistics during all CEV Competitions matches.

75.4 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.

75.5 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 other Match Officials to clarify any issue regarding a decision.

76. ENTERTAINMENT

- §1 During a match, 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 Beach Volleyball Rules. The Entertainment activities shall be presented to the CEV and the Supervisor for confirmation beforehand.

77. CEREMONIES

77.1 General provisions

- §1 In case of several Venues, local ceremonies in the several Centre courts may be organised.
- §2 Team delegations shall attend the ceremonies.

77.2 Opening ceremony

- §1 Upon request from the CEV or proposal from the Organiser, an Opening ceremony is organised.

77.3 Awarding and closing ceremony

- §1 An Awarding ceremony is organised on the Centre court.
- §2 The programme and layout area are according to the CEV Guidelines. They are submitted to the CEV Supervisor, for approval. Such documents are then communicated to the relevant individuals.
- §3 A full rehearsal the day before the Awarding ceremony, with all involved individuals, is performed.

78. PRIZES OF HONOUR

78.1 Cup and Trophies

- §1 A Team/Club/NF delegation, placed first after the last match of a CEV competition, receives a cup.
- §2 Teams/Clubs/NF delegations, placed second and third after the last match of a CEV competition, receive a trophy.
- §3 At the sole exception of the cup of the CEV Beach Volleyball European Championship – CEV EuroBeachVolley, CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup Final and CEV Queen & King of the Court European Final which are provided by the CEV, the Organiser shall provide the cup and trophies of a CEV competition. The layout of the cup and trophies is submitted to the CEV, for approval.

78.2 Medals

- §1 Each Team member receives a gold, silver or bronze medal when placed first, second or third after the last match of a CEV competition.
- §2 The CEV provides the medals.

79. TRAINING

- §1 All training sessions shall take place between 09:00 and 19:00.
- §2 The conditions of the training sessions are even for all Teams.
- §3 For training, one Court per gender is made available no later than 2 days before the start of the CEV competition.

80. WARMING-UP AREA(S)

- §1 If available, Teams 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.

81. UNIFORMS

§1 The Organiser shall provide the jerseys of the Players (article 20.5) as follows:

CEV competition	Jerseys provided by the Organiser
CEV Beach Volleyball European Championship - CEV EuroBeachVolley	Yes
CEV Age Group Beach Volleyball European Championships	Optional
CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup	Yes (Final phase only)
CEV Queen and King of the Court European Final	Yes
CEV Beach Volley European Cup	-

§2 When the provision of the jerseys is optional and the Organiser would like to provide them, it shall inform the CEV no later than three months before the start of the CEV competition.

§3 The number of jerseys mentioned in the CEV Guidelines is provided. The layout of the jerseys is submitted to the CEV, for approval.

Section 6: Exploitation of Rights

Chapter 14: CEV Properties and Rights

82. 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 article 82. §1 at its sole discretion to a Commercial partner, National Federation or Organiser.
- §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 National Federation 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 National Federation or Organiser may sub-grant all or part of the above mentioned rights granted, only after a written agreement with the CEV.
- §6 Unless otherwise specified, each, any and all rights are granted from the day of the CEV registration approval to the day after the last match of a CEV competition.
- §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.
- §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.

83. 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, National Federation or Organiser 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 or National Federation 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 their Teams shall support the activities and side events related to a CEV competition.

Chapter 15: Identification markers

84. CEV

- §1 A CEV competition is easily and immediately identifiable as a CEV event.
- §2 A CEV competition is refereed to, in written or orally, by using the CEV and CEV competition identification markers only.
- §3 The CEV and CEV competition identification markers are used and/or exploited with the dimension, language, wording, colours, shape, materials and presentation set by the CEV.
- §4 National Federations and the Organiser 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 The CEV, CEV competition and Commercial partners identification markers are displayed in each, any and all print and digital materials related to a CEV competition
- §6 National Federations and the Organiser shall comply with article 84. They shall ensure that their members, officials, representatives, employees, individuals registered via a licence or under their authority comply with it too.

Chapter 16: Commercial rights

85. ADVERTISING RIGHTS

85.1 Advertisement on the print and digital materials

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

85.2 Advertisement on Team delegation

85.2.1 General provisions

- §1 The Organiser is granted the non-exclusive right to display advertisement on the Athletes Uniform if Uniforms are provided by the Organiser. Advertisement on the Uniform is according to Official Beach Volleyball Rules and the CEV Guidelines or Event Handbook.
- §2 The list of advertisement to be displayed is submitted to the CEV, for approval, before the deadline set by the CEV
- §3 Any change of the advertisement content or shape requires 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.

85.3 Advertisement on other individuals

- §1 The Organiser is granted the non-exclusive right to display advertisement on the equipment of its workforce, the CEV Officials, Match officials and Referees as per CEV Guidelines or Event Handbook.
- §2 The list of advertisement to be displayed is submitted to the CEV, for approval, before the deadline set by the CEV.

85.4 Advertisement in the Competition venue

85.4.1 General provisions

- §1 The Organiser is granted the non-exclusive right to display advertisement on the Advertising spaces.
- §2 The list of advertisement to be displayed is submitted to the CEV, for approval, before the deadline set by the CEV.
- §3 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.
- §4 When 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. In any case, they are covered with the purposes to fully conceal them from the public and to not recognise them.

85.4.2 Competition area

- §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 Any materials used fulfil the requirements set by the CEV.
- §4 A dynamic advertisement system - LED system - instead of a static one may be used after the CEV approval. The total rotating sequence, content, sequences and timing for the advertisement to be displayed on a LED system is defined by the CEV.

86. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

- §1 National Federations 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 the last match of a CEV competition for the said competition organisation and promotion and Beach Volleyball promotion.
- §2 The CEV reserves the exclusive right to use official titles and designation related to a CEV competition.

87. OTHER RIGHTS

- §1 The Organiser is granted the non-exclusive right to carry out activities in the 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 latters and the required materials.

88. MEDIA RIGHTS

88.1 General provisions

- §1 The CEV shall inform National Federations about the distribution of the Media rights.
- §2 The Organiser is granted only the non-exclusive domestic media rights in its Host Country, for a given period and in relation to the relevant CEV Competition indicated in the table below in section 7, article 100. For the avoidance of any doubt, all other media rights not indicated are solely retained by the CEV.
- §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 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 the CEV is granting to the Organiser the non-exclusive domestic media rights, the Organiser must arrange at its own cost for the World Feed signal in relation to the relevant CEV Competition and the provision of such World Feed on an established European satellite in accordance with section 7, article 100 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 In case of a World Feed production, 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 CEV 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 CEV Competition in accordance with section 7, article 100 and the corresponding table. The Organiser may delegate to a third party production company the production and provision of such Streaming Feed.

- §7 In case of a Streaming Feed, the name of the company in charge of producing this Streaming Feed shall be communicated to the CEV no later than two (2) months before the start of the relevant CEV Competition.
- §8 The CEV reserves the rights to promote the CEV Competition on its dedicated social media platforms and websites as well as stream all matches on a live basis of the CEV Club Competitions and National Team Competitions on its digital platforms including but not limited to OTT platforms, YouTube and Facebook.
- §9 In case the Organiser wishes to live stream matches of the CEV Competition on any of its official digital and social platforms (including but not limited to Facebook, YouTube, Twitter, website/OTT and on any video paywall services), the live streaming signal shall always be geo-blocked and only made available for users within the Host Country (i.e. the signal 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 geo blocked (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.
- §10 In addition, live Streaming activities conducted by the Organiser on digital platforms that are not supporting geo-blocking (i.e. Twitch) are duly subject to prior written approval from the CEV and the CEV Sport Media Agency to ensure compliance with right holders exclusivity.
- §11 In case the participating teams (National Federation) to the CEV Competition wish to acquire the media rights of their respective matches for exploitation in their territory and/or their official digital platforms, they 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 the Organiser and the participating teams of the CEV Competition.

88.2 Additional Rights granted to the National Federations

- §1 Team delegations are granted the non-exclusive right to record any matches for the only purpose of technical analysis of such matches, excluding any commercial purposes unless a Video Sharing process is set in place by the Organiser.
- §2 Team delegations shall request an authorisation to the CEV and the Organiser for the concerned individuals and the camera used; before the relevant Preliminary Inquiry.
- §3 Team delegations may only grant access to such recording to the Team delegation members.
- §4 Team delegations shall ensure the following:
- Such recording remain under their supervision and control,
 - Such recording are not sold, distributed, transmitted or broadcasted.

89. REQUIREMENTS

89.1 Commercial partners' activities

- §1 Upon request from the CEV, the necessary areas in the Venue for the Commercial partners' activities are reserved and arranged.

89.2 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 the Organiser shall use such goods, products and/or services in the frame of a CEV competition.
- §2 National Federations and the Organiser 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.

89.3 Promotion

89.3.1 Promotion plan

- §1 The Organiser shall develop a promotional plan, at national, regional and local levels. With the purpose to guarantee a maximum media exposure to the CEV competition.

89.4 Print and digital materials

- §1 The print and digital materials mentioned in the CEV Guidelines are produced and used. The Organiser may develop other print and digital materials.
- §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 and Masterplan & Timeline document.

Section 7: Media

90. PRODUCTION AND BROADCASTING STANDARDS

- §1 The Production and Broadcasting standards are minimum requirements per event category. Such standards are defined and detailed further in the Candidature Application Guideline and the CEV Beach Volleyball Guidelines.

91. FACILITIES & WORKFORCE

- §1 For facilities refer to article 45.
- §2 A request for services and/or facilities by media is provided no later than 2 weeks before the relevant Tournament to the Organiser and/or the CEV Media agency. A request is answered positively as much as possible and according to its resources and their availabilities.
- §3 For workforce refer to article 52.1.

92. 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 Beach Volleyball. The request shall not imply disproportionate costs or efforts for the Organiser.

93. MIXED ZONE

- §1 Team delegation members shall leave the Playing area via the Mixed zone.
- §2 Any broadcasted interview of a Team delegation member is performed with the backdrop immediately behind such Team delegation member. The Organiser shall ensure that the backdrop is positioned accordingly.
- §3 Pre and post-match interviews for the multilateral feed (where required) may be / are carried out in the Competition Area by the CEV and/or by a journalist/media officer assigned by them in English

94. MEDIA CONFERENCE

94.1 Set-up

- §1 A Media conference may be set before and/or after a CEV competition.
- §2 The purpose of such Media conference is to give a maximum local, regional, national and international media exposure to such match, round or phase.
- §3 The CEV Supervisor, the CEV Media officer – if appointed – and the Local Media officer shall approve the organisation of any Media conference.

95. MEDIA CAMPAIGN

- §1 Refer to the promotional plan (article 89.3.1).

96. MEDIA ON SITE

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

97. MEDIA OFF SITE

- §1 At the end of a competition day, a round up in the local language is distributed to all relevant national, regional and local media.

98. SOCIAL AND DIGITAL MEDIA

- §1 Social and digital media channels are used as defined in the respective organiser agreements and handbooks

99. ACCREDITATION

- §1 Refer to article 70.1.

100. BROADCASTING STANDARDS AND PRODUCTION OBLIGATION

- §1 The Broadcasting Standards and Production Obligation indicated hereafter are minimum requirements and will be completed by instructions, broadcast manuals and guidelines provided by the CEV.
- §2 The minimum production obligations per event category are detailed in the following table. Production of additional matches is possible should an organiser wishes to do so under the conditions detailed in the CEV Beach Volleyball Guidelines and on Organiser's production and delivery cost.

CEV Event	Production Responsibility	Minimum Production Obligation	Feed Type / Delivery Method
EuroBeachVolley	CEV Sport Media Agency	Quarter-Final to Final	World Feed/ European satellite
CEV BeachVolley Nations Cup Final	CEV Sport Media Agency	Quarter-Final to Final	World Feed/European satellite
CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup – Preliminary phases	Organiser	Finals	Streaming Feed/ Internet
CEV Queen & King of the Court – European Finals	CEV Sport Media Agency	Group stage/Quarter finals to Finals	World Feed/European satellite
CEV Beach Volley European Cup	Organiser	Semi-Final & Finals	Streaming Feed/Internet
FIVB/CEV Future Events in Europe (Beach Pro Tour)	Organiser	Semi Finals & Finals	Streaming Feed/ Internet
Age Group BV European Championships	Organiser	Semi-Final & Finals	Streaming Feed/ Internet

- §3 In case of optional production obligation the Organiser shall inform the CEV and of its intention of producing no later than two (2) months prior to the start of the event and shall arrange at its own the production and delivery cost.

Section 8: Finance

101. PAYMENT OF THE FEES

- §1 All the fees mentioned in Section 8 shall be paid to the CEV, unless otherwise specified.
- §2 All the fees to be paid to the CEV are wired to the following bank account, unless otherwise specified:
 Bank name: BGL BNP Paribas
 BIC (swift): BGLLLULL
 IBAN number: LU12 0030 4427 2960 1000
- §3 Payment to the CEV is made at the receipt of the invoice.
- §4 Payment to the CEV shall be made through the National Federations and net of any bank charges. The bank transfer shall mention the invoice number.

102. COMPETITION FEES

102.1 Registration fee

- §1 The Registration fee, also called Entry fee, is a one-time fee paid for each Team in order to enter one or more CEV competitions during a calendar year. The Registration fee is only imposed to Main Draw teams.
- §2 A Team which entered a CEV competition and is willing to enter another CEV competition does not pay the Entry fee of the latter. A Team made up of Players which already participated in a CEV competition but did not register to such competition together, counts as a new Team.
- §3 This fee is refundable when a National Federation withdraws a Team as per article 20.3.
- §4 The amount of the Entry fee is as follows:

CEV competition	Registration fee	
	In figures	In letters
CEV Beach Volleyball European Championship - CEV EuroBeachVolley	100 €	One hundred Euros
CEV Age Group Beach Volleyball European Championships	100 €	One hundred Euros
Other CEV competitions	0 €	Zero Euros

- §5 When the registration of a Team to a CEV competition is submitted after the deadline set by the CEV, the Registration fee is as follows:

CEV competition	Registration fee	
	In figures	In letters
CEV Beach Volleyball European Championship - CEV EuroBeachVolley	500 €	Five hundred Euros
CEV Age Group Beach Volleyball European Championships	250 €	Two hundred fifty Euros

102.2 Participation fee

- §1 The Participation fee is a fee paid per team/club and per edition by National Federations registering in the CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup and the CEV Beach Volley European Cup.
- §2 The Participation fee is applied once per season and per gender
- §3 The amount of the Participation fee is communicated in the respective Official Communications documents,

102.3 Licence fee

- §1 The Licence fee is a fee paid for each Player in order to register such Player in a CEV competition. For the CEV Beach Volley European Cup, a License fee is applied for all athletes registered, irrespective if the athlete has participated in any other CEV competition.
- §2 The amount of the Licence fee is 50 € (fifty Euros) and is applied as follows:

CEV Competition	Licence fee	
	In figures	In letters
CEV Beach Volley European Cup	50 €	Fifty Euros
CEV Beach Volleyball Competitions	50 €	Fifty Euros

102.4 Substitution fee

- §1 The Substitution fee is a fee paid for the change of a Player in a Team after the Confirmed List deadline. The fee only applies in the CEV Beach Volleyball European Championship - CEV EuroBeachVolley.
- §2 The amount of the Substitution fee is 50 € (fifty Euros).

102.5 Late arrival fee

- §1 The Late arrival fee is a fee paid for a late but authorised (by the CEV Supervisor) arrival at a Preliminary Inquiry or Technical meeting.
- §2 The amount of the Late arrival fee is 50 € (fifty Euros) per team. Special cases of late arrival may only be considered upon proof of "Force Majeure" reason, such as cancelation of the flight by the airline company, transportation failure, etc. Such proof must be communicated to the CEV Supervisor assigned, with a copy to CEV Beach Volleyball Dept. at beach@cev.eu, in due time before the start of the Preliminary Inquiry. Should such case be justified, no fine will be applied.

102.6 Withdrawal fee

- §1 After the confirmed list until 3 days before the start of the Preliminary Inquiry (4:00 pm Luxembourg time), the amount of a withdrawal fee is 50 Euros
- §2 After 4:00 PM Luxembourg time, 3 days before the start of the Preliminary Inquiry, the withdrawal fee amounts to: (add a table)

CEV Competition	Withdrawal fee
CEV Age Group Beach Volleyball European Championships	QT 100 €
CEV Age Group Beach Volleyball European Championships	MD 200 €
CEV EuroBeachVolley	1,000 €

102.7 CEV medical insurance fee

- §1 The CEV Medical insurance fee is paid by the CEV for each insured individual. The CEV Medical Insurance Fee is included in the license fee.

102.8 Organisation fee

- §1 There is no organisation fee to be paid in order to organise a CEV competition; unless otherwise specified in the respective Candidature Application document.

103. ORGANISATION COSTS

103.1 General provisions

- §1 Unless specified otherwise, the Organiser shall bear the costs related to the rights granted and obligations mentioned above and in the CEV Regulatory Framework.

103.2 Per diem costs

- §1 The per diem costs are composed of a daily amount paid to CEV Officials and Neutral and Challenge 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 Organizer in writing. The Organiser and the appointed Official are responsible for communicating to each other their financial details.

103.3 Transportation costs

- §1 The transportation costs are only composed of the costs for the elements mentioned in article 53. §1.
- §2 Transportation costs are borne according to article 103.6 §5 and article 8.3 of the CEV General Regulations.

103.4 Accommodation costs

- §1 The accommodation costs are only composed of the costs for the elements mentioned in article 57. §1.
- §2 Accommodation costs are borne according to article 103.6 §5.

103.5 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 as defined by the respective issuing authorities. Additional costs related to issuing of a visa such as agencies fees shall be borne by the person requesting a visa.

103.6 Distribution of costs

- §1 Only the transportation and accommodation costs during the Stay period are covered.
- §2 The National Federation of a Team Official shall bear the costs related to this official. The National Federation and the Organiser shall agree on the amount of the costs. At the sole exception of:
 - a. the CEV Age Group Beach Volleyball European Championships where this amount equals EUR 100 (one hundred Euros) per day for only one Team Official.
 - b. The CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup where this amount equals EUR 100 (a hundred Euros) per day and per person for each Official Delegation member
- §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 a Team failed to inform the Organiser about its arrival (article 54.3), this Team shall bear the costs of the transportation from the arrival and departure venue to the hotel.
- §5 The transportation and accommodation costs are borne by the party arranging transportation and accommodation according to article 53 and 57.

104. PRIZE MONEY

- §1 For each CEV competition, the amount of the prize money is set by the Board of Administration, communicated through the Official Communication documents and distributed to the Players via the National Federations.

105. ORGANISATION INCOMES

- §1 The following incomes are granted to the Organiser:
- a. Ticketing incomes,
 - b. Incomes from the Commercial rights granted,
 - c. Subsidies and funding from all governmental or other local and sporting authorities.

106. PROTEST

- §1 A deposit of 300 Euros shall be paid for any protest raised.
- §2 When the protest is rejected on the merits or on the form, the party which lodged the protest shall pay a fee according to the following table:

CEV competition	Protest fee	
	In figures	In letters
CEV Beach Volleyball European Championship - CEV EuroBeachVolley	500 €	Five hundred Euros
CEV Beach Volleyball Nations Cup Final	500 €	Five hundred Euros
Other CEV competitions	250 €	Two hundred and fifty Euros

- §3 When the protest is done during a match on a Side court, the amounts stated in the above table are reduced by half.
- §4 During a CEV competition, when there are several protests from the same Team, the amount of the fee is the double of the amount of the previous protest.

107. MISCELLANEOUS

- §1 The Organiser shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the CEV and the National Federations 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 shall hold harmless the CEV and other National Federations 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 or National Federation, by force majeure or a reason outside the influence of the latter, are borne by the damaged person itself.

Section 9: Breach of the Regulations

108. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- §1 A breach of these regulations is a failure. Failure means either the non-performance, lack of success or neglect of an expected or required action or abstention mentioned in these regulations.
- §2 Consequences of a failure are a denial of the application, submission or request of the relevant person and/or a sanction. Financial sanctions are mentioned in article 109 and enforced according to the CEV Disciplinary Regulations.

109. 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 as follows:

Breach of the CEV Beach Volleyball Regulations	Amount of the Financial sanction	
	Minimum	Maximum
1. Information and data		
1.1 Failure to provide a CEV form	350 €	3,000 €
1.2 Failure to provide a match data	350 €	3,000 €
1.3 Failure to provide a document or item	350 €	3,000 €
1.4 Failure to provide accurate information	3,500 €	25,000 €
2. Person		
2.1 Failure to appoint a person	500 €	1,500 €
2.2 Failure to fulfil a profile	350 €	700 €
2.3 Failure to fulfil a duty	350 €	1,400 €
2.4 Failure to attend a meeting, event or match	350 €	5,000 €
2.5 Failure to abstain from action or behaviour	350 €	700 €
3. Court/Venue		
3.1 Failure to comply with the Court layout	1,000 €	25,000 €
3.2 Failure to comply with advertisement on the Court	3,000 €	25,000 €
3.3 Failure to comply with a sand requirement	1,000 €	25,000 €

3.4 Failure to comply with an equipment requirement	3,000 €	25,000 €
3.5 Failure to comply with a Match Technology requirement	700 €	25,000 €
3.6 Failure to comply with the Venue areas and equipment	3,000 €	25,000 €
4. Exploitation of rights		
4.1 Failure to comply with a CEV or Commercial partner right or exclusivity	3,000 €	25,000 €
4.2 Failure to comply with the LED system pro-rata timing set-up	20,000 €	20,000 €
5. Withdrawal – CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup		
5.1 Before the drawing of lots of the Preliminary Phase	500 €	5,000 €
5.2 Following the drawing of lots and before the conduct of the Preliminary Phase	5,000 €	10,000 €
5.3 Qualified for the Final	7,500 €	15,000 €
6. Wrong withdrawal of a Team or substitution of a Player		
6.1 Before the Preliminary Inquiry of the Country Quota Playoffs phase	50 €	
6.2 Before the Preliminary Inquiry of the Qualification Tournament phase	250 €	500 €
6.3 Before the Preliminary Inquiry of the Main Draw phase	1,000 €	2,000 €
7. Team (per Player)		
7.1 Late submission of the CEV BV-01 form	50 €	200 €
7.2 Failure to comply with an Uniform requirement	75 €	500 €
8. Media		
8.1 Failure to provide pictures	700 €	3,000 €
8.2 Failure to comply with a Media requirement	700 €	3,000 €
8.3 Failure to comply with a production or broadcasting standards requirement	15,000 €	100,000 €
8.4 Failure to provide a digital recording	700 €	3,000 €
8.5 Failure to provide a video clip or highlight sequences	700 €	3,000 €
9. Others		
9.1 Failure to comply with the official match protocol	700 €	3,000 €
9.2 Failure to comply with a print or digital material requirement	3,500 €	28,000 €
9.3 Failure to use the LED system with the CEV agreement	2,000 €	20,000€
9.4 Failure to provide proper conditions as in match during a training session	350 €	700 €
9.5 Failure to provide a Team with a training session	700 €	1,400 €
9.6 Failure to comply with an Uniform or clothing requirement	1,000 €	25,000 €
9.7 Failure to comply with an Accommodation requirement	500 €	5,000 €
9.8 Failure to comply with a Transportation requirement	500 €	5,000 €
9.9 Failure to comply with a Security requirement	500 €	5,000 €
9.10 Failure to comply with a Lighting requirement	500 €	10,000 €

9.11 Failure to comply with a provision of an Organiser Agreement	500 €	100,000 €
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- §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 the CEV Regulatory Framework and sent by a Team delegation or the Organiser to the CEV.
- §5 The match data are any data included either in the Scoresheet or the statistics file of a match.
- §6 A required document or item is any document or item mentioned in the CEV Regulatory Framework and sent by a Team delegation or the Organiser to the CEV.
- §7 The amount of a financial sanction for an equipment abuse is according to the following table:

Consequences of the offence Nature of the offence	Simple offence with no further consequences	Match delay or equipment lost / replaced	Match delay or equipment lost / replaced for matches played on Centre court
All CEV competitions			
Abuse of balls, Players' area and Players' uniforms	100 € (if replaced)	250 € (if replaced with delay)	500 €
Abuse of Net system, lines, referee stand, advertising panels and other offences similar in nature	100 €	500 €	2,500 €

- §8 The amount of a financial sanction related to Officials and court personnel abuse is according to the following table:

Consequences of the offence Nature of the offence			
All CEV competitions			
Abuse (verbal or non-verbal) leading to	Penalty	250 €	1,000 €
	Expulsion	500 €	2,500 €
	Disqualification	2,500 €	10,000 €

- §9 When applying the provisions in § 2, the CEV shall refer to the provision(s) which it considers to have been specifically infringed

110. CHANGE CONTROL LIST – APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION 18.03.2025

No.	Art. VBCR	Proposer	Topic	Proposal	Remarks
1.	Section 1 Article 7 Between §32 and §33	BVB Dept	Definition of the Organiser Agreement into the CEV Regulations	<i>Wording to come from Legal dept/ELC</i>	The proposal is to include a definition for the Organiser Agreement which is the binding document used to between CEV and Organiser also in the Regulations
2.	Section 1: General Provisions Article 7 §38	CEV Digital & TV	Streaming Feed definition	Please add following wording in green: "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 (including SRT & RTMP protocols), mobile platforms (APP, Smartphones, etc.) and/or IP-TV.	Ensure clarity to event Organisers for type of internet transmission currently available in the market.
3.	Section 2 Article 10.1 §2	BVB Dept	CEV Entry Rankings	Such Ranking is established according to the principles mentioned in the FIVB Beach Volleyball Sport Operations Manual regarding Athletes Entry Ranking points, unless it is otherwise specified in the respective Official Communication document.	To allow to apply a different calculation of entry ranking if deemed needed for a specific event category. Already the board has approved the EBVC proposal to apply a different ranking for Eurobeachvolley
4.	Section 2 Article 13.1 §6	BVB Dept	General Provisions	A direct qualification for a Team to a level may be granted according to one or more of the following items: a. The CEV Entry Ranking list, b. The appointment of an Organiser (Host country teams), c. Wild cards. d. Any additional process defined in the respective Official Communications document	To cover the allocation of a Host Country sport through a National Qualification procedure subject to CEV approval (currently applicable for Eurobeachvolley)
5.	Section 2 Article 13.4.4 §3	EBVC	Competition method – Pool Play	In a CEV competition, points for won and lost matches are allocated as follows: a. 2 points for the winner of a match, b. 1 point for the loser of a match, 0 point for the Team which forfeits a match. Forfeits are awarded if a team fails to attend a match without a valid reason (i.e. no show) or during a match, for	<i>CEV Disciplinary Regulations</i>

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				example refusing to continue after summoned to do so. The team in question is subject to the CEV/FIVB Disciplinary regulations and may face in addition a monetary sanction or suspension from the CEV competition.	
6.	Section 2 Article 13.5.2 §2	EBVC	Allocation of teams within a level (seeding)	<p>Teams are allocated within a level of a CEV competition according to the CEV Entry Ranking, on the day of the Preliminary Inquiry and after it; unless otherwise specified in the respective Official Communications document.</p> <p>When two or more Teams have the same amount of points in the CEV Entry Ranking, the seeding of the Teams is performed by a drawing of lots., tie shall be broken as follows:</p> <p>The sum of Athlete's FIVB Technical Points as detailed in the FIVB Beach Volleyball Sport Operations Manual,</p>	Following the FIVB practice on the topic and avoiding draws that need additional time
7.	Section 2 Article 13.5.2 §3	EBVC	Allocation of teams within a level (seeding)	<p>In the Main draw, this seeding is performed with the additional following principles:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. The sum of Athletes Entry Ranking Points. The seeding of the organiser best ranked team as communicated in the respective Official Communication b. In case of a Pool play competition method: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. The Teams of the Organiser are allocated in different pools, ii. There is a maximum of 2 Teams from the same National Federation per pool; unless of a substitution of a Team in the CEV Beach Volleyball European Championship - CEV EuroBeachVolley after the issue of the Confirmed list, iii. Teams from the same National Federation play the first match of the pool. iv. c. The above conditions, except condition i; are not applied in case of modified Pool play competition 	Remove the numbering iv which was entered incorrectly and keep point C with further clarification added

No.	Art. VBCR	Proposer	Topic	Proposal	Remarks
8.	Section 2 Article 20.3 §5	EBVC	Withdrawal	Regardless of the reason of such withdrawal, a financial sanction will be inflicted to the concerned player/team, according to the Section 8, article 102.5 unless the team was initially in the tournament reserve list and got awarded the spot to the Main Draw/Qualification. The withdrawn participant shall be held liable for the inflicting costs to other participants as a result of his withdrawal.	Clarification as this point may occur and is in line with the FIVB practice (teams being informed after the confirmed lists are issued may not be capable of attending especially in short notice before the start of the competition and should not be fined for that)
9.	Section 2 Article 24.4.3 §3 and §4	BVB dept	Media kit	§3 A post event report is sent via post. §4 Purpose of such a form is to receive official documents (scoresheets, sign in sheets, etc.), statistics, feedback and other sponsorship data for a level of a CEV competition.	Not relevant in this article, probably a mistake as this point (Post event report) is an additional obligation for the organiser by itself (see next point in the list)
10.	Section 2 Article 24.6 §1 and §2	BVB dept	Post Event Report	§1 A post event report is shared wit the CEV according to the respective instructions shared by the CEV Office §2 Purpose of such a report is to receive official documents (scoresheets-only when e-score does not work-sign in sheets, etc.), statistics, feedback and other sponsorship data for a level of a CEV competition.	See point above
11.	Section 3 Article 26.2 §2	BVB dept	CEV Referee Coach	A CEV Referee Coach has the following profile: c. The person is supported by a National Federation, d. The person should be a member of the CEV European Refereeing Commission or certified by as a CEV/FIVB Referee Coach, e. The person successfully passed the Candidate Referee Coach Seminar, f. The person is able to communicate in English with people from different countries.	Grammar
12.	Section 3 Article 27.1 §1	BVB dept	Referees	b The person is able to communicate in English with people from different countries.	Formating error. Font in bold must be made regular as the rest of the text
13.	Section 5 Article 46 §1	BVB dept	General provisions	The workorce mentioned in this Chapter and an adequate number of individuals are nominated and/or appointed. The work force is skilled and trained enough to exercise and fulfil its assigned duties.	Spelling error

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14.	Section 5 Article 50.6	EBVC	Technical Manager	The following are the main responsibilities of a Technical Manager: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Reports to the Competition Director and the CEV Supervisor, b. Coordinates all IT matters, c. Ensures the necessary hardware and running of the Volleyball Information System (VIS), the CEV e-scoresheet and the CEV Statistics d. Guarantees issuing of the Daily Bulletin and the competition schedule, e. Verifies update of event information and results, on the CEV website. 	Update of the current working practice, Daily bulletins are not any longer produced or circullated, all info is available online
15.	Section 5 Article 50.8	EBVC	Statisticians	The following are the main responsibilities of a Statistician: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> f. records official players' and teams' statistics for each match using CEV provided application and following official guidelines g. records and uploads match video footage for analysis purposes, ensuring accessibility for post-match review and performance evaluation. 	Adding an essential role for the smooth conduct of the CEV competitions which is completely currently missing and is essential CEV requirement
16.	Section 7: Media – Chapter 16 Article 93	CEV Digital & TV	93. Mixed Zone	Please add new §3 as shown below: "§3 : "Pre and post-match interviews for the multilateral feed (where required) may be / are carried out in the Competition Area by the CEV and/or by a journalist/media officer assigned by them in English"	Ensure clarity to the event Organisers for potential media activities to take place during a beach tournament.

No.	Art. VBCR	Proposer	Topic	Proposal	Remarks
17.	Section 7: Media Chapter 16: Article 98	CEV Digital & TV	98. Social & Digital Media	<p>Please remove §1 fully and replace with following wording: §1 "Social and digital media, primarily Facebook, Twitter, YouTube and Instagram are used."</p> <p>§1 The Organiser shall promote the CEV competition on its official digital & social media platforms respecting the competition's Advertising and Commercial rights as detailed in the respective Organiser Agreement "</p> <p>§2 The Organiser shall use content (including video clips & graphic creatives) provided by or confirmed by the CEV in accordance with media rights carve-out for promotion of the CEV competition on its official digital & social media platforms"</p>	Ensure clarity to the event Organiser when it comes to event promotion and content usage.
18.	Section 9 Article 109 §8	Beach dept	Financial Sanctions		Violation should be treated equally within the same competition irrelevant of conducted in the Center or Side court. Allowing a range is on the contrary subjected as all sancitons n this Chapter plus to allow bigger flexibility and depending on th event category (difference if the violation applied to an age group qualifier to Eurobeacvolley)

Consequences of the offence		In-a-match played on Side-court	In-any matches on Centre-court
Nature of the offence		From	To
All CEV competitions			
Abuse (verbal or non-verbal) leading to	Penalty	250 €	500-1000€
	Expulsion	500 €	2,500 €
	Disqualification	2,500 €	5000-10,000 €

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