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Introduction

The **CEV Beach Volley European Cup** is the latest addition to the CEV Beach Volleyball portfolio. Through its introduction in 2023 the competition aims at incorporation Beach Volleyball Clubs in the CEV Beach Volleyball ecosystem, in close collaboration with National Federations and other stakeholders.

Following the very successful two previous editions organised in 2023 in Balikesir, Türkiye, and in 2024 in Montpellier, France, the CEV is now launching the 2025 edition. The CEV Beach Volley European Cup 2025 is planned for the last quarter of 2025, following completion of the qualification process as detailed below.

Men's and Women's competitions will run separately from each other. The 2025 edition of the Beach Volley European Cup will consist of 2 phases: a Preliminary Phase (number to be confirmed at a later stage) and a Final tournament, featuring 8 clubs per gender.

1. Qualification Process

1.1. Zonal Event qualification pathway

Each Zonal Association is entitled to host one qualifying event towards the Beach Volley European Cup. The Zonal Association Club Championship winner obtains the right to compete in the CEV Beach Volley European Cup.

The homologation of the qualifying Zonal Event needs to happen by May 30th 2025, by submitting the Zonal Beach Volleyball Clubs Competition Homologation form. This form contains the relevant organising terms and conditions to host such competition. This event must be concluded by July 13th 2025.

1.2. <u>National Championship qualification pathway</u>

As per the previous editions, each National Federation in entitled to host one or multiple events to qualify Beach Volleyball Clubs to the CEV Beach Volley European Cup.

National Federations with an already existing or planned National Clubs competition shall define and communicate to the CEV the respective information (number of events, process of clubs registration, number of participating clubs etc.) by April 30th, 2025, through the respective National Clubs competition Homologation Form.

The National Beach Volleyball Club competition needs to be concluded by August 31st, 2025, at the latest.

The winner of the National Clubs competition obtain the right to compete in the CEV Beach Volley European Cup 2025. In addition, a 2nd spot is allocated to the 2nd ranked Clubs from the top 4 National Federations in the 2025 CEV Beach Volleyball NF Ranking.

If a Club wins both the Zonal Association Club Championship and its respective National Club competition, the qualification from the Zonal Association Championship will be prioritised. The vacant spot from the National Clubs competition will be granted to the next eligible Club.

1.3. <u>European Cup Final organiser's spot</u>

The organiser of the Final may be a National Federtaion or a Clubs will be confirmed through a Candidature Application process at a later stage and will be granted a spot to the Final.

In case the organiser is the National Federation, the winning Club of the respective National Federation will earn this spot provided that the National Clubs Championship is duly homologated.



In case the organiser is a Club, this will automatically earn the right to participate in the European Cup Final, provided that:

- √ The NF supports the Candidature Application to host the event
- √ The Club participates in their respective homologated National Clubs competition Should the same Club win also the National Championship, the right to participate to the European Cup will be allocated to the next best ranked Club in the National competition.

All qualified Clubs having the right and wish to participate in the Beach Volley European Cup need to be registered by the respective National Federation by September 4th, 2025 through the relevant <u>Registration Application form</u>, while the registration of the athletes due to represent the Clubs is due by September 15th, 2025 through the <u>Registration of Athletes form</u> (see Article 2.2).

2. Competition Parameters

2.1. Competition format

The 2025 edition of the Beach Volley European Cup will consist of 2 phases: a Preliminary Phase and a Final tournament, featuring 8 clubs per gender.

The spots will be allocated as follows:

- In case of up to 7 Club registrations, all Clubs qualify directly to the Final
- In case of more than 7 registrations, the spots to the Final will be allocated through a preliminary phase that will involve all registered Clubs. The preliminary phase will be completed between the following two weekends:
 - o 27th and 28th September 2025
 - o 4th and 5th October 2025

The competition is played in a Club vs Club format where each Beach Volleyball Club participates with 2 teams and a delegation of minimum 4 and maximum 6 athletes, plus minimum 1 coach and a head of delegation.

The preliminary phase will be organised in pools, considering the number of homologated National events and registered club, seeding and geographical criteria and will be detailed in subsequent Official Communications.

Each participating National Federation/Club has the right to apply for the organisation of the Preliminary Phase tournaments. A document detailing the organising conditions will be shared to all NFs/Clubs concerned and will follow the principles applied in the Final in regard to the CEV support and participating Clubs' obligations, yet lower organisational conditions for the organising NF/Beach Volleyball Club will be required.

In case of insufficient number of organisers for the Preliminary Phase these tournaments will be drawn amongst the registered Beach Volleyball Clubs.

2.2. <u>Right of Participation</u>

Any athletes wishing to take part in the CEV Beach Volley European Cup must fully comply with the following requirements:

- Confirm in writing their commitment to representing the respective Club through the <u>CEV Beach Volley European Cup Commitment Form</u>
- Be duly registered in the Volleyball Information System (VIS) and meet the FIVB/CEV eligibility criteria
- Provide the <u>letter of Support from the National Federation of Origin form</u>, in case registered in the VIS by a different National Federation to the one the Club is affiliated



- Submit the Players' Commitment & Health Certificate form as per the CEV instructions
- Have completed both the FIVB "Play Clean" anti-doping course as well as the FIVB elearning course on the Prevention of Competition Manipulation

Only athletes not suspended by CEV and/or FIVB are allowed to participate in the competition. <u>Each athlete may represent only one (1) Club per European Cup season.</u>

2.3. CEV Beach Volley European Cup NF Ranking

The CEV Beach Volley Cup NF ranking reflects the results of each past edition and they current standing of participating National Federations.

Ranking points are allocated to all clubs participating in the CEV Beach Volley European Cup, including those participating in the preliminary phase, and are retained over a period of three years with a percentage of 60% for the points resulting from the most recent edition of the competition, 30% for those from the event held a year earlier and 10% for the remaining edition included in this three-year period

The ranking follows the below scale and will be used for the seeding of Clubs representing their respective NF. The seeding of additional Clubs from the same NF will follow the seeding of all NF champions as per the principle applied in the CEV Volleyball Clubs competitions.

Rank	Points final	Rank	Points preliminary phase
1	100	9	45
2	90	Next*	40
3	80	Next*	35
4	70	Next*	30
5	60	Next*	25
7	50	Next*	20

^{*} The ranking points for those clubs not qualifying to the Final are based on the number of total registrations and the competition format of the preliminary phase tournaments.

2.4. Prize money

A Prize Money of 15,000 EUR will be allocated in the Beach Volley European Cup Final tournament to the top four ranked Beach Volleyball Clubs per gender, as per the following breakdown:

Rank	Prize money (per Club)
1	7,500 €
2	4,000 €
3	2,500 €
4	1,000 €

No prize Money is allocated for the preliminary phase tournaments.

2.5. Rules of the Game

All matches shall be played according to the FIVB Official Beach Volleyball rules in their latest edition.

Exception: The presence of a coach inside the field of play is allowed provided that this coach is duly accredited as per the relevant provisions and timeline. The obligations and rights of



coaches entering the field of play as well as their uniform layout are detailed in the CEV Coaching Regulations document.

2.6. Athletes' Uniforms & Accessories

Each participating Club is responsible for providing all delegations members with uniforms, including the athletes' tops/jerseys. Extensive marketing exploitation of the uniforms with exposure of up to 4 sponsors/supporters remains with the Club and as per the annexed layouts.

In addition, each participating Beach Volley Club retains the right of displaying a Title Sponsor in the official Club's name used for the entire competition.

2.7. <u>Transportation, Board and Lodging</u>

All participating Clubs are responsible for their travel, board and lodging expenses.

3. Financial Regulations

3.1. <u>Participation Fee</u>

To participate in the CEV Beach Volley European Cup, the respective Club shall pay a once off participation fee of 200,- EUR to the CEV through their respective National Federation.

3.2. License Fee

For each athlete participating in the CEV Beach Volley European Cup, each Club shall pay a once off license fee upon receipt of the respective CEV invoice and through the respective National Federation, as defined in the CEV Beach Volleyball Competitions Regulations.

4. Further Information

All necessary information about the competition will be circulated to National Federations by using the Official Communications and the relevant Practical Info documents.

Additional information concerning the competition and the registered teams will be published on the CEV Beach Volley European Cup competition section of the CEV website.

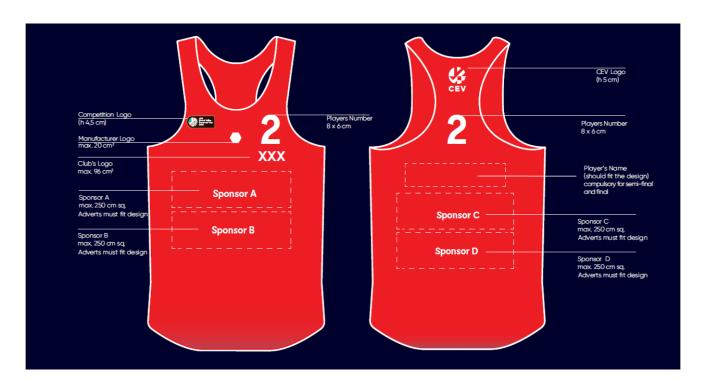
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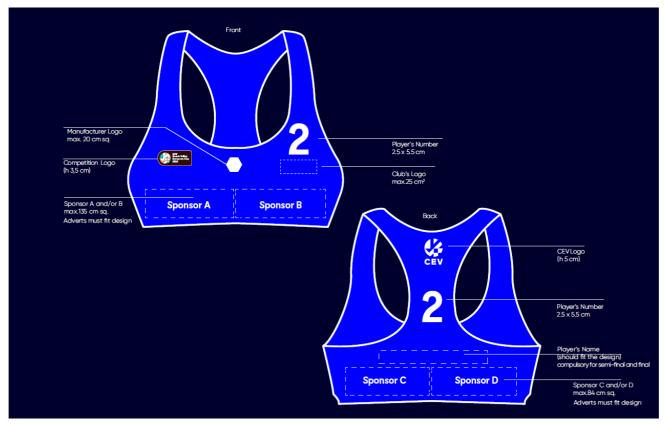
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ANNEX: ATHLETES UNIFORMS LAYOUT





A Club may present less than 2 sponsors on each side of the top or the same sponsor on both the front and back sides. For the shorts/bottoms, any sponsors' appearance shall follow the provisions of the CEV Beach Volleyball Guidelines.

Each Club needs to prepare 2 sets of uniforms (tank tops and shorts/bottoms) in different colours numbered from 1 to 6

