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1. Introduction

By registering for participation in the CEV European Silver League 2025, all the teams commit to following the CEV Competitions Regulations, Guidelines, and Official Communications. The latest version of the 'CEV Volleyball Competitions Regulations' is available here.

All participants are required to be aware of the content of this document, in particular the specific provisions outlined in Chapters 20 and 26.

This and subsequent 'Official Communications' are available as a pdf file on the CEV website here:

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

The eventual winners of the competition will get the right to compete in the 2026 edition of the European Golden League, where they will be replacing the lowest ranked team per gender from the 2025 edition.

For this competition, those working on it have the support of the 'Competitions Hotline' during the competition evenings and weekends on +352 621 25 34 44. If you have any question, please do not hesitate to contact the CEV Volleyball Department (nationalteams@cev.eu).

2. Participants

The teams are eligible to participate following the below criteria:

- o National Teams not participating in the FIVB Volleyball Nations League 2025
- o National Teams not participating in the CEV Volleyball European Golden League 2025 according to their ranking position.

For the avoidance of doubt, when a National Federation register their team(s) for the CEV European League 2025, these will be assigned to the Golden or Silver League depending on their respective position on the FIVB National Team Ranking (as of August 30, 2024).

3. Competition Format

League Phase

The eventual competition format will depend on the confirmed number of participating teams. However, priority will be given to organise a cost-effective format, providing valuable competition opportunities to all registered teams.

- The seeding of the participating teams is based on the FIVB National Team Ranking as of August 30, 2024, for men and women.
- The winners of the CEV Volleyball European Silver League 2025 will qualify for the CEV Volleyball European Golden League 2026.



Final Phase

- A Final Four Tournament will only be considered with a minimum number of 8 registered teams.
- Final Four tournament 1 organiser + three best ranked teams after the end of the League Phase. If Organiser finishes among the top three at the end of the League Phase, the 4th ranked team will qualify to the Final Four tournament as well. If the Organiser of the Final Four is not among the top three, the team from the hosting National Federation will join the top three from the League Phase in the Final Four.
- The organisers of the Final Four are also required to compete in the League Phase.
- If there is no organiser of the Final Four or less than 8 teams registered, only a Final Match will be played in home & away format, with the second match at the venue of the 1st Ranked Team after the League Phase.
- The respective winners will qualify to the 2026 CEV European Golden League Men & Women.

4. Competition Calendar

The reserved periods in which the competition will take place are:

League Phase (Women)

•	1 st Tournament	30 May - 01 June 2025
•	2 nd Tournament	06 – 08 June 2025
•	3 rd Tournament	13 - 15 June 2025

League Phase (Men)

•	1st Tournament	06 – 08 June 2025
•	2 nd Tournament	13 - 15 June 2025
•	3 rd Tournament	20 - 22 June 2025

Final Phase

•	Final Four Women	27/28 or 28/29 June 2025 - Country TBD
•	Final Four Men	04/05 or 05/06 July 2025 - Country TBD

If there is no organiser of the Final Four, the final phase matches will be scheduled between the League Phase and initial dates of the Final Four.

5. Registration for competition

The registration deadline for the CEV Volleyball European League 2025 Men & Women will be no later than

Monday, 28th October 2024 at 23:59 CET

The registration process will be done via the respective Registration Form 01 inside the CEV Database and in accordance with the CEV Regulatory Framework.

The printed and signed version of the 01 Form should be sent to the CEV office by registered letter.



6. Bidding for Final Four Organisation

The bidding process for the organisation of the Final Four Tournament for each gender is open for all participating federations. The bidding documents are circulated together with this Official Communication.

The deadline for receiving the bidding documents is

Monday, 28th October 2024 at 23:59 CET

Officials to be appointed for the League Round

Following a revision of the competition formula, CEV Officials will be appointed, and their expenses covered as follows:

CEV Supervisors

The CEV is responsible for appointing the CEV Supervisor.

The CEV will book the travel ticket to the nominated persons and bear costs such as international travel costs, per diem and visa (if necessary and where applicable).

The organisers will bear the costs for local transportation, food, accommodation and other costs.

Neutral Referees

The ERC will appoint neutral Referees according to the finally defined format. The nominations will be visible inside the CEV database and on the CEV website as well.

The CEV will book the travel ticket to the nominated persons and bear costs such as international travel costs and visa (if necessary and where applicable).

The organisers will bear the costs for per diem, local transportation, food, accommodation and other costs.

Local Referee

Depending on the competition format, the ERC will appoint a local Referee. The nomination will be visible inside the CEV database and on the CEV website as well.

The organisers will bear all related costs such as travel, accommodation and per diem.

Challenge Referee

If the organiser uses the Challenge System, the ERC will appoint a Challenge Referee.

The CEV will book the travel ticket to the nominated persons and bear costs such as international travel costs, per diem and visa (if necessary and where applicable).

The organisers will bear the costs for local transportation, food, accommodation and other costs.



8. Financial Conditions

- Registration fee for each team is 15,000€
- Fee for Final Four organiser: 25,000€
- Prize money paid by CEV:
 - o League Round matches: 1,000€ per victory and 500€ per defeat
 - o In case Final Four tournament will be played:
 - 40,000€ for winner
 - 25,000€ for runner-up
 - 20,000€ for 3rd place
 - 15,000€ for 4th place
 - o In case no Final Four will be organised and only a Final will be played in home & away format, no prize money for 3rd and 4th place teams will be allocated. The prize money for the winners and runners-up will remain as indicated above.

Enhancing the Competition – Bonus payment by CEV

In the mutual aim of all stakeholders to increase the level of the competition, TV coverage, the usage of a challenge system, a LED system and a high number of spectators are considered as crucial. Therefore, the CEV will award those participants using an approved Challenge system and LED system as well as those with a high number of spectators with a bonus as follows:

TV Production

Production of matches hosted at home during the League Phase according to the required CEV standard defined in this Official Communication:

• 2,500€ per produced League Phase match

LED System

Using of an approved LED System in all matches hosted at home:

• 3,000€

Challenge System

Using of an approved Challenge System in all matches hosted at home:

• 5.000€

Spectators:

Average number of <u>all</u> matches <u>hosted</u> at home:

≥ 1,501 spectators: 10,000€

10. Technical Requirements

The hosting National Federation shall fulfil the following technical requirements:

- Minimum competition hall for League Phase is category 2.
- Challenge system optional for League Round and Final Phase



- Referees head set mandatory for all phases
- Tablets are mandatory for all phases
- The LED system is optional for all phases, but recommended
- With the sole exception of the above conditions, the event will be organised and conducted according to the requirements and conditions defined in the CEV Regulatory Framework.

11. Official Ball

All matches during the CEV Volleyball European Silver League 2024 will be played with the

MIKASA Ball V200W

Each registered team will receive 20 MIKASA balls and the Final Four organisers will receive additionally 60 balls each.

12. Marketing & Commercial Rights

League Phase

- a. 80% of visibility on and off-court advertising are granted to the Organisers of a tournament and/or match, except for the net advertising where a 100% belongs to CEV.
- b. All commercial rights' splits are taken into consideration in the official layouts made available on the CEV Cloud.
- c. The LED system is optional for all phases but recommended.
- d. Protected product categories by CEV: "Betting & Gambling" and "Sports equipment Volleyballs".
- e. All other categories are considered non-exclusive.

Final Phase / Final Four

See Candidature application guideline.

13. Media Rights & Production

The participating National Federations shall respect the below media and production requirements which will apply to the CEV Volleyball European Silver League 2025 – League Phase & Final Four.

League Phase

Media Rights Granting

In case of a tournament competition format, the CEV is granting to each participating National Federation the non-exclusive domestic media rights only <u>in relation to the tournament being hosted & organised</u> by such National Federation in its territory.



In case of a home/away competition format, the CEV is granting to each participating National Federation the non-exclusive domestic media rights only <u>in relation to its home match being organized in its territory.</u>

In both cases, this grant of rights is in exchange of the production of such matches as per the CEV Volleyball Competitions Regulations - Section 7: Media Production.

We kindly inform that there <u>is no media rights reciprocity allowed between the participating National Federations</u> of the CEV Volleyball European Silver League 2025.

Should the National Federation wish to acquire its away matches (the matches not being played nor organized in its home territory), it should duly contact the CEV and the CEV Sport Media Agency (contacts provided below). For the avoidance of any doubt, all other media rights not explicitly granted to the National Federation are retained by the CEV and the CEV Sport Media Agency.

CEV Sport Media Agency - Contacts

- Ms Ottavia Perra, Associate Director Media Sales / <u>Ottavia.Perra@infrontsports.com</u>
- Ms Michela Cugnasca, Media Sales / michela.cugnasca@infrontsports.com
- Ms Deborah Termanini, Media Operations / <u>deborah.termanini@infrontsports.com</u>

TV Production obligation

The production of matches during the CEV Volleyball European Silver League 2025 – League Phase is optional.

In case the appointed National Federations wish to produce the matches that they are hosting and organizing in their territory, they shall inform CEV in written and fulfil the minimum broadcasting requirements indicated below (standard D):

- World Feed signal is in HD 16:9
- Number of cameras: 3 HD cameras
- Match signal delivery*: via well-established European satellite only (Eutelsat 7B or 10A carrier)
- Graphics: integration of the official CEV TV graphics package (to be provided by the CEV)
- Contact details: NF to provide to the CEV contact details of their host broadcaster or local production company 2 weeks prior to the start of the competition.

*For the avoidance of any doubt, it is the responsibility of the appointed National Federation to provide to the CEV and the CEV Sport Media Agency <u>free-of-charge</u> a TV signal with DVB-S2 standard via an established European satellite such as Eutelsat 7B or Eutelsat 10A. A Eutelsat certified SNG HD fully redundant (1+1) capable of transmission DVB-S2 2 MPEG4/H.264 4:2:0 or 4:2:2 with BISS 1 Encryption.

The complete satellite parameters are provided in English to the CEV and CEV Sport Media Agency no later than seven (7) days before the start of the relevant match.

Final Phase / Final Four

Media Rights Granting

In case a Final Four is organised, the CEV is granting to the hosting National Federation the non-exclusive domestic media rights in relation to all the matches produced in its territory in exchange of the production of such matches as per the CEV Volleyball Competitions Regulations - Section 7: Media Production.

In case of a final stage in the home & away format, the CEV is granting to each organising National Federation the non-exclusive domestic media rights in relation to its individual home match.



This grant of rights is in exchange of the production of such matches as per the CEV Volleyball Competitions Regulations - Section 7: Media Production.

We kindly inform that there <u>is no media rights reciprocity allowed between the participating National Federations</u> of the CEV Volleyball European Silver League 2025 Final Round. Should the National Federation wish to acquire its away matches, it should duly contact the CEV and the CEV Sport Media Agency (contacts provided below). For the avoidance of doubt, all other media rights not explicitly granted to the National Federation are retained by the CEV and the CEV Sport Media Agency.

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TV Production obligation

In case of a Final 4 or home/away competition format, all matches shall be produced as per the below minimum broadcasting requirements (standard C):

- World Feed signal is in HD 16:9
- Number of cameras: 5 HD cameras
- Match signal delivery*: via well-established European satellite only (Eutelsat 7B or 10A carrier)
- Graphics: official CEV TV graphics package (to be provided by the CEV prior to the tournament)
- Contact details: NF to provide to the CEV contact details of their host broadcaster or local production company 2 weeks prior to the start of the tournament.

*For the avoidance of any doubt, it is the responsibility of the appointed National Federation to provide to the CEV and the CEV Sport Media Agency <u>free-of-charge</u> a TV signal with DVB-S2 standard via an established European satellite such as Eutelsat 7B or Eutelsat 10A. A Eutelsat certified SNG HD fully redundant (1+1) capable of transmission DVB-S2 2 MPEG4/H.264 4:2:0 or 4:2:2 with BISS 1 Encryption.

The complete satellite parameters are provided in English to the CEV and CEV Sport Media Agency no later than seven (7) days before the start of the relevant match

14. Match Technology

For each match, the following match technology is provided and used by the participating National Federations for the CEV Volleyball European Silver League 2025:

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

Data Collection

The applications are provided by CEV's official technology partner Genius Sports. The applications download and user guidelines documentation link is the following: https://download.dataproject.com/cev.



The usage of the e-Scoresheet Tablet, Data Volley 4 and Video Sharing 4 software's. The software's should be operated by following the respective CEV regulations and <u>user guidelines documentations</u>:

- e-Scoresheet are the only official software, operated by one (1) Scorer who officially records the
 match progress, results, participants, events, protests, and sanctions of such match. Statistics of
 each match are collected by designated match officials of the Organiser (or home team) for CEV
 purposes.
- e-Scoresheet Tablet is the part of the e-Scoresheet software operated by a team bench and match referees to manage match line-ups, substitutions, timeouts, video challenges, and to follow player positions.
- Data Volley 4 is the only official software, operated by one (1) Statistician who officially records players and team's statistics of each match. The statistic of each match is collected by a designated Statistician of the Organiser (or home team) for CEV purposes.
- Video Sharing 4 is a software operated by a designated Statistician to upload and download match video recordings and statistics collected by Data Volley 4.
- The necessary login credentials (including username and password) for the above software are available to the Organiser on the CEV Database before the start of the competition.
- The Organiser must provide free-of-charge the following facilities and resources during the CEV Competition to operate the e-Scoresheet, e-Scoresheet Tablet, Data Volley 4 and Video Sharing according to the respective regulations.
 - Hardware including laptops or tablets that meets the software's minimum technical requirements."
 - Download and installation of the latest version of the software's.
 - High-speed and stable internet connection is required for e-Scorsheet and Data Volley 4 via LAN cable, with a minimum speed of 10 Mb/s for both upload and download, along with the necessary power supply.
 - Execute e-Scoresheet and Data Volley 4 match tests in the Competition Hall one (1) day before the start of the CEV Competition match.
 - Appointment of an experienced Scorer and Statistician during the CEV Competition match to operate the software's and collect data and statistics according to the respective regulations
 - Ensure delivery of e-Scoresheet and Data Volley 4 live match statistics with no internet connection interruptions or data collection mistakes, and open and close a match only on a match court.
 - Finalize e-Scoresheet match within 5 minutes after the end of a match and print Scoresheet according to the Official Volleyball rules and CEV Guidelines.
 - Upload Data Volley 4 statistics and video files to Video Sharing within 1 hour after the end of a match.
 - Prohibition of any illegal or non-authorized collection, archiving and distribution of match related data and statistics during all CEV Competitions matches.

Video Challenge system

A referee decision may be challenged in a CEV competition via the use of a video evidence system. The system must be set and used according to the relevant <u>CEV Guidelines - Art. 95.6</u>.

Wireless headsets set:

The wireless communication system for referees is mandatory for all phases. The system must be set and used according to the relevant <u>CEV Guidelines – Art. 95.5.</u>



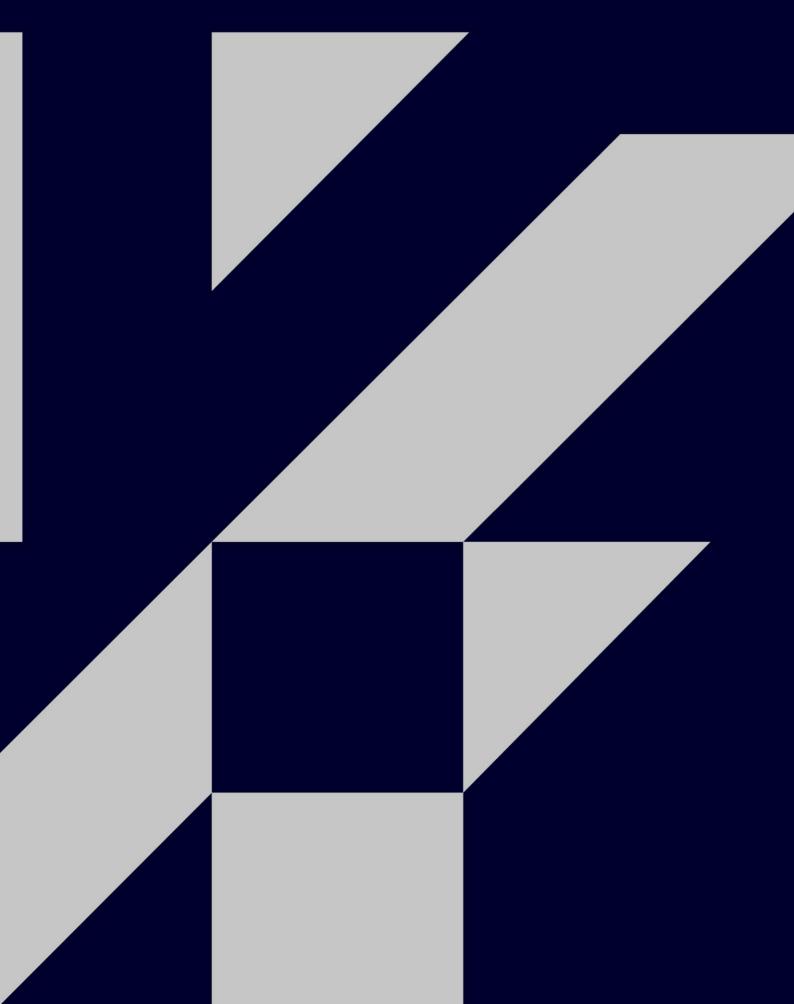
For further information on match technology or data matters, the following contact details shall be used:

CEV – Mr. Donatas Averkinas, Sport Data Coordinator

• <u>digital@cev.eu</u>



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1. General Information

After closing the registration process, we are able to release this document in order to update all participants regarding:

- The teams registered for participation in the CEV Volleyball European Silver League 2025 Men & Women
- The Competition Format
- The League Round Tournaments and Match Schedule for respective weekends
- Updates in terms of marketing and commercial rights
- Updates in terms of the bonus payments applied to this edition of the competition
- Useful information regarding the competition official branding.

2. Participants

The confirmed list of participants for the CEV Volleyball European Silver League 2025 Men reads as follows:

No.	CEV Ranking	National Federation	Remarks
1	26	AUT	
2	27	HUN	
3	30	SWE	
4	33	GEO	
5	34	FAR	
6	35	LUX	
7	36	ISL	
8	37	AZE	Lowest Ranked Team 2024 EGL

The confirmed list of participants for the CEV Volleyball European Silver League 2025 Women reads as follows:

No.	CEV Ranking	National Federation	Remarks
1	22	AUT	Lowest Ranked Team 2024 EGL
2	26	SUI	
3	27	LAT	
4	29	ISR	
5	30	GEO	
6	32	MKD	
7	33	LUX	
8	34	FAR	
9	35	ISL	

3. League Round Matches Schedule

The Men's League Round Tournaments and the respective matches are scheduled as follows:

	1st weekend 06 – 08.06.2025		
	Tournament 1 Tournament 2		
Organiser	LUX (6)	SWE (3)	
Opposito	AUT (1)	GEO (4)	
Opponents	ISL (7)	AZE (8)	
Not playing	FAR (5)	HUN (2)	
Match Day 1	ISL (7) vs LUX (6)	AZE (8) vs SWE (3)	
Match Day 2	AUT (1) vs ISL (7)	GEO (4) vs AZE (8)	
Match Day 3	LUX (6) vs AUT (1)	SWE (3) vs GEO (4)	

	2nd weekend 13 – 15.06.2025	
	Tournament 3	Tournament 4
Organiser	ISL (7)	AZE (8)
Overende	SWE (3)	HUN (2)
Opponents	FAR (5)	LUX (6)
Not playing	GEO (4)	AUT (1)
Match Day 1	FAR (5) vs ISL (7)	LUX (6) vs AZE (8)
Match Day 2	SWE (3) vs FAR (5)	HUN (2) vs LUX (6)
Match Day 3	ISL (7) vs SWE (3)	AZE (8) vs HUN (2)

	3rd weekend 20 – 22.06.2025	
	Tournament 5	Tournament 6
Organiser	FAR (5)	HUN (2)
	AUT (1)	GEO (4)
Opponents ·	AZE (8)	ISL (7)
Not playing	LUX (6)	SWE (3)
Match Day 1	AZE (8) vs FAR (5)	ISL (7) vs HUN (2)
Match Day 2	AUT (1) vs AZE (8)	GEO (4) vs ISL (7)
Match Day 3	FAR (5) vs AUT (1)	HUN (2) vs GEO (4)

	4th weekend 27 – 29.06.2025		
	Tournament 7 Tournament 8		
Organiser	GEO (4)	AUT (1)	
	FAR (5)	HUN (2)	
Opponents	LUX (6)	SWE (3)	
Not playing	ISL (7)	AZE (8)	
Match Day 1	LUX (6) vs GEO (4)	SWE (3) vs AUT (1)	
Match Day 2	FAR (5) vs LUX (6)	HUN (2) vs SWE (3)	
Match Day 3	GEO (4) vs FAR (5)	AUT (1) vs HUN (2)	

The Women's League Round Tournaments and the respective matches are scheduled as follows:

	1st weekend 30.05 – 01.06.2025		
	Tournament 1	Tournament 2	Tournament 3
Organiser	ISL (9)	MKD (6)	LAT (3)
	AUT (1)	SUI (2)	ISR (4)
Opponents	GEO (5)	LUX (7)	FAR (8)
Match Day 1	GEO (5) vs ISL (9)	LUX (7) vs MKD (6)	FAR (8) vs LAT (3)
Match Day 2	AUT (1) vs GEO (5)	SUI (2) vs LUX (7)	ISR (4) vs FAR (8)
Match Day 3	ISL (9) vs AUT (1)	MKD (6) vs SUI (2)	LAT (3) vs ISR (4)

	2nd weekend 06 – 08.06.2025		
	Tournament 4	Tournament 5	Tournament 6
Organiser	FAR (8)	GEO (5)	SUI (2)
Opponents	AUT (1)	LAT (3)	ISR (4)
	MKD (6)	LUX (7)	ISL (9)
Match Day 1	MKD (6) vs FAR (8)	LUX (7) vs GEO (5)	ISL (9) vs SUI (2)
Match Day 2	AUT (1) vs MKD (6)	LAT (3) vs LUX (7)	ISR (4) vs ISL (9)
Match Day 3	FAR (8) vs AUT (1)	GEO (5) vs LAT (3)	SUI (2) vs ISR (4)

	3rd weekend 13 – 15.06.2025		
	Tournament 7	Tournament 8	Tournament 9
Organiser	LUX (7)	ISR* (4)	AUT (1)
Opponents	FAR (8)	GEO (5)	SUI (2)
	ISL (9)	MKD (6)	LAT (3)
Match Day 1	ISL (9) vs LUX (7)	MKD (6) vs ISR* (4)	LAT (3) vs AUT (1)
Match Day 2	FAR (8) vs ISL (9)	GEO (5) vs MKD (6)	SUI (2) vs LAT (3)
Match Day 3	LUX (7) vs FAR (8)	ISR* (4) vs GEO (5)	AUT (1) vs SUI (2)

*ISR – Please note that under the current circumstances, the women's national team of Israel is not able to play their home matches in their country. Therefore, as things currently stand, the Tournament 8 matches will be played on a neutral ground. The venue will be announced **no later than by Friday, 7**th **March 2025.**

4. Final Phase competition system

Final Phase Men

No semi-final matches will be played. Only the Final Home & Away Matches will be played between the 1st Ranked and the 2nd Ranked Teams according to the final standing of the League Round. The team finishing first at the end of the League Round will enjoy the home-court advantage in the return match.

Home Match Final 2nd Ranked Team vs 1st Ranked Team Thursday, 3rd July 2025

Away Match Final 1st Ranked Team vs 2nd Ranked Team Sunday, 6th July 2025

Final Phase Women

No semi-final matches will be played. Only the Final Home & Away Matches will be played between the 1st Ranked and the 2nd Ranked Teams according to the final standing of the League Round. The team finishing first at the end of the League Round will enjoy the home-court advantage in the return match.

Home Match Final 2nd Ranked Team vs 1st Ranked Team Thursday, 26th June 2025

Away Match Final 1st Ranked Team vs 2nd Ranked Team Sunday, 29th June 2025

5. Administrative deadlines

Item:	Deadline:	Action:	Other information:
Application for advertising on uniforms	April 2 nd , 2025	If applicable, all participating National Federations having advertisement on team uniforms are required to request the Certificate of Approval for advertising on uniforms.	The form can be found inside the CEV database "download area" and must be sent to: marketing@cev.eu
LED system application form (if used by Organiser for League Round or Final Phase)	April 2 nd , 2025 for League Round Min. one (1) month before the start of the Final Phase	Organising National federations can apply for the use of LED system around the court.	The form must be downloaded from the download folder in the CEV Cloud: LED system application form



Item:	Deadline:	Action:	Other information:
PLAYER LICENSES (minimum 14 players)	For Women: April 28 th 2025 For Men: May 5 th 2025	All participating National Federations are required to register all potential players by applying for player licenses using the CEV 04 form within the set deadline. The participating NFs can add an unlimited number of players and after the given deadline, the insertion of additional licenses will not be possible.	The CEV 04 Form can be found inside the NF user areas of the CEV Database.
PLAYER LICENSES (remaining players)	10 to 14 days before the respective tournament	All participating National Federations are required to register any additional players by applying for player licenses using the CEV 04 form within the set deadline.	The CEV 04 Form can be found inside the CEV Database under: Federation Area – Form List for each National Federations.
PLAYERS 'LONG LIST' CEV 09 Form	10 to 14 days before the respective tournament or matches	All participating National Federations are required to duly complete and close the CEV 09 Form ('TEAM REGISTRATION').	For each leg and each match, the CEV 09 Form can be found inside the NF user areas of the CEV Database under: Federation Area – Form List. After it is approved, the CEV 09bis will be automatically created listing up to 14 players confirmed for the respective match.
COMPETITION HANDBOOK	On the arrival of the Teams and CEV Officials at the Competition Site	Organisers are obliged to issue a Competition Handbook. The Competition Handbook can only be released after it has been approved by the appointed CEV Supervisor.	
CEV 09bis Form	Before each team's Preliminary Inquiry	Before attending their PI, each team must complete and close the CEV 09bis form inside the CEV database. (FINAL TEAM REGISTRATION)	

For further information about the meetings required onsite, please refer to the CEV Volleyball Competitions Regulations and the Volleyball Guidelines for National Team Competitions.



Meeting	When	Main items to be covered
GENERAL ORGANISATION MEETING	On the arrival day of the CEV Supervisor	 Introduction Information about the Competition Site(s) Time schedule for pre-competition days General Items Financial Matters Can be linked with the 'INITIAL COMPETITION HALL INSPECTION'
TEAM PRELIMINARY INQUIRIES	On the arrival day of the teams	 Final team/player participation Accreditation Cards (if applicable) Team Uniforms Advertising on Team Uniforms Certificate Health Certificates (M-3 Forms) Anti-Doping Diplomas (FIVB Play Clean) FIVB Manipulaton Course (certificates) Team Medical Doctor/Team Physiotherapist accreditations Note: the Team Manager must have its National Federation's login credentials for the CEV database in order to "sign" the relevant forms.

6. Challenge System

In case an organiser will be using the Challenge System for the League Round, they must inform the CEV Office (referee@cev.eu) accordingly, no later than by Friday, 14th March 2025.

In case the Challenge System is used, there must be a specific Challenge Referee appointed by the ERC. If the CEV has been informed after 14th March 2025, the ERC can't guarantee the nomination of a Challenge Referee, as it will be subject to the availability of the Challenge Referees that ERC have on their Official's list.

7. Financial Conditions – Update

In case two tournaments are being played on the same weekend regardless of the level, the bonus prize money will be paid once to the Organiser, and it will be paid according to the Golden League tournament, if applicable, or once if Organiser hosts both gender of the Silver League.

In case two matches are played on same day in the same venue in two different competitions (Golden and Silver Leagues) and the Organiser fulfil the requirements of the bonus payments, the bonus payment for the LED and Challenge systems will be paid once and the bonus for spectator attendance and TV production, if applicable, will be granted for each match.

8. Marketing & Commercial Rights

The use of the LED system boarding is optional for both the League Round and the final matches.



Court layout commercial rights: see the layout and carefully check all court layout conditions:

- Net advertising: 100 % CEV (net band remains empty)
- Net post advertising: 100 % CEV (net post covers remain empty)
- Referee chair advertising: 20 % CEV, 80 % NF or 100% empty (CEV approval required)
- Scorer table: NF
- Player benches advertising (backside): NF
- Floor-stickers: 4 positions for NF. In case only 2 are used, they must be symmetrical (2 positions have been ceded by CEV to NF: F1 and F6)
- Floor stickers F3 and F4 are mandatory and have to always be displayed together (5m x 1m)
- Static advertising around the court: see commercial court layout
- In the case of LED System use: visibility split is 20% CEV, 80 % NF
 - → The LED playlist (after the LED system application is approved) has to be downloaded from CEV Cloud, completed and uploaded into the NF folder for CEV approval; please send an email to marketing@cev.eu to inform about the upload and to seek approval)

CEV protected product categories:

In line with the Board of Administration decision of 4th October 2024, the following product categories are released for the competition on a non-exclusive basis:

- 1. Airlines
- 2. Banking
- 3. Body & healthcare products
- 4. Courier services & logistics
- 5. Mobile phone technology/communications

The following product categories are reserved by CEV and not released:

- 1. Bettina & aamblina*
- 2. Sports equipment: volleyballs

*For the avoidance of doubt, although the "Betting & gambling services" sector and/or category is reserved by the CEV, the Organiser may exploit, based on prior agreement of the CEV, the category for the "National lottery", provided that their sports betting operations are in no way presented under the same brand as their National lottery operations. Thus, gambling and betting services are prohibited and the category will not be released by the CEV. The CEV partner is the ultimate betting rights holder on a global basis in relation to the CEV Competitions.

<u>Exception</u>: Participating teams may position <u>one</u> sponsor logo of the "betting & gambling" category on the official player jersey. Approval will be given through the certificate for advertising on uniforms.

Approval procedure for LED system playlist (only after the LED system application is approved):

- > CL-S form to be compiled in the CEV database with all sponsors/partners displayed in the frame of the competition (including brand name, product category, website, brand logo).
- LED playlist duly filled in with only approved sponsors to be uploaded into the NF folder on the cloud. Email to be sent to marketing@cev.eu to notify CEV of the upload.
- The files will be approved on the CEV Cloud directly. In case any changes need to be made, organisers will be informed by email.
- > NO FILES ARE ACCEPTED BY EMAIL.



9. Branding and Graphics

The CEV Cloud is an optimised file-sharing and storage solution.

All Organisers have direct access to all resources via a web service interface. The CEV Cloud supports drag-and-drop file management. No logins or passwords are needed.

Special links take you directly to the CEV Cloud with two main folders:

Download, which contains all necessary files / templates you need to use for the production of any possible material related to the competition: https://cloud.cev.eu/url/natteamsdown

and

Upload, where to place all files to be uploaded, checked, and approved by the CEV before production. After uploading any files, the Graphics Department (graphics@cev.eu) has to be notified by a short e-mail. Please note that the CEV Cloud does not notify us when files are uploaded. The upload folder is structured by Organisers https://cloud.cev.eu/url/natteamsupl

Graphics whose production is mandatory:

- Court banners in case of static court layout
- Backdrop
- Poster (printed or electronic versions)
- Podiums (for the away final match)

If any additional graphics (social media, web promotions, billboards, etc.) are used, they must also be approved in the same way.

<u>All graphics</u> (banners, net, backdrop, poster, etc.) templates shall be downloaded from the CEV Cloud folder: https://cloud.cev.eu/url/natteamsdown

Branding guidelines published on the CEV Cloud must be followed by all organisers.

The CEV institutional brand can be downloaded from the CEV Cloud: https://cloud.cev.eu/url/cevbranding.

LED system information:

Use of the LED system boarding:

- League Phase matches optional
- Final matches optional

The LED system application form must be downloaded from the download folder in the CEV Cloud https://cloud.cev.eu/url/ledapplform20.

(We recommend reading all the requirements for using the LED system and all the information in the application very carefully).

The fully compiled form must be uploaded to the CEV Cloud into your respective folder https://cloud.cev.eu/url/natteamsupl by 2nd April 2025. When uploaded, please email araphics@cev.eu to inform us and request approval.

Approval procedure for any branding material:

- After approval of the sponsors in the CL-S form, Branding files /graphics are to be uploaded into the NF folder on the CEV Cloud.
- Email to be sent to <u>araphics@cev.eu</u> to notify CEV of the upload.
- The files will be approved on the CEV Cloud directly.
- In case any changes need to be made, organisers will be informed by email.



NO FILES ARE ACCEPTED BY EMAIL.

Reminder:

After uploading files, the Graphics Department <u>graphics@cev.eu</u> / <u>marketing@cev.eu</u> must be notified by a short e-mail. (All files to be approved must be uploaded to the cloud. Any e-mail attachments will not be taken into consideration).

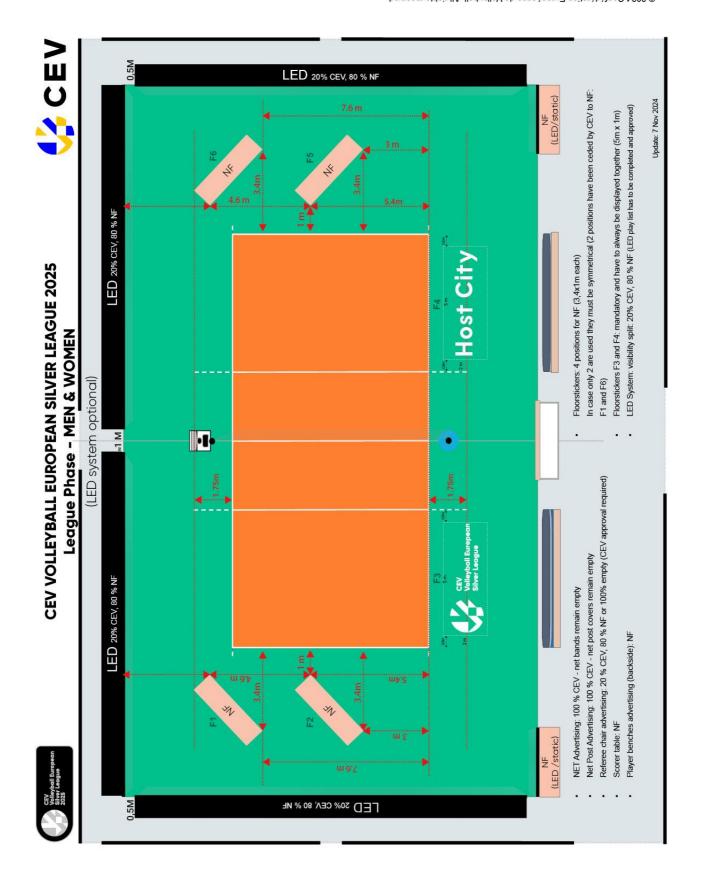
Please note that the CEV Cloud does not automatically notify us when new files are uploaded. Therefore, it is important to inform us via a brief email (without any attachments) when you have uploaded new files.

We strongly recommend sharing the files <u>well in advance</u> of production to allow time for any necessary adjustments and recommendations. Please keep in mind that we require a certain amount of time to respond.

N.B.: All branding material and layouts will be made available by CEV on the Cloud by 31.12.2024

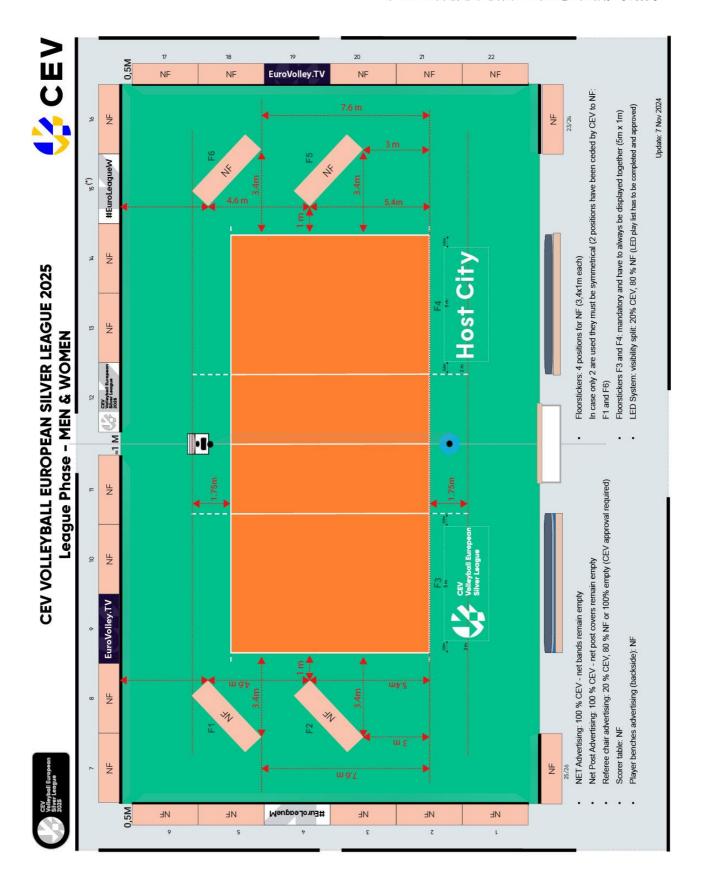
<u>CEV Volleyball European Silver League 2025 – League Phases LED system structure:</u>

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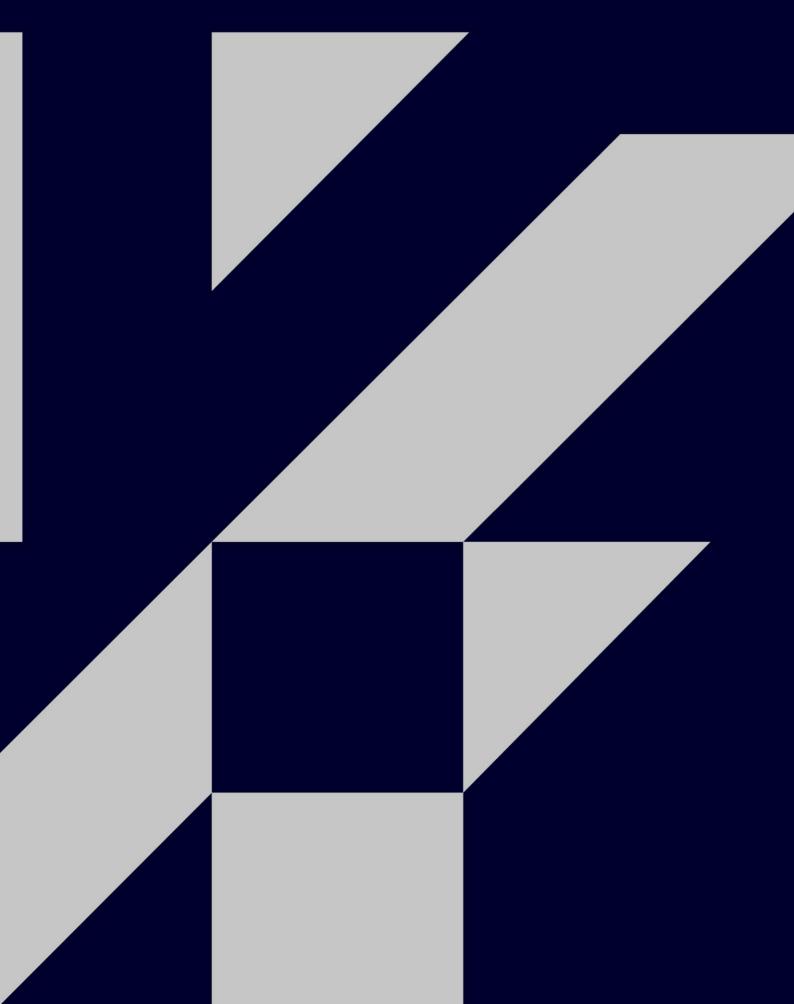
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Match Calendar & Team Arrivals

The match calendar for all 'home weekends' has been updated according to the respective CEV 07 Forms provided by the organising National Federations.

We would like to remind all participating teams that the official arrival day is minus one (-1) before the first match scheduled for each respective team. It means that any team playing their first match on a Friday will be arriving on Thursday and the team playing their first match on Saturday is due to arrive on Friday. If any team would like to arrive earlier (-2 days before their first match), this team will have to cover all related costs (accommodation, meals, and any other) for this additional day.

At this stage, Israeli National Federation have not provided their confirmed match schedule yet. Due to the current political situation in the country, the National Federation will have to decide where their 'home weekend' will be held, whether in Israel or in a neutral country. Further updates will be provided in due time.

Accommodation of the Visiting Teams during the League Round

Since the competition is being played in a "tournament format" with single matches, rules related to accommodation and meals of the visiting teams have been adjusted accordingly – and they will follow the same principles applied for all other CEV National Team competitions played as tournaments. This means that the Organiser of each respective 'home weekend' is bearing the accommodation and meal costs for the visiting teams during their stay according to the CEV Volleyball Competitions Regulations.

3. CEV Forms 04 / 08 / 09

The respective CEV Forms 04 / 08 / 09 will be created inside the CEV Database and will be made accessible in due time:

CEV Form 04

The 04 Forms will be created with the respective deadlines scheduled for:

- Women: Monday, 28th April 2025 at 23:59 CEST
- Men: Monday, 5th May 2025 at 23:59 CEST

All participating National Federations are required to register all potential players by applying for player licenses using the CEV 04 form within the set deadline.

The participating National Federations can add an unlimited number of players and after the given deadline, the insertion of additional licenses will not be possible.

CEV Form 08

For each 'home weekend' there will be only one CEV Form 08. This form will be created, filled in and closed by the CEV Office no later than 14 days before the first match of the respective weekend.



Among the 3 International Referees appointed by the ERC, one will be local (from the NF organizing the tournament).

If the hosting National Federation will use an approved Challenge System, the nominated CEV Challenge Referee contact details will be inserted in the respective 08 form. Please be reminded that for a request to use Challenge System, the latest date to inform the CEV Office (referee@cev.eu) is Friday, March 14th, 2025.

CEV Form 09

Each team will have a respective form for each match within a weekend to complete, which has to be closed according to the deadline indicated inside this form.

4. Arrival of the CEV Supervisors and the CEV International Referees

League Round

All the CEV Officials (CEV Supervisors & CEV International Referees, and CEV Challenge Referee when applicable) will arrive -1 day before the first day of the 'home weekend'. If the respective CEV Officials cannot arrive according to the above-mentioned rule, the CEV will organise their arrival at -2 days.

The local International Referee appointed by the ERC will have to arrive on site same time (-1day) like the other International Referees, and Challenge Referee (when nominated).

Final Phase

As the Final Phase will be played in "Home and Away" matches and not in a tournament format, the CEV Officials' (CEV Supervisors & CEV International Referees) arrivals will be organised by the CEV Office as follows:

- For the Home match (without Awarding Ceremony) -1 day before the match
- For the Away match (with Awarding Ceremony) -1 day before the match

5. TV Production Obligation

League Phase

The production of matches during the CEV Volleyball European Silver League 2025 – League Phase is optional.

In case the appointed National Federations wish to produce the matches that they are hosting and organizing in their territory, they shall inform CEV in written and fulfil the minimum broadcasting requirements indicated below (standard D):

- World Feed signal is in HD 16:9
- Number of cameras: 3 HD cameras



- Match signal delivery*: via well-established European satellite only (Eutelsat 7B or 10A carrier)
- Graphics: integration of the official CEV TV graphics package (to be provided by the CEV)
- Contact details: NF to provide to the CEV contact details of their host broadcaster or local production company 2 weeks prior to the start of the competition.

*For the avoidance of any doubt, it is the responsibility of the appointed National Federation to provide to the CEV and the CEV Sport Media Agency <u>free-of-charge</u> a TV signal with DVB-S2 standard via an established European satellite such as Eutelsat 7B or Eutelsat 10A. A Eutelsat certified SNG HD fully redundant (1+1) capable of transmission DVB-S2 2 MPEG4/H.264 4:2:0 or 4:2:2 with BISS 1 Encryption.

The complete satellite parameters are provided in English to the CEV and CEV Sport Media Agency no later than seven (7) days before the start of the relevant match.

The Home and Away Final matches shall be produced as per the below minimum broadcasting requirements (standard C):

- World Feed signal is in HD 16:9
- Number of cameras: 5 HD cameras
- Match signal delivery*: via well-established European satellite only (Eutelsat 7B or 10A carrier)
- Graphics: official CEV TV graphics package (to be provided by the CEV prior to the tournament)
- Contact details: NF to provide to the CEV contact details of their host broadcaster or local production company 2 weeks prior to the start of the tournament.

*For the avoidance of any doubt, it is the responsibility of the appointed National Federation to provide to the CEV and the CEV Sport Media Agency <u>free-of-charge</u> a TV signal with DVB-S2 standard via an established European satellite such as Eutelsat 7B or Eutelsat 10A. A Eutelsat certified SNG HD fully redundant (1+1) capable of transmission DVB-S2 2 MPEG4/H.264 4:2:0 or 4:2:2 with BISS 1 Encryption.

The complete satellite parameters are provided in English to the CEV and CEV Sport Media Agency no later than seven (7) days before the start of the relevant match

6. Match Technology & Data Collection

For each match, the following match technology is provided and used by the participating National Federations for the CEV Volleyball European Golden League 2025:

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

Data Collection



The applications are provided by CEV's official technology partner Genius Sports. The applications download and user guidelines documentation link is the following: https://download.dataproject.com/cev.

The usage of the e-Scoresheet Tablet, Data Volley 4 and Video Sharing 4 software's. The software's should be operated by following the respective CEV regulations and <u>user guidelines documentations</u>:

- e-Scoresheet are the only official software, operated by one (1) Scorer who officially records the match progress, results, participants, events, protests, and sanctions of such match. Statistics of each match are collected by designated match officials of the Organiser (or home team) for CEV purposes.
- e-Scoresheet Tablet is the part of the e-Scoresheet software operated by a team bench and match referees to manage match line-ups, substitutions, timeouts, video challenges, and to follow player positions.
- Data Volley 4 is the only official software, operated by one (1) Statistician who officially records players and team's statistics of each match. The statistic of each match is collected by a designated Statistician of the Organiser (or home team) for CEV purposes.
- Video Sharing 4 is a software operated by a designated Statistician to upload and download match video recordings and statistics collected by Data Volley 4.
- The necessary login credentials (including username and password) for the above software are available to the Organiser on the CEV Database before the start of the competition.
- The Organiser must provide free-of-charge the following facilities and resources during the CEV Competition to operate the e-Scoresheet, e-Scoresheet Tablet, Data Volley 4 and Video Sharing according to the respective regulations.
 - Hardware including laptops or tablets that meets the software's minimum technical requirements:
 - o e-Scoresheet requirements.
 - o e-Scoresheet Tablet requirements.
 - o <u>Data Volley 4 requirements</u>,
 - o Video Sharina requirements.
 - Download and installation of the latest version of the software's.
 - High-speed and stable internet connection is required for e-Scoresheet and Data Volley 4 via LAN cable, with a minimum speed of 10 Mb/s for both upload and download, along with the necessary power supply.
 - Execute <u>e-Scoresheet</u> and <u>Data Volley 4</u> match tests in the Competition Hall one (1) day before the start of the CEV Competition match.
 - Appointment of an experienced Scorer and Statistician during the CEV Competition match to operate the software's and collect data and statistics according to the respective regulations
 - Ensure delivery of <u>e-Scoresheet</u> and Data Volley 4 live match statistics with no internet connection interruptions or data collection mistakes, and open and close a match only on a match court.
 - Finalize e-Scoresheet match within 5 minutes after the end of a match and print Scoresheet according to the Official Volleyball rules and CEV Guidelines.
 - Upload Data Volley 4 statistics and video files to <u>Video Sharing</u> within 1 hour after the end of a match
 - Prohibition of any illegal or non-authorized collection, archiving and distribution of match related data and statistics during all CEV Competitions matches

Video Challenge system



• A referee decision may be challenged in a CEV competition via the use of a video evidence system. The system must be set and used according to the relevant <u>CEV Guidelines – Art. 95.6</u>.

Wireless headsets set:

The wireless communication system for referees is mandatory for all phases. The system must be set and used according to the relevant <u>CEV Guidelines – Art. 95.5.</u>

For further information on match technology or data matters, the following contact details shall be used:

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