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1. Introduction

Further to the latest changes to the international calendar adopted by the FIVB earlier this year, the next edition of CEV EuroVolley will be taking place in 2026 instead of 2025 as originally planned.

Participation will remain open to 24 teams per gender – including those representing the respective host countries (1 up to 4) and those qualified according to the final standing of the 2023 edition (minimum 8 up to a maximum of 11 depending on the number of host countries in each gender). The organisers and the exact competition dates for the CEV EuroVolley 2026 will be announced in due time.

The remaining National Federations will compete in one qualification round scheduled to be split and played in 2024 (3 Legs) and in 2025 (3 Legs) according to the CEV Board of Administration decision to qualify another 12 teams for the Final phase.

It remains the sole responsibility of the NFs registering for participation in the 2026 edition of CEV EuroVolley to respect all Communications, Regulations, Guidelines and institutional decisions to guarantee the delivery of correct, accurate and complete data at any time that these are required.

2. Registration procedure and deadline

The registration for this edition will be done through the CEV Database using the following form:

01CH (Team Registration)

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

Monday, November 6, 2023, at 23:59 CET

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

3. CEV EuroVolley 2026 Qualifiers format and dates

The teams representing the host countries and a minimum of 8 up to a maximum of 11 teams are directly qualified as per Art. 1 of this Official Communication. The remaining 12 spots to compete in the EuroVolley Final Round will be attributed as follows:

QUALIFICATION FORMAT

- Allocate registered teams not already qualified in groups of maximum 4 teams according to the European Ranking (serpentine system – 4 teams Berger Table).
- Play double round robin in single matches (home and away matches for each team).
- The best ranked teams across all pools according to the number of registered teams will qualify to the Final Round.

POOLS & EUROPEAN RANKING

The pool composition results from the latest CEV European Ranking for men's and women's national teams – **as of November 6, 2023** – with teams being placed across the pools according to the serpentine system.

MEN'S QUALIFIERS DATES

Qualification Round / dates and schedule according to the Berger Table		
Qualification Round	1 st Leg: 17 th or 18 th August 2024	1 vs 4 / 3 vs 2
	2 nd Leg: 24 th or 25 th August 2024	2 vs 1 / 4 vs 3
	3 rd Leg: 31 st August or 01 st September 2024	1 vs 3 / 2 vs 4
	4 th Leg: 14 th or 15 th June 2025	4 vs 2 / 3 vs 1
	5 th Leg: 21 st or 22 nd June 2025	1 vs 2 / 3 vs 4
	6 th Leg: 28 th or 29 th June 2025	4 vs 1 / 2 vs 3

As a general principle, the Berger Table number defines the respective competition schedule and dates in each pool.

WOMEN'S QUALIFIERS DATES

Qualification Round / dates and schedule according to the Berger Table		
Qualification Round	1 st Leg: 17 th or 18 th August 2024	1 vs 4 / 3 vs 2
	2 nd Leg: 24 th or 25 th August 2024	2 vs 1 / 4 vs 3
	3 rd Leg: 31 st August or 01 st September 2024	1 vs 3 / 2 vs 4
	4 th Leg: 19 th or 20 th July 2025	4 vs 2 / 3 vs 1
	5 th Leg: 26 th or 27 th July 2025	1 vs 2 / 3 vs 4
	6 th Leg: 02 nd or 03 rd August 2025	4 vs 1 / 2 vs 3

As a general principle, the Berger Table number defines the respective competition schedule and dates in each pool.

4. CEV EuroVolley 2026 Format

The competition system for the CEV EuroVolley 2026, Men and Women is as follows:

Phase	Competition method	Organisation
Final phase		
Gold Medal match	Knock-out with a single-leg match	Tournament
Bronze Medal match		
Semifinals		
1/4 finals		
1/8 finals		
Pools	Round robin with a single-leg match	
Qualification phase		
Qualification round	Double round robin	Home & Away matches

1.1 General provisions

National Federations not qualifying to further levels are eliminated from the CEV competition.

1.2 Qualification round

National Federations are allocated to pools consisting of three up to four teams. The 12 teams with the best result at the end of the qualifiers progress to the Final phase.

1.3 Final round

The Final round is organised with the 24 following National Federations:

- i. The teams representing the host country / host countries, directly qualified,
- ii. A minimum of eight and a maximum of 11 teams, depending on the number of host countries, as per the final standing of the 2023 edition.
- iii. 12 teams progressing from the qualifiers contested in 2024 and 2025.

The 24 participating teams are allocated equally in 4 Preliminary pools following a seeding and a Drawing of Lots based on the teams' position in the European Ranking as of August 18, 2025. The team(s) of the host country(ies) will be heading the pool that they are due to host. At the end of the pool stage, the four best placed from each pool qualify to the 1/8 finals.

In the 1/8 finals, the 8 winners qualify to the 1/4 finals.

In the 1/4 finals, the 4 winners qualify to the Semifinals.

In the Semifinals, the 2 winners qualify to the Gold Medal match and the 2 losers of the Semifinals will play the Bronze Medal match,

In the Gold Medal match, the winners are crowned the CEV EuroVolley 2026 champions.

5. Official Ball

All matches during the CEV EuroVolley 2026 – Men/Women will be played with the

MIKASA V200W

6. Commercial Rights

In accordance with the rights already granted to the National federations (Chapter 18 of the CEV Volleyball Competitions Regulations), the table hereafter shows the split of Advertising rights for the Advertising spaces in the competition hall between the CEV and the organising National Federation (NF).

Advertising spaces	CEV Eurovolley qualifiers	
	NF	CEV
N° of Static Banners	14 (incl. positions 23-26)	12
LED system visibility split (percentage of a 360° loop)	60%	40%
Floor stickers	2 (only for presenting Host City & competition title)	–
Net	–	100%
Net post	–	100%
Referee stand	–	100%

CEV exclusive product categories:

The CEV reserves the following product categories in the frame of the competition:

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

A release of potentially unused reserved categories, namely n°1, 2, 4 & 6 above, can be formulated through a written request and following CEV approval.

However, the above release of the reserved categories is not applicable to the “Sport Equipment” and “Sportswear” categories.

*Advertisement of betting & gambling partners, whether direct or indirect, is not allowed in the frame of the competition unless the rights have been acquired from AMI (see below), except for advertising on player uniforms (jersey or shorts) on the positions foreseen as per the FIVB Events regulations.

Betting & gambling services sponsorship rights acquisition:

The CEV partner AMI, rightsholder of the “betting & gambling services” sponsorship rights worldwide, is offering the chance for participating National federations to acquire some rights for a National betting partner for the upcoming CEV EuroVolley 2026 qualifiers.

Through this sponsorship package, the National federation will have the opportunity to align with betting & gambling rights at the national level, providing their sponsor significant visibility and branding during the home games. The rights available for acquisition and taken from the CEV contingent include the following:

In-venue	
LED TIME (seconds per one 360° rotation)	15"
Giant screen (if available)	20"/match
Backdrop positions	5
Fan zone/Fan parks (if any) - rights to be defined on a case by case basis	✓
Print & digital	
Branding on tickets	✓
Branding & advertising in match programme (if any)	✓
Digital & Social media	
Activation on digital media channels, social media (branded posts of branded content/messaging)	up to 2 comms/month
Signed merchandise (to be defined case by case)	✓
Branding and marketing presence at launch events & press conferences to be defined on a case by case basis	✓
VIP tickets	5



For further information and to initiate discussions regarding a potential sponsorship deal, please feel free to reach out to Andrew Mulcahy, the dedicated marketing representative from AMI. He will be more than happy to guide you through the process and answer any questions you may have. Any sponsorship agreement would then be settled directly between the National federation and AMI.

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7. Branding

In order to guarantee a consistent Europe-wide corporate identity and image of the competition, all graphics and templates will be made available on the CEV Cloud in due course.

8. Media Rights & Production Obligation

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Rights Granting

The CEV is granting to the participating National Federations the non-exclusive domestic media rights in relation to their home matches only of the CEV Competition in exchange of the production of such matches as per the CEV Volleyball Competition Regulations – Section 7: Media Production (World Feed signal).

Name/event	Home Matches of the CEV EuroVolley 2026 Qualifiers
Exclusivity	Domestic Media Rights on a non-exclusive basis
Programmes type	Live, delayed, delayed in full length, highlights and clips
Territory	National Federation territory only
Language	National Federation language only
Licensed period	Six months after the end of the last organised match
Number of transmissions	Live transmission & unlimited number of delayed transmissions

There is no media rights reciprocity allowed between organising National Federations participating in the CEV EuroVolley 2026 Qualifiers. All media rights in relation to the National Federations away matches are exclusively retained by the CEV Sport Media Agency. To acquire such rights, you can contact the CEV Sport Media Agency:

- Ms Ottavia Perra, Associate Director Media Sales
 - Ottavia.Perra@infrontsports.com
- Ms Michela Cugnasca, Client Management TV & Media
 - michela.cugnasca@infrontsports.com

Match Production Obligation

National Federations shall produce their home matches as per the below minimum broadcasting requirements (standard B):

- World Feed signal is in HD 16:9
- Number of cameras: 6 HD cameras
- TV Signal delivery*: via satellite only (Eutelsat 7B or 10A carrier)
- Graphics: integration of the official CEV TV graphics package (to be provided by the CEV prior)
- Contact details: NF to provide to the CEV the contact details of their host broadcaster or local production company two 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 free-of-charge 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 to be provided in English to the CEV and CEV Sport Media Agency no later than seven days before the start of the relevant match.

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The CEV is not granting or licensing any Media Rights to the Co-Organiser in relation to the CEV Competition. Notwithstanding the above, the CEV will make available selected media rights on a non-exclusive basis (carve-out) to the National Federations for promotional purposes on their digital platforms.

9. Match Technology & Data Collection

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The appointed National Federations have to respect the following requirements for each of their home matches during the CEV Competition:

- Compulsory use of the CEV data and statistics collection applications for each match including but not limited to E-scoresheet and DataVolley software to ensure a professional collection and distribution of data and statistics.
- For the avoidance of any doubt, the CEV will provide to the National Federations the necessary credentials (incl. username and password) to access the data and statistics collection applications prior to the event.

To ensure a professional usage of the above-mentioned applications, it is the responsibility of each National Federation to provide the below services, equipment, and resources free of charge to CEV for all matches of the CEV Competition:

- Download the **latest** software version - <https://download.dataproject.com/cev>
- Necessary hardware to run adequately E-scoresheet application (such application is only available on Windows operating system).
- Necessary hardware to run DataVolley applications for statistics delivery.



- State-of-the art and dedicated high-speed internet connection as well as dedicated power supply.
- Testing of the application and connectivity one (1) week prior to their home matches in collaboration with CEV and its appointed official data provider.
- Hiring experienced human resources to operate E-scoresheet and Statistics software
 - One (1) E-scoresheet operator
 - One (1) Statistics Software operator

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All information related to match technology & data collection requirements will be indicated in the respective Organiser Agreement & Competition Handbook.



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1. CEV EuroVolley 2026 Qualifiers dates - UPDATE

According to the FIVB International Calendar for 2024 and 2025, the dates for the CEV EuroVolley 2026 (Men/Women) qualifiers have been modified as per the information that you can find in the below table:

MEN'S QUALIFIERS DATES (UPDATED)

Qualification Round / dates and schedule according to the Berger Table		
Qualification Round	1 st Leg: 17 th or 18 th August 2024	3 vs 2
	2 nd Leg: 24 th or 25 th August 2024	2 vs 1
	3 rd Leg: 28 th or 29 th August 2024	1 vs 3
	4 th Leg: 09 th or 10 th August 2025	3 vs 1
	5 th Leg: 13 th August 2025	1 vs 2
	6 th Leg: 16 th or 17 th August 2025	2 vs 3

As a general principle, the Berger Table number defines the respective competition schedule and dates in each pool.

WOMEN'S QUALIFIERS DATES (UPDATED)

Qualification Round / dates and schedule according to the Berger Table		
Qualification Round	1 st Leg: 17 th or 18 th August 2024	3 vs 2
	2 nd Leg: 24 th or 25 th August 2024	2 vs 1
	3 rd Leg: 28 th or 29 th August 2024	1 vs 3
	4 th Leg: 02 nd or 03 rd August 2025	3 vs 1
	5 th Leg: 06 th August 2025	1 vs 2
	6 th Leg: 09 th or 10 th August 2025	2 vs 3

As a general principle, the Berger Table number defines the respective competition schedule and dates in each pool.

2. Participating Teams - Qualifiers

Below the confirmed teams are participating in the CEV EuroVolley 2026 Qualifiers (Men/Women).

STATUS OF TEAMS	#	MEN		#	WOMEN	
Level where the team will start the Championship		Country/NF	↓ CEV European Ranking		Country/NF	↓ European Ranking
Teams (12) will be qualified to the Final Round through participating to the qualification round (according to the European Ranking position) (the European Ranking Dated: 06/11/2023 Men and 06/11/2023 Women)	1	TUR	8	1	GER	6
	2	BEL	11	2	BEL	10
	3	CZE	13	3	SLO	13
	4	CRO	16	4	BIH	15
	5	ESP	17	5	ESP	16
	6	GRE	18	6	GRE	17
	7	SVK	19	7	ROU	18
	8	LAT	20	8	CRO	19
	9	MKD	21	9	AUT	21
	10	SUI	22	10	POR	22
	11	EST	23	11	MNE	23
	12	MNE	24	12	ISR	24
	13	AZE	26	13	HUN	25
	14	DEN	27	14	SUI	26
	15	HUN	28	15	FIN	27
	16	AUT	29	16	DEN	28
	17	NOR	31	17	EST	29
	18	ISR	34	18	LAT	31
	19	SWE	35	19	GEO	32
	20	GEO	37	20	MKD	33
	21	KOS	0	21	KOS	0

3. CEV European Ranking for men's and women's national teams - as of November 6, 2023

CEV Senior Continental Ranking - Men		
Last update: 2023-10-29 00:00:05 UTC		
Rank	National Team	CR Score
1	Italy	369
2	Poland	351
3	France	267
4	Slovenia	254
5	Serbia	239
6	Germany	209
7	Bulgaria	186
8	Türkiye	169
9	Ukraine	163
10	Netherlands	160
11	Belgium	156
12	Portugal	156
13	Czech Republic	152
14	Romania	146
15	Finland	140
16	Croatia	138
17	Spain	124
18	Greece	113
19	Slovak Republic	108
20	Latvia	105
21	North Macedonia	105
22	Switzerland	103
23	Estonia	101
24	Montenegro	99
25	Luxembourg	83
26	Azerbaijan	83
27	Denmark	82
28	Hungary	82
29	Austria	81
30	Bosnia and Herzegovina	68
31	Norway	68
32	Albania	66
33	Cyprus	53 *
34	Israel	51 *
35	Sweden	48 *
36	Faroe Islands	37 *
37	Georgia	37
38	Iceland	32 *



CEV Senior Continental Ranking - Women		
<small>Last update: 2023-10-29 00:00:09 UTC</small>		
Rank	National Team	CR Score
1	Serbia	401
2	Türkiye	339
3	Italy	286
4	Netherlands	248
5	Poland	221
6	Germany	199
7	France	184
8	Ukraine	178
9	Bulgaria	172
10	Belgium	166
11	Czech Republic	164
12	Slovak Republic	135
13	Slovenia	133
14	Sweden	126
15	Bosnia and Herzegovina	114
16	Spain	114
17	Greece	111
18	Romania	111
19	Croatia	108
20	Azerbaijan	107
21	Austria	105
22	Portugal	93
23	Montenegro	91
24	Israel	91
25	Hungary	90
26	Switzerland	87
27	Finland	84
28	Denmark	71
29	Estonia	68
30	Norway	56
31	Latvia	52
32	Georgia	38
33	North Macedonia	38 *
34	Cyprus	35 *
35	Iceland	33 *
36	Luxembourg	32 *
37	Faroe Islands	32 *

4. Men's qualifiers – Pool composition

There are seven pools, each one with three teams. The pool winners and the five runners-up with the best result across all pools will secure their participation in the CEV EuroVolley 2026 Final Round.

The pool composition reads as follows:

Berger Table no.	Pool A	Pool B	Pool C	Pool D	Pool E	Pool F	Pool G
1	TUR (8)	BEL (11)	CZE (13)	CRO (16)	ESP (17)	GRE (18)	SVK (19)
2	DEN (27)	AZE (26)	MNE (24)	EST (23)	SUI (22)	MKD (21)	LAT (20)
3	HUN (28)	AUT (29)	NOR (31)	ISR (34)	SWE (35)	GEO (37)	KOS (NP)

The Berger Table number defines the respective competition schedule and dates in each pool (see Official Communication No. 2, Art. 1, page 3).

5. Women's qualifiers – Pool composition

There are seven pools, each one with three teams. The pool winners and the five runners-up with the best result across all pools will secure their participation in the CEV EuroVolley 2026 Final Round.

The pool composition reads as follows:

Berger Table no.	Pool A	Pool B	Pool C	Pool D	Pool E	Pool F	Pool G
1	GER (6)	BEL (10)	SLO (13)	BIH (15)	ESP (16)	GRE (17)	ROU (18)
2	SUI (26)	HUN (25)	ISR (24)	MNE (23)	POR (22)	AUT (21)	CRO (19)
3	FIN (27)	DEN (28)	EST (29)	LAT (31)	GEO (32)	MKD (33)	KOS (NP)

The Berger Table number defines the respective competition schedule and dates in each pool (see Official Communication No. 2, Art. 1, page 3).

6. Qualifiers administrative deadlines

Item:	Deadline:	Action:	Other information:
CEV 07 FORM	Men/Women: March 25th, 2024 <u>Legs 1-3</u>	Organising National Federations are obliged to complete and send the 07 Form inside the CEV database for approval.	<u>The 07 Form</u> is available inside the CEV Database for each leg organising National Federations.
Application for advertising on uniforms	Men/Women: June 10, 2024	If applicable, all participating National Federations having advertisement on team uniforms are required to request the Certificate of Approval for advertising on uniforms.	<u>The advertising on uniforms application form</u> is available in the CEV Database inside the NF user area and must be sent to marketing@cev.eu



Item:	Deadline:	Action:	Other information:
LED application form	Men/Women: June 10, 2024	Organising National federations can apply for the use of the LED system around the court.	The LED form must be downloaded from the download folder in the CEV Cloud: https://cloud.cev.eu/url/ledapplform20 , then uploaded into the NF folder on the Cloud and the Graphics department be informed about the upload (graphics@cev.eu)
PLAYER LICENSES (minimum initial 10 players)	Men/Women: July 15th, 2024 <u>(30 days before 1st Leg for all the remaining legs)</u>	All participating National Federations are required to register all potential players by applying for player licenses using the CEV 04 form within the set deadlines.	The CEV 04 Form can be found inside the NF user area of the CEV Database.
PLAYER LICENSES (remaining players)	Men/Women: July 27th, 2024 (20 days before 1 st leg for all remaining legs)		
PLAYERS 'LONG LIST'	Men / Women: 1st Leg 02/08/24 2nd Leg 09/08/24 3rd Leg 13/08/24	All participating National Federations are required to duly complete and close the CEV 05 Form ('TEAM REGISTRATION'). Please verify each leg's deadline directly on the 05 Form.	The CEV 05 Form can be found inside the NF user area of the CEV Database. It is limited to a maximum of 24 players, out of which maximum 14 players will eventually participate in the match. After it is approved, the CEV 05bis will be automatically created.
CEV 08 FORM	Men / Women: 1st Leg 05/08/24 2nd Leg 12/08/24 3rd Leg 16/08/24	Organising National Federations are obliged to complete and close the 08 Form inside the CEV Database.	The 08 Form can be found inside the NF user areas of the CEV Database.
TRAVEL TICKETS	Men/Women: <u>(minimum 2 weeks before each leg)</u>	Organisers must ensure that the travel ticket(s) and/or the information as to when and where the tickets can be collected <u>are with the CEV Supervisor and Referees.</u>	
CEV 05bis FORM	Before each teams Preliminary Inquiry	Before attending their Preliminary Inquiry, each team must complete and close the CEV 05bis form inside the CEV Database. (FINAL TEAM REGISTRATION)	The maximum 14 players listed on the CEV 05bis Form must have already featured on the CEV 05 form (i.e. the players 'long list').

7. Accreditation cards

It is mandatory to use the CEV Accreditation System for all CEV EuroVolley 2026 Qualifiers.

You can access the accreditation system via [this](#) link or via the National Federations Area of the CEV Database. Furthermore, there is a Badge Manager for the printing of the Badges for the matches. Each team is responsible for printing their badges for both home and away matches and they shall take such badges to their away matches as well, since those cards are valid for the entire qualification round.

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

8. Challenge System

According to the CEV Volleyball Competitions Regulations, the use of the Challenge System is **optional** for the CEV EuroVolley 2026 qualifiers.

In case the Challenge System is used:

- the hosting National Federation is requested to inform at the **latest by 01.07.2024** the CEV (referee@cev.eu) about which system will be used;
- the 2nd Referee appointed for a game will also officiate as a Challenge Referee for the same game.

9. Reserve Referee

For each of their home matches, the hosting National Federations will have to appoint one of their International Referees as a Reserve Referee. The Reserve Referee must be indicated in the respective Form 08 of the match inside the CEV Database.

10. Branding

The Graphics and Marketing Department works with the CEV Cloud.

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.

DOWNLOAD FOLDER

It includes all the essential files and templates required for creating any possible material: <https://cloud.cev.eu/url/natteamsdown>

- Competition brand guideline
- CEV Banner layouts
- Logos
- Poster layout
- Digital templates
- Backdrop layout



- Court layout
- LED system application form
- LED system playlist file

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

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

UPLOAD FOLDER:

It includes all files to be uploaded, checked, and approved by CEV before production. The upload folder has a sub-folder for each National Federation:

<https://cloud.cev.eu/url/natteamsup>

All layouts and files (e.g. LED playlist, etc.) must be uploaded by the National Federations for final approval into their respective folder.

IMPORTANT:

The CEV Cloud does not automatically notify us of new file uploads. Therefore, organisers need to inform CEV (graphics@cev.eu and marketing@cev.eu) via a short email when uploading files for approval.

CEV institutional brand

The CEV institutional kit with the CEV identification markers (CEV logo, flag, etc.) can be found on the CEV website <https://inside.cev.eu/brand/> or downloaded directly from the CEV Cloud <https://cloud.cev.eu/url/cevbranding>.

11. Media Rights & Production Obligation

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Rights Granting

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12. Match Technology & Data Collection

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For each match, the following match technology is provided and used by the participating National Federations for the CEV EuroVolley 2026 Qualifiers:

- a. The CEV E-scoresheet,
- b. The CEV Statistics (only Data Volley 4),
- c. Video Sharing,
- d. ES Referee & Bench applications.

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> . _

Please find here below more information related to the usage of the CEV E-scoresheet, CEV Statistics and Video Sharing applications as indicated in the official Volleyball Competition Regulations:

- The E-scoresheet of a match is the only document which officially records the 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.
- CEV is providing the necessary log-in credentials (including username & password) for the E-scoresheet, CEV Statistics and Video Sharing applications to the Organiser prior to the start of the CEV Competition.
- The Scorer shall complete the E-scoresheet and its printed version according to the Official Volleyball Rules and the Genius Sports application user guidelines.
- The Statistician shall complete the statistics file according to the Genius Sports application user guidelines.
- The Statistician shall upload the statistics and video files to Video Sharing according to the CEV Volleyball Competitions Regulations and the Genius Sports application user guidelines.
- The Organiser shall provide free-of-charge the following facilities and resources during the CEV Competition to operate the CEV E-scoresheet and CEV Statistics in a professional manner:
 - Adequate hardware including laptop or tablet that is running the CEV E-scoresheet and CEV Statistics applications.
 - Ensure download and installation of the latest version of the CEV E-scoresheet and CEV Statistics applications.
 - Ensure stable and high-speed internet connectivity and necessary power supply to ensure a professional data collection and distribution to CEV and CEV Commercial partners.
 - Perform testing of the CEV E-scoresheet and CEV Statistics applications in the Competition Hall one (1) day before the start of each tournament.
 - Ensure appointment of dedicated and experienced e-scorer as well as statisticians during the competition to collect data and statistics.
 - For the CEV Statistics and CEV E-scoresheet, live match statistics shall be delivered throughout the match during the CEV Competition by connecting to the CEV Database, making use of the credentials provided by the CEV.
 - The Organiser shall prohibit any illegal or non-authorized collection, archiving and distribution of match-related data and statistics during the live matches of the competition.

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

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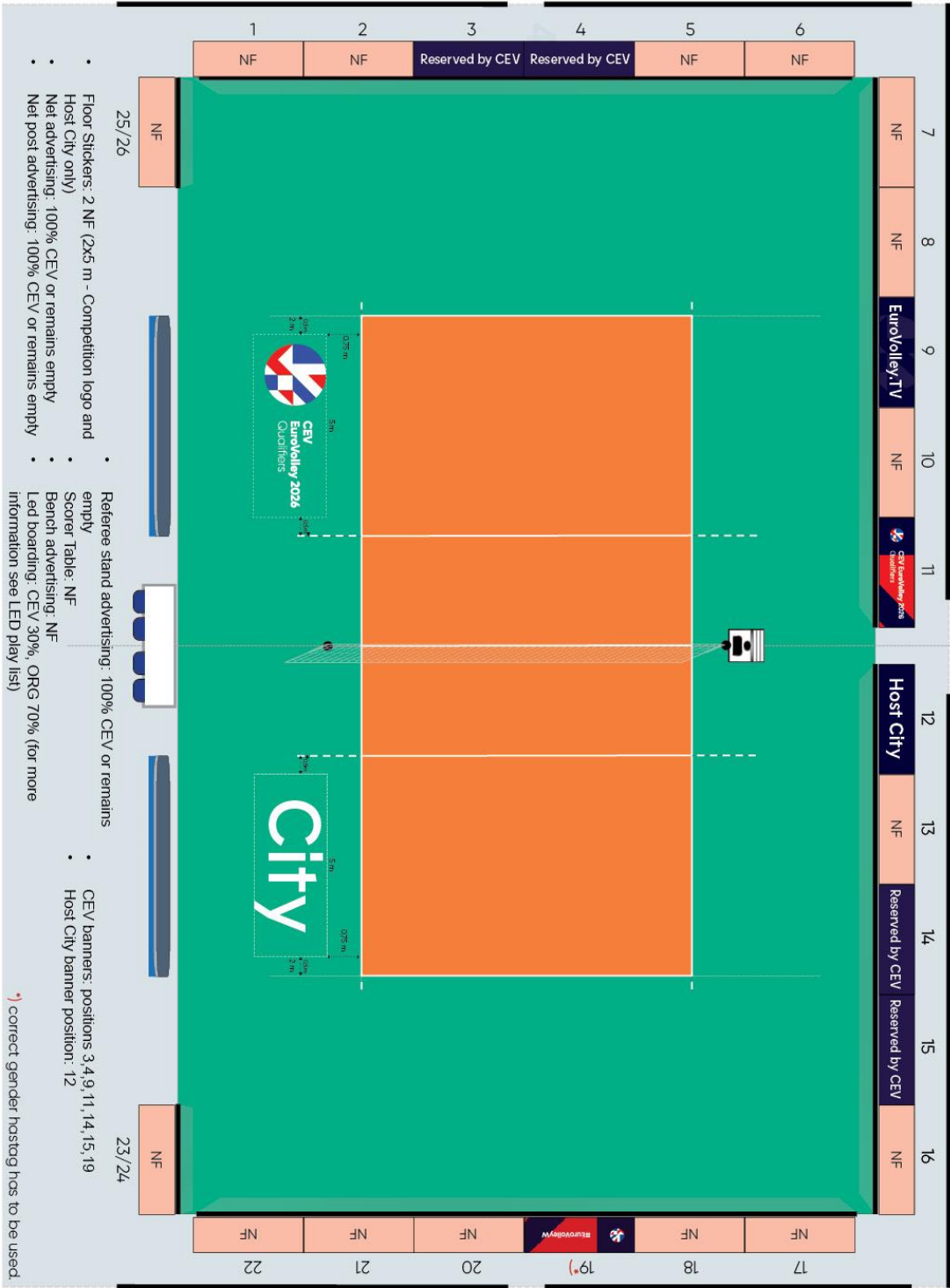


13. Court Layouts



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- Floor Stickers: 2 NF (2x5 m - Competition logo and Host City only)
- Net advertising: 100% CEV or remains empty
- Net post advertising: 100% CEV or remains empty

- Referee stand advertising: 100% CEV or remains empty
- Scorer Table: NF
- Bench advertising: NF
- Led boarding: CEV 30%, ORG 70% (for more information see LED play list)

- CEV banners: positions 3,4,9,11,14,15,19
- Host City banner position: 12

*) correct gender hosting has to be used.

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For all technical details and measurements see the official court layout

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1. CEV EuroVolley 2026 - Qualifiers dates in 2025

The dates for the CEV EuroVolley 2026 (Men/Women) qualifiers are as announced and updated earlier, you can find in the below table:

MEN'S QUALIFIERS DATES IN 2025

Qualification Round / dates and schedule according to the Berger Table		
Qualification Round	4 th Leg: 09 th or 10 th August 2025	3 vs 1
	5 th Leg: 13 th August 2025	1 vs 2
	6 th Leg: 16 th or 17 th August 2025	2 vs 3

As a general principle, the Berger Table number defines the respective competition schedule and dates in each pool.

WOMEN'S QUALIFIERS DATES IN 2025

Qualification Round / dates and schedule according to the Berger Table		
Qualification Round	4 th Leg: 02 nd or 03 rd August 2025	3 vs 1
	5 th Leg: 06 th August 2025	1 vs 2
	6 th Leg: 09 th or 10 th August 2025	2 vs 3

As a general principle, the Berger Table number defines the respective competition schedule and dates in each pool.

2. CEV EuroVolley 2026 - Teams qualified to the Final Phase

Below the confirmed teams are participating in the CEV EuroVolley 2026 (Men/Women). The remaining twelve teams will be qualified through the qualifiers that will be finalised in August 2025 (teams listed in Official Communication no. 2).

STATUS OF TEAMS	#	MEN		#	WOMEN	
		Country/NF	↓ Organisers and 8 best from CEV EuroVolley 2023 final Standing		Country/NF	↓ Organisers and 8 best from CEV EuroVolley 2023 final Standing
① The Organisers (4) and the 8 best classified teams from the CEV EuroVolley 2023 Finals are directly qualified to the CEV EuroVolley 2026 <i>(according to the 2023 CEV Men's & Women's EuroVolley final standing)</i>	1	ITA	ORG.	1	TUR	ORG.
	2	BUL	ORG.	2	CZE	ORG.
	3	FIN	ORG.	3	SWE	ORG.
	4	ROU	ORG.	4	AZE	ORG.
	5	POL	1.	5	SRB	2.
	6	SLO	3.	6	NED	3.
	7	FRA	4.	7	ITA	4.
	8	NED	5.	8	POL	5.
	9	SRB	6.	9	FRA	6.
	10	UKR	8.	10	BUL	7.
	11	GER	9.	11	UKR	9.
	12	POR	10.	12	SVK	10.

3. Qualifiers administrative deadlines in 2025

Item:	Deadline:	Action:	Other information:
CEV 07 FORM	Men/Women: <u>March 03rd, 2025</u> <u>Legs 4-6</u>	Organising National Federations are obliged to complete and send the 07 Form inside the CEV database for approval.	<u>The 07 Form</u> is available inside the CEV Database for each leg organising National Federations.
TV-01 FORM	Men/Women: <u>Submission deadline:</u> <u>June 27th 2025</u> <u>Legs 4-6</u>	Organising National Federations to fill in & sign document in collaboration with their appointed host broadcaster.	The TV-01 form is sent via email by the CEV to the Organising National Federations.
Application for advertising on uniforms	Men/Women: June 09, 2025	If applicable, all participating National Federations having advertisement on team uniforms are required to request the Certificate of Approval for advertising on uniforms.	<u>The advertising on uniforms application form</u> is available in the CEV Database inside the NF user area and must be sent to marketing@cev.eu
LED application form	Men/Women: June 09, 2025	Organising National federations can apply for the use of the LED system around the court.	<u>The LED form</u> must be downloaded from the download folder in the CEV Cloud: https://cloud.cev.eu/url/ledapplform20 , then uploaded into the NF folder on the Cloud and the Graphics department be informed about the upload (graphics@cev.eu)
PLAYER LICENSES (remaining players)	Women: July 14th, 2025 Men: July 21st, 2025 (~20 days before 4 th leg for all remaining three legs, Legs 4 to 6)	All participating National Federations are required to register all potential players by applying for player licenses using the CEV 04 form within the set deadlines.	<u>The CEV 04 Form</u> can be found inside the NF user area of the CEV Database.
PLAYERS 'LONG LIST'	Women for: 4th Leg 18/07/25 5th Leg 22/07/25 6th Leg 25/07/25 Men for: 4th Leg 25/07/25 5th Leg 29/07/25 6th Leg 01/08/25	All participating National Federations are required to duly complete and close the CEV 05 Form ('TEAM REGISTRATION'). Please verify each leg's deadline directly on the 05 Form.	<u>The CEV 05 Form</u> can be found inside the NF user area of the CEV Database. It is limited to a maximum of 24 players, out of which maximum 14 players will eventually participate in the match. After it is approved, the CEV 05bis will be automatically created.



Item:	Deadline:	Action:	Other information:
CEV 08 FORM	Women for: 4 th Leg 20/07/25 5 th Leg 24/07/25 6 th Leg 27/07/25 Men for: 4 th Leg 27/07/25 5 th Leg 31/07/25 6 th Leg 03/08/25	Organising National Federations are obliged to complete and close the 08 Form inside the CEV Database.	<u>The 08 Form</u> can be found inside the NF user areas of the CEV Database.
TRAVEL TICKETS	Men/Women: (<u>minimum 2 weeks</u> before each leg)	Organisers must ensure that the travel ticket(s) and/or the information as to when and where the tickets can be collected <u>are with the CEV Supervisor and Referees.</u>	
CEV 05bis FORM	Before each teams Preliminary Inquiry	Before attending their Preliminary Inquiry, each team must complete and close the CEV 05bis form inside the CEV Database. (FINAL TEAM REGISTRATION)	The maximum 14 players listed on <u>the CEV 05bis Form</u> must have already featured on the CEV 05 form (i.e. the players 'long list').

For the other administrative topics, we kindly ask you to verify the Official Communication no. 2 regarding the below mentioned topics:

- Accreditation Cards
- Challenge System
- Reserve Referee
- Branding
- Media Rights & Production Obligation
- Match Technology & Data Collection
- Court Layouts

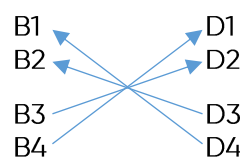
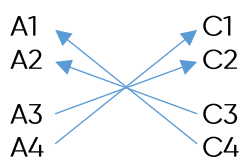
4. CEV EuroVolley 2026 – Final Phase Competition System

The competition system for the CEV EuroVolley 2026, Men and Women is as follows:

Phase	Competition method
Gold Medal match	Knock-out with a single-leg match
Bronze Medal match	
Semifinals	
1/4 finals	
1/8 finals	
Preliminary pools	Round robin with a single-leg match

General provisions:

- Preliminary Pools
 - The 24 National Federations are allocated equally in 4 Preliminary pools. In each Preliminary pool, the four best placed teams qualify to the 1/8 finals.
- The 1/8 finals
 - The best four classified teams from Pool A and C play against each other. Same goes for Pool B and D, as follows:



- The 1/4 finals
 - The winners of the 1/8 finals qualify to the 1/4 finals.
 - Men: The 1/4 Finals will be played in two host countries - in Italy and Bulgaria between the two winners of the 1/8 Finals that were played in the same country.
 - Women: The 1/4 Finals will be played in two host countries - in Türkiye and Czechia between the two winners of the 1/8 Finals that were played in the same country.
- The Semifinals
 - The winners of the 1/4 finals In the Semifinals.
 - The matches will play in Türkiye for Women and Italy for Men
- The Final
 - The 2 winners of the Semifinals qualify to the Gold Medal match while the 2 losers of the Semifinals will play for the Bronze Medal match
 - The Finals will be played in Türkiye for Women and in Italy for Men's competition.

The competition period and exact dates of both respective Women's and Men's Finals will be communicated soon.



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