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# Beach Volleyball



**TECHNICAL MANUAL**

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## TECHNICAL INFORMATION

### 1. International Federation

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### 2. National Federation

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### 3. Management of the competition

Technical Delegate of FIVB: to be confirmed

Competition manager: Mr. Luis F. Muchaga

#### 3.1 Management of the venue

Venue manager: to be confirmed

## 4. Events and dates

### 4.1 Sport programme

The competition of Beach Volleyball at the XVIII Mediterranean Games Tarragona 2018 will include the following events:

BEACH VOLLEYBALL	
Men	Women
Team tournament	Team tournament

### 4.2 Dates and venues

The competition of Beach Volleyball will be held on the Arrabassada Beach in Tarragona, **from Thursday 28 to Saturday 30 June 2018.**

## 5. Conditions for the development of the competition

The competition of Beach Volleyball will take place if a minimum of eight (8) countries for the Men's tournament and of six (6) countries for the Women's tournament are entered **by 23:59 (Spanish time) on 22 March 2018.**

According to the number of confirmed entries, the President of the ICMG Technical Commission, together with one (1) or two (2) members of said commission, appointed by the ICMG President, and in the presence of the OGMG Tarragona 2018 Sports Director, will decide, **on 9 May 2018**, on the list of cancelled events.

Once an event will have been confirmed, it will be held and the corresponding medals and diplomas distributed, regardless of the number of participants.

### 5.1 Cancellation of events

The OCMG Tarragona 2018 will inform immediately all the National Olympic Committees (NOCs) of the list of those cancelled events that have not reached the minimum quota of participants.

## 6. Rules of the competition

The Beach Volleyball competition will be held according to FIVB rules in force **on 1 January 2018**, unless the ICMG exceptionally authorises otherwise.

All other issues not covered in this Technical Manual will be solved as follows:

- For general issues, ICMG regulations will apply.
- For technical issues, FIVB regulations will apply

## 7. Technical organisation

RFEVB, under the supervision of FIVB Technical Delegate, is responsible for the technical organisation and for the development of the Beach Volleyball competition during the XVIII Mediterranean Games Tarragona 2018.

### 7.1 Special procedures for the development of the competition

Any issue that may arise prior or during the events will be resolved by the competition management, as per ICMG and FIVB rules, **in force on 1 January 2018**, unless the ICMG exceptionally authorises otherwise.

The exact measures to be taken regarding the organisation of the Beach Volleyball competition will depend on the final number of participants.

### 7.2 Drawing of the lots and composition of the groups

Depending on the final number of participating teams at the Volleyball competition, **at 23:59 (Spanish time) on 22 March 2018**, the Competition Management and FIVB Technical Delegate will establish the system of the men and women competitions.

Once the participating teams have confirmed their participation at the Technical Meeting, teams will be placed in the pools or groups of competition according to the sum of the individual points of the two players of the pair, on the day of the Technical Meeting, following FIVB Athlete Entry Points system.

The best local team (ESP), if ranked among the four best-ranked teams, will be seeded number 1; if not, it will be seeded number 4. The second local team (ESP) will be seeded according to its points.

There will be no teams of the same country in the same pool and, if necessary, the second team of each country will have its seeding downgraded until it reaches a pool where the other team of its country is not placed.

### 7.3 System of competition

Pools will be formed to determine which team qualify for the final round. There will be eight (8), six (6) or four (4) pools, of four (4) teams each.

Each pool will play following the round-robin system: each team will play the others, once.

**For a tournament organized with eight (8) pools of four (4) teams:** the two (2) best-ranked teams of each pool will qualify for the final phase, which will be played in eight quarterfinals (if enough teams are entered), quarterfinals, semi-finals and finals.

**For a tournament organized with six (6) pools of four (4) teams:** the two (2) best-ranked teams of each pool together with the four best-ranked teams among the team ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> of each pool will qualify for the final phase, which will be played with eight quarterfinals (if enough teams are entered), quarterfinals, semi-finals and finals.

**For a tournament organized with four (4) pools of four (4) teams:** the two (2) best-ranked teams of each pool will qualify for the final phase, which will be played with quarterfinals, semi-finals and finals.

From the eighth quarterfinals on, the teams will compete on a direct elimination system.

In the final phase, seeding of qualified team will be as follows:

With eight (8) pools in the first phase: the best-ranked team of each pool will draw seedings 1 to 8 and the 2<sup>nd</sup> best-ranked teams will draw seedings 9 to 16.

With six (6) pools in the first phase: the best-ranked team of each pool will draw seedings 1 to 6; the 2<sup>nd</sup> best-ranked teams will draw seedings 7 to 12 and the 3<sup>rd</sup> best-ranked teams will draw 13 to 16.

With four (4) pools in the first phase: the best-ranked team of each pool will draw seedings 1 to 4 and the 2<sup>nd</sup> best-ranked teams will draw seedings 5 to 8.

Draws will be organized so that teams who have coincided during the 1<sup>st</sup> phase in the same group or are of the same country do not coincide again in the 2<sup>nd</sup> phase. The Supervisor will decide otherwise depending on the final number of participating teams.

## 8. Competition venue

The Beach Volleyball competition at the XVIII Mediterranean Games Tarragona 2018 will be held at the Arrabassada Beach in Tarragona, 16.5 Km from the Mediterranean Village. The pavilion can host 1.600 spectators.

Competition venue	Distance to Village	Capacity	Municipality
Arrabassada Beach	16.5 Km	1.600	Tarragona

### 8.1 Competition area

Beach Volleyball competitions will be played on one (1) central court and four (4) further courts, which measures and surface are homologated by FIVB.

The competition area includes the field of play, the intermediate area (located between the field of play and the public grandstands).

The field of play will measure 26m x 18m and it includes the court and the free zone, fenced with 3.5m x 1m boards.



The courts will measure 16m x 8m, following FIVB regulations for Beach Volleyball.

The competition of Beach Volleyball will be conducted on the natural sand of the Arrabassada Beach, with the depth and characteristics in line with FIVB regulations.

### 8.2 Warm-up area

The warm-up area will be the same as the area for competition.

### 8.3 Changing rooms

Athletes will have separate changing rooms for men and women, equipped with showers and toilets.

### 8.4 Athletes' lounge

Teams will have at their disposal an athletes' lounge with water, energising drinks and fruits.

### 8.5 Press Tribune

Accredited media will have a press tribune at their disposal.

### 8.6 Sport equipment

All sport and technical equipment used during Beach Volleyball competitions and trainings will comply with FIVB rules **in force on 1 January 2018**, unless the ICMG exceptionally authorises otherwise.

## 9. Training sessions

### 9.1 Training venue

Training sessions for Beach Volleyball at the XVIII Mediterranean Games Tarragona 2018 will be held at the competition venue, on the Arrabassada Beach in Tarragona, 16.5 Km away from the Mediterranean Village.

Training venue	Distance to Village	Municipality	Municipality
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Arrabassada Beach	16.5 Km	Tarragona	Competition venue According to schedule
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During competition, and in addition to the five (5) competition courts, players will have at their disposal one (1) further court on the Arrabassada Beach.

Depending on the order of play, participating teams will receive their training schedule on the day prior to their competition. Trainings will be carried out individually or in groups.

### 9.2 Services available at training venue

Services at the training venue will be those available for the competition.

### 9.3 Media during training sessions

Training sessions will be opened to the media but not to the public. The competition manager will be authorised to change this rule when and if he deems it necessary.

Upon their arrival, teams will receive all relevant information on the training sessions, both at the Sport Information Centre (SIC) at the Mediterranean Village and at the Technical Information Centre (TIC<sup>1</sup>) for Beach Volleyball.

## 10. Participation

All NOCs members of the ICMG, whose National Federation is a member association of FIVB, are entitled to participate in the Beach Volleyball competition of the XVIII Mediterranean Games Tarragona 2018.

Athletes taking part in the competition must have the nationality of the country they represent and abide by the conditions and rules of ICMG and FIVB.

<sup>1</sup> The acronym TIC (Technical information centre) that is used in several sports will adopt the technical name of each competition (Referee, Technical Directory, etc...).

Each NOC may take part in the Beach Volleyball competition with two (2) teams for the men's tournament and two (2) teams for the women's tournament. Each team will be composed by two (2) players.

## 11. Entries

### 11.1 General principles

The XVIII Mediterranean Games Tarragona 2018 are open to all the athletes of the NOCs of the Mediterranean countries members of the ICMG, as indicated in the rules of the ICMG Charter and of the IOC.

All athletes taking part in the Games must be citizens of the country they represent, in accordance with the IOC rules.

Prior to the Games, all participating athletes will have to fill in and sign the "Athlete Consent Form" as defined by the World Anti-doping Agency.

### 11.2 Procedures

The registration process is linked to the general system of accreditations.

The OCMG Tarragona 2018 entry system is an e-portal accreditation accessible through the official website of the Games: [www.tarragona2018.cat](http://www.tarragona2018.cat).

Each delegation will have its own user name and password to have access to this e-portal accreditation available in both French and English.

The portal will allow users to print a list of sport entries which, once signed, will have to be sent back, within the deadlines indicated below, to the OCMG Tarragona 2018: [entries@tarragona2018.cat](mailto:entries@tarragona2018.cat)

#### 11.2.1 Entries by number

The list of entries by number of participants for each NOC and event will have to be submitted, through the e-portal accreditation, **by 23:59 (Spanish time) on 22 March 2018**.

### **Deposit for team sports**

NOCs participating with a team will have to make a deposit of 3.000 € on the OCMG Tarragona 2018 bank account, **by 22 March 2018**, for each team entered.

In case an NOC decides not to take part in a team event or if it finally does not take part in the team competition, said deposit will not be refunded.

NOCs taking part in the team competitions they have registered for will get a refund of said deposit on the bank account they will have provided as a reference.

Operation bank fees for the refunds will be covered by the NOCs.

#### *11.2.2 Preliminary entries by name (Long list)*

The list of preliminary entries of participants by names, by NOC and event, will have to be submitted via the e-portal accreditation, **by 23:59 (Spanish time) on 6 April 2018**.

#### *11.2.3 Final entries by name (Short list)*

The NOC of each participating country will have to submit to the OCMG Tarragona 2018, through the e-portal accreditation, the form with the final entries of their participants by name, fifteen (15) days before the beginning of the Games, **that is to say on 7 June 2018 (by 23:59, Spanish time)**.

### **11.3 Confirmation of entries**

Confirmation of entries will take place during the DRM and any eventual modification that could be acceptable will be presented to the SIC and confirmed, at a later stage, during the Technical Meeting.

Specific forms for the confirmation of entries will be distributed in advance to the Head of Mission of each NOC.

## **12. Technical Meeting**

The technical Meeting will take place on **27 June 2018, at 19:00, at the Mediterranean Village Residents' Services Centre**.

The meeting, together with a Preliminary Inquiry Meeting and a specific technical meeting, will be carried out according to FIVB rules, and chaired by FIVB Technical Delegate. The following persons must be in attendance:

- FIVB Technical Delegate;
- One member of the ICMG Technical Commission;
- The team managers (one per country);
- The players (2 per team);
- The coaches (one per team);
- The team doctors (one per team);
- The OCMG Tarragona 2018 Competition Manager for Beach Volleyball.

### 13. Medical services

#### 13.1 Medical services available at the Village and on the competition venues

During the XVIII Mediterranean Games Tarragona 2018, medical services will be available to any accredited athlete or official who might need them, both at the Mediterranean Village and on the competition venues.

##### 13.1.1 Mediterranean Village

The polyclinic at the Village will provide the residents with the following services:

- Sport medicine
- Physiotherapy
- First aid
- Emergency services 24/24h

A fleet of ambulances will link the polyclinic and the main hospitals, should additional care be needed.

##### 13.1.2 Competition venues

During the events, all competition venues will provide to the athletes the following services:

- Medical services
- Ambulance services

Coolers filled with ice will be available for the delegations at all sport venues.

### 13.2 Anti-doping control

Anti-doping controls will be carried out during or out of the competition, under the authority of the ICMG Medical and Anti-doping Commission and with the collaboration of the OCMG Tarragona 2018 anti-doping services, in accordance with the rules of ICMG, FIVB and the World Anti-doping Code.

All competitors who undergo a control will receive written notification. The official procedure for the collection of sample will subsequently start, in accordance with the official deadlines and regulations.

Any athlete who refuses to submit to a doping control, or who is declared positive after the test, will be disqualified from the competition and will be sanctioned along with his or her team, in accordance with the ICMG and FIVB regulations.

## 14. Referees-umpires

### 14.1 Jury of Appeal

In accordance with the technical event regulations of each sport at the XVIII Mediterranean Games Tarragona 2018, international juries of appeal will be formed. They will be responsible for ruling on formal protests and appeals.

In the event that the Technical Delegate is not the Chairman of the Jury of Appeal, FIVB will, through its Technical Delegate, designate the Chairman of the appropriately composed Jury of Appeal.

Unless special dispensation is granted by FIVB, a Jury of Appeal will be composed of one (1) Chairman and two (2) members selected from a list of six (6) suitably qualified representatives of the participating countries.

The list will be communicated by the Technical Delegate during the Technical Meeting.

During the processing of a dispute, the members of the Jury of Appeal belonging to the countries involved will abstain from participating.

## 14.2 Referees – judges

Each NOC who takes part in the Beach Volleyball competition will have to register with its delegation one (1) international referee per participating team. The name of said referees will have to be included in their entries by name list.

The Refereeing Team of the competition of Beach Volleyball at the XVIII Mediterranean Games Tarragona 2018 will be composed as follows:

- Two (2) referees appointed by FIVB;
- The international referees registered by the participating NOCs;
- Any referee appointed by RFEVB to complete the refereeing teams for the competition.

Scorers and line judges for the competition will be appointed by RFEVB.

## 15. Claims

Claims will be ruled following FIVB rules. Any claim can be raised by the relevant NOC, in written in Arabic, French or English, accompanied by an economical deposit in cash which amount is established by FIVB rules.

All claims will be addressed to the TIC for Beach Volleyball who will forward them to the secretariat of the Jury of Appeal and to the ICMG Technical Commission.

The deposit will only be refunded if the claim is successful.

## 16. Sport clothing

### 16.1 Sport clothing for the athletes

Athletes at the Beach Volleyball competition of the XVIII Mediterranean Games Tarragona 2018 will have to wear a sport equipment that complies with FIVB and ICMG regulations.

Each team will possess three (3) sets of jerseys of different colours (light and dark). The teams playing a game will wear a contrasting colour jerseys.

In case of a coincidence of colour between the teams playing a match, there will be a draw to establish which team must change its colour. This does not apply to the host country which will always choose the colour of its uniform.

Players will wear number 1 and number 2. The number must match with the number indicated on the Entry form for the team and with the number on the uniform. Players will wear the same number throughout the competition.

Athletes' sport clothing and equipment will bear no commercial brand. As an exception, the brand name of the manufacturer of the clothing or the equipment will be tolerated if it is discreet and does not have any advertisement purpose, in accordance to the ICMG and FIFA rules.

The same rule will apply for the **medal ceremonies** regarding sport clothing and advertisement. Athletes will step on the podium with the official clothing of their respective NOC.

## 16.2 Sport clothing for the referees

International referees must wear FIVB uniform throughout the competition.

## 17. Medal ceremonies

The Medal ceremonies will take place at the end of each competition.

### 17.1 Medals and diplomas

The following medals and diplomas will be distributed, as per the ICMG rules:

#### 17.1.1 First place

Gold medal and diploma for each player of the team in the first place.

#### 17.1.2 Second place

Silver medal and diploma to each player of the team in the second place.



### 17.1.3 Third place

Bronze medal and diploma to each player of the team in the third place.

### 17.1.4 From the fourth to the eight place

Diploma to each player in the teams in the fourth to the eighth place.

## 18. Calendar and schedule

The competition of Beach Volleyball will take place from **Thursday 28 to Saturday 30 June 2018**, according to the following schedule (this schedule is provisional and could vary depending on the final entries):

Thursday 28 June		
Beach Volleyball		
Arrabassada Beach in Tarragona		
	Men	Women
9:00 - 14:00	PRELIMINARY ROUNDS, EIGHTH QUARTERFINALS, QUARTERFINALS	
15:30 - 20:00	PRELIMINARY ROUNDS, EIGHTH QUARTERFINALS, QUARTERFINALS	
Friday 29 June		
Beach Volleyball		
Arrabassada Beach in Tarragona		
	Men	Women
9:00 - 14:00	PRELIMINARY ROUNDS, EIGHTH QUARTERFINALS, QUARTERFINALS	
15:30 - 20:00	PRELIMINARY ROUNDS, EIGHTH QUARTERFINALS, QUARTERFINALS	
Saturday 30 June		
Beach Volleyball		
Arrabassada Beach in Tarragona		
	Men	Women
10:00	SEMI-FINALS MEN AND WOMEN	
16:00	3 <sup>rd</sup> – 4 <sup>th</sup> PLACES MEN AND WOMEN	
Followed by	FINALS	

The Organising Committee may also change the competition schedule, with the agreement of the Technical Delegate, should special circumstances arise.

Each team or athlete will then be informed, at least, twenty-four (24) hours in advance.

### 19. Technical offices

Two offices will provide specific information on the Beach Volleyball competition:

- TIC of Beach Volleyball, at the competition venue.
- SIC at the Mediterranean Village.

These offices will provide information on the schedule of competition, training sessions, transport, list of players and results.

### 20. Approval of the regulations

In case of disagreement on the interpretation of these regulations with any other related version, the French version will take precedence.

This Technical Manual was approved by the ICMG on 22 May 2016.