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### GENERAL

The purpose of the “ISF Volleyball Technical Rules and Regulations” is to provide standardised rules and regulations for all Volleyball competitions. This document is set up in accordance with the ISF Statutes, the ISF Sport Policy and the ISF General Competition Regulations.

This document is intended to ensure that all matters related to competitions are conducted in a fair and orderly manner.

The specific objectives of this document are to:

1. Define and specify the **general conditions** under which participants can take part in the ISF volleyball events;
2. Determine the **delegation composition**;
3. Determine the **sport program**;
4. Determine the **technical rules**.
5. Set the **draw** procedure
6. Set **protests and appeals** procedure

Please note that the technical rules and regulations are applicable to all ISF events. In case of variation of rules and regulations in relation to the type of event, the variation will be specified in the text.

### 1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

The competition of ISF Volleyball events will be run according to the ISF rules and regulations and Fédération Internationale de Volleyball (FIVB) technical rules under the direction of the ISF Volleyball Technical Commission (TC Volleyball). Any decisions over matters not mentioned in the present document will anyhow need to be taken by the ISF Technical Commission.

- The ISF Volleyball events are open to school teams and/or selected teams. Specific sports formats shall be described in the event bulletins.
- The competition is categorised as: boy categories, girl categories.
- Mixed teams are not allowed.
- The composition of each delegation, age category and number of teams that each ISF Volleyball event is accepting will be defined for each event accordingly.
- The competition is held over six (6) days for any event type.

### AGE CATEGORY

- **For the U15 category**, students aged **13, 14 and 15** on 31 December of the year of the competition concerned can participate.
- **For the U18 category**, students aged **16, 17, and 18** on 31 December of the year of the competition concerned can participate.



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### 2. DELEGATION COMPOSITION

Each delegation will consist of:

- Head of delegation
- Deputy Head of delegation (where applicable)
- Additional adults
- Athletes
- Team officials
  - Coaches
  - Other team officials
- Field of play officials (referees)

#### HEAD OF DELEGATION (HoD)

- HoD shall be the main intermediary between the delegation and the Local Organising Committee, the ISF Technical Commission and the ISF Delegate.
- They may not combine their role of HoD with that of a coach or any other official role.
- Each delegation is entitled to enter 1 HoD.

#### DEPUTY HEAD OF DELEGATION (Deputy HoD)

- The role of Deputy HoD is to assist the Head of Delegation.
- The presence of the Deputy HoD is not mandatory.
- Number of Deputy HoD depends on the size of the delegation. Specific numbers shall be defined in the event bulletins.

#### ADDITIONAL ADDULTS

- The function of additional adults can be: interpreter, security personnel, ministry representative, media, etc.
- The presence of additional adults is not mandatory.
- The function of each additional adult must be specified during the registration process.
- Any other additional persons not specified during registration or exceeding the limit specified in this document will not be considered part of the official delegation and will not be accredited by the LOC.
- Number of additional adults depends on the size of the delegation. Specific numbers shall be defined in the event bulletins.

#### ATHLETES

- Athletes must be students attending schools that provide general education.
- Athletes must be enrolled as full-time students at a school in the country which they represent.
- Each team is entitled to enter:
  - ✓ **a minimum of eight (8) athletes,**
  - ✓ **a maximum of twelve (12) athletes.**
- Within the 12 players up to 2 liberos can be listed. So the team may be composed by:
  - 12 regular players and 0 libero
  - 11 regular players and 1 libero
  - 10 regular players and 2 liberos
  - If the team has less than 12 players only 1 libero can be listed.



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### TEAM OFFICIALS

#### *Coaches*

- The presence of a coach is mandatory.
- Teams cannot participate in the competition without the presence of a coach.
- Each team is entitled to enter a minimum of one (1) and a maximum of two (2) coaches.

#### *Other Team officials*

- The function of other team officials can be: doctor, trainer, physiotherapist, statistician, team manager etc.
- The presence of the other team officials is not mandatory.
- The function of the other team officials must be specified during the registration process.
- Any person not specified during registration or exceeding the limit will not be considered part of the team.
- Each team is entitled to enter up to two (2) other team officials.

### FIELD OF PLAY OFFICIAL

- Each team shall enter one (1) field of play official (referee).
- The Field of play officials cannot combine their position with other positions, such as heads of delegation, team officials or additional adults.
- Field of play officials (referees) shall be in possession international (FIVB) or national qualification depending on the event type. Level of qualification shall be described in the event bulletins.
- The qualification will be reviewed and approved by the ISF Volleyball technical commission. Delegations must provide certificates for field of play officials during the registration process.
- Failure to provide the required number of field of play officials (referees) will lead to a fine of 900€ (per referee) payable to the organiser prior to the competitions.

## 3. SPORT PROGRAM

#### *EVENTS*

- Boys and Girls Tournament

## 4. TECHNICAL RULES

#### *SYSTEM OF PLAY*

Please refer to the ISF General Competition Regulations.

- First part of the competition:

Qualification games in groups (all x all)

- Second part of the competition:

Classification games by a ranking system.



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System of play according to the number of teams:

### 12 teams

- ✓ The teams will be divided into four groups of three teams.
- ✓ The qualification round will consist of three rounds of one match per pool, according to the Berger table.
- ✓ The classification round will consist of knock-out matches organised as follows:
  - Rank from 1 to 8 for the winners and runners-up of each pool.

# game	1st - 8th place		# game	1st - 4th place		Final ranking games		
1	A1	C2	5	W 1	W 2	1st - 2nd	W5	W6
2	C1	A2	6	W 3	W 4	3rd - 4th	L5	L6
3	B1	D2	# game	5th - 8th place		5th - 6th	W7	W8
4	D1	B2	7	L 1	L 2	7th - 8th	L7	L8
			8	L 3	L 4			

- Places from 9 to 12 for teams ranked 3rd in each pool.

# game	9th - 12th place		Final ranking games		
1	A3	C3	9th - 10th		W1 W2
2	B3	D3	11th - 12th		L1 L2

### 16 teams

- ✓ The teams will be divided into four groups of four teams.
- ✓ The qualification round will consist of three rounds of two matches per pool, according to the Berger table.
- ✓ The classification round will consist of knock-out matches organised as follows:
  - Rank from 1 to 8 for the winners and runners-up of each pool.

# game	1st - 8th place		# game	1st - 4th place		Final ranking games		
1	A1	C2	5	W 1	W 2	1st - 2nd	W5	W6
2	C1	A2	6	W 3	W 4	3rd - 4th	L5	L6
3	B1	D2	# game	5th - 8th place		5th - 6th	W7	W8
4	D1	B2	7	L 1	L 2	7th - 8th	L7	L8
			8	L 3	L 4			

- Places from 9 to 16 for teams ranked 3rd and 4th in each pool.

# game	9th - 16th place		# game	9th - 12th place		Final ranking games		
1	A3	C4	5	W 1	W 2	9th - 10th	W5	W6
2	C3	A4	6	W 3	W 4	11th - 12th	L5	L6
3	B3	D4	# game	13th - 16th place		13th - 14th	W7	W8
4	D3	B4	7	L 1	L 2	15th - 16th	L7	L8
			8	L 3	L 4			

### 24 teams

- ✓ The teams will be divided into four groups of six teams.
- ✓ The qualification round will consist of five rounds of three matches per pool, according to the Berger table.
- ✓ The classification round will consist of knock-out matches organised as follows:



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➤ Places from 1 to 8 for the winners and runners-up of each pool.

# game	1st - 8th place		# game	1st - 4th place		Final ranking games		
1	A1	C2	5	W 1	W 2	1st - 2nd	W5	W6
2	C1	A2	6	W 3	W 4	3rd - 4th	L5	L6
3	B1	D2	# game	5th - 8th place		5th - 6th	W7	W8
4	D1	B2	7	L 1	L 2	7th - 8th	L7	L8
			8	L 3	L 4			

➤ Places from 9 to 16 for teams ranked 3rd and 4th in each pool.

# game	9th - 16th place		# game	9th - 12th place		Final ranking games		
1	A3	C4	5	W 1	W 2	9th - 10th	W5	W6
2	C3	A4	6	W 3	W 4	11th - 12th	L5	L6
3	B3	D4	# game	13th - 16th place		13th - 14th	W7	W8
4	D3	B4	7	L 1	L 2	15th - 16th	L7	L8
			8	L 3	L 4			

➤ Places from 17 to 24 for teams ranked 5th and 6th in each pool.

# game	17th - 24th		# game	17th - 20th		Final ranking games		
1	A5	C6	5	W 1	W 2	17th - 18th	W5	W6
2	C5	A6	6	W 3	W 4	19th - 20th	L5	L6
3	B5	D6	# game	21st - 24th		21st - 22nd	W7	W8
4	D5	B6	7	L 1	L 2	23rd - 24th	L7	L8
			8	L 3	L 4			

### 32 teams

- ✓ The teams will be divided into eight groups of four teams.
- ✓ The qualification round will consist of three rounds of two matches per pool, according to the Berger table.
- ✓ The classification round will consist of knock-out matches organised as follows:

➤ Places from 1 to 8 for the winners of each pool.

# game	1st - 8th place		# game	1st - 4th place		Final ranking games		
1	A1	C1	5	W 1	W 2	1st - 2nd	W5	W6
2	B1	D1	6	W 3	W 4	3rd - 4th	L5	L6
3	E1	G1	# game	5th - 8th place		5th - 6th	W7	W8
4	F1	H1	7	L 1	L 2	7th - 8th	L7	L8
			8	L 3	L 4			

➤ Places from 9 to 16 the runners-up from each pool

# game	9th - 16th place		# game	9th - 12th place		Final ranking games		
1	A2	C2	5	W 1	W 2	9th - 10th	W5	W6
2	B2	D2	6	W 3	W 4	11th - 12th	L5	L6
3	E2	G2	# game	13th - 16th place		13th - 14th	W7	W8
4	F2	H2	7	L 1	L 2	15th - 16th	L7	L8
			8	L 3	L 4			



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➤ Places from 17 to 24 for teams ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> in each pool.

# game	17th - 24th place		# game	17th - 20th place		Final ranking games		
1	A3	C3	5	W 1	W 2	17th - 18th	W5	W6
2	B3	D3	6	W 3	W 4	19th - 20th	L5	L6
3	E3	G3	# game	21st - 24th place		21st - 22nd	W7	W8
4	F3	H3	7	L 1	L 2	23rd - 24th	L7	L8
			8	L 3	L 4			

➤ Places from 25 to 32 for teams ranked 4<sup>th</sup> in each pool.

# game	25th - 32 <sup>nd</sup> place		# game	25th - 28 <sup>th</sup> place		Final ranking games		
1	A4	C4	5	W 1	W 2	25th - 26th	W5	W6
2	B4	D4	6	W 3	W 4	27th - 28th	L5	L6
3	E4	G4	# game	29th - 32 <sup>nd</sup> place		29th - 30rd	W7	W8
4	F4	H4	7	L 1	L 2	31st - 32nd	L7	L8
			8	L 3	L 4			

\* ISF TC will adjust the system of play according to the final number of the registered teams

### SPECIFIC RULES

- Net height U18: Girls: 2,24m / Boys: 2,43m
- Net height U15: Girls: 2,20m / Boys: 2,35m
- Time-interval scheduled between the beginning of 2 matches cannot be less than 1h30 (2 winning sets) and 2h00 (3 winning sets). However, if the previous game extends beyond the time, the warm-up should only start after the playing area is free and the administrative procedures of the previous game are completed. And, the game will start exactly 30 minutes after the official closing of the previous game. The referees communicate the new game time to the coaches of both teams.
- If there are no warm-up halls, the interval between the two games will not be less than 30 minutes, starting from the time of previous game score sheet closure.
- All matches will be played for 2 winning sets (2 in all games and ranking games), except ½ finals and finals (will be played for 3 winning sets).

Allocation of points for the Group matches (1st Phase):

- 2-0: W 3 points; L 0 point
- 2-1: W 2 points; L 1 point

### RANKING SYSTEM AFTER GROUP PHASE

1. Total points after all matches of group phase
2. Number of victories in all matches
3. Result of game between the equal teams

In phase of groups (1<sup>st</sup> phase), in case of equal points, teams will be ranked according to :

- Number of victories = teams equally ranked will be classified in descending order by the number of matches won.
- Set quotient = if the tie persists, teams equally ranked will be classified in descending order by the quotient resulting from the division of the number of all sets won by the number of all sets lost.





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- Points quotient = if the tie persists as per the set quotient, teams equally ranked will be classified in descending order by the quotient resulting from the division of all points scored by the total of points lost during all sets.
- If the tie continues as per the point quotient between two teams, the priority will be given to the team which won the last match between them.

### OTHER RULES

- All teams must show up at the competition venue not later than 30 minutes before the scheduled beginning of the match.
- In case a team shows up later than 15 minutes after the scheduled beginning of the match, it will automatically lose the match by 2-0 (25/0; 25/0) or 3-0 (25/0; 25/0; 25/0).
- 30 minutes before the beginning of the match, referees shall check players of both teams according to the specified lists.
- Each team must have available two sets of playing uniforms, each one of a different color. The shirts must be numbered from 1 to 20 (in front of and back of the shirts).
- Each player must wear the same number given at accreditation during the entire competition. The number is written on the accreditation card (AC).
- Match balls are to be provided by the OC (3 official balls for each court) and should comply with the regulations of the same type, approved by FIVB. Balls for warming up (2x6) will also be provided by the OC, or, eventually, brought along by the teams
- The brand of the official competition ball shall be published in Bulletin 2.

## 5. DRAW

- The ISF is responsible for establishing, criteria's and fixing timing of the draw.
- The ISF Technical Commission is responsible of the draw.
- The draw will take into account results achieved in previous ISF Volleyball competitions and any other information relevant to ISF.

## 6. PROTESTS AND APPEALS

Appeals involving results or any matter not concerning discipline will be heard by the Appeal Jury. The appeal must be lodged within 30 minutes of the incident and be submitted in English. The payment of amount 50€ must accompany the appeal and is to be paid to LOC in cash. This payment will be refunded only if the appeal is upheld or at the discretion of the Appeal Jury. In the case of an unsuccessful appeal, the payment will be retained by the ISF.



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