

## The 13<sup>th</sup> Asian Women's Volleyball Championship

# REGULATIONS

### 1. ORGANIZER

China Volleyball Association, affiliated to AVC, has been entrusted with the organization of the 13<sup>th</sup> Asian Women's Volleyball Championship 2005.

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### 2. COMPETITION CALENDAR

Arrival of AVC officials and C/C members: August 29, 2005  
Arrival of teams and accompanying referees: August 30, 2005  
Competition days: September 1-8, 2005  
Departure day: September 9, 2005

### 3. HOST CITY AND HALLS

City: Taicang, China  
Training Halls: Taicang Gymnasium  
Competition Halls: Taicang Normal University Gym

### 4. PARTICIPATING TEAMS

- 4.1 The 13<sup>th</sup> Asian Women's Volleyball Championship is open to the AVC affiliated member federations that respect their obligations and financial responsibilities with regard to the FIVB and AVC and have sent to AVC and the Organizer the official entry for the Championship according to AVC Regulations.
- 4.2 The players must have the nationality of the country or region they represent, justifying it by means of a passport or other authentic document.
- 4.3 Naturalised players must have been proven resident in the country or region of their new nationality for not less than two years (up to the opening day of the competition) from the date of issue of the official document granting the new citizenship.

- 4.4 Once the passport or other legal documents have been checked and accepted by AVC Control Committee, the Organizer will issue the ID cards valid for the Championship.

## **5. ENTRIES, TEAM INFORMATION AND FEE**

- 5.1 Not later than 15<sup>th</sup> January 2005, each member federation must send its official entry to AVC and the Organizer to confirm its participation. Until 15<sup>th</sup> February 2005, late entry is possible with a US\$500 fine.
- 5.2 Not later than July 1, 2005, each entered team must send the O-2 form, two (2) personal photos of each member, a team photo, and sports biography of the team to AVC and to the Organizer.
- 5.3 During the Preliminary Inquiry each participating team must submit its final list of twelve (12) players (O-2bis form) to the AVC Control Committee. These 12 players must be chosen among the 18 players indicated in the O-2 form.
- 5.4 The entry fee US\$900 must be paid in cash during the Preliminary Inquiry.

## **6. COMPETITION SYSTEM**

The competition system is subject to the exact number of participating teams. AVC will forward to each participating member federation a finalized competition system and competition calendar two months before the Championship.

## **7. DRAWING OF LOTS**

The drawing of lots will be held in May, 2005 in China on the occasion of the 25<sup>th</sup> AVC Board of Administration meeting.

Within 10 days after the drawing of lots, the Organizer will have to prepare the timetable for daily matches and submit it to AVC for approval.

## **8. ORDER OF MATCHES AND ORGANIZER'S RIGHTS**

- 8.1 The order of matches in preliminary round is assigned by the drawing of lots in accordance with the Berger Table.
- 8.2 The seeding of the teams will be in accordance with the results of the last Asian championships.
- 8.3 The Organizer has the right to choose one match in preliminary round.
- 8.4 The Organizer has the right to change the timetable and order of matches for TV broadcasting reasons and with the approval of AVC Control Committee. Each team must be informed of the timetable changes at least 24 hours before the match.

## **9. CLASSIFICATION OF TEAMS**

- 9.1 The following points shall be taken into account to decide the ranking:

Match won: 2 points

Match lost: 1 point

Forfeit: 0 point

- 9.2 If two or more teams obtain the same points, the ranking shall be decided by the quotient of the whole sets won and lost.
- 9.3 If they still score equal, the ranking will be decided by the quotient of the points won and lost for the whole matches.
- 9.4 If two teams are still equal, priority shall be given to teams according to the result of the match played between the two teams concerned.
- 9.5 If a team declares its forfeit during a match, it will be excluded from the Championship and all the results of the matches it already played during the respective rounds will be nullified. The respective opponent teams will be declared winners of the respective matches.

## **10. CONDUCTING OF THE COMPETITIONS**

- 10.1 The 13<sup>th</sup> Asian Women's Volleyball Championship will be conducted by the AVC Control Committee under the leadership of the AVC President or his representative.
- 10.2 FIVB, International and International Candidate referees accompanying the teams and from the organizing country will officiate in the 2005 Asian Championship.

## **11. MEDICAL SERVICES AND CONTROL**

- 11.1 All players are obliged to present a health certificate (M-4 form) issued no more than two months before the competition by the competent authority in their country in which the health of the competitor and the absence of signs of use, or the lack of equipment to detect the use of forbidden substances is clearly stated. This health certificate must be countersigned by the National Federation and the competitor who thus both take the responsibility for the validity of such certificate.
- 11.2 First aid and medical treatment will be provided by the Organizer under the control of the AVC Control Committee.
- 11.3 Doping control may be conducted in accordance with the FIVB Medical Regulations.
- 11.4 Referees' alcohol test may be organized in accordance with the FIVB Medical Regulations.
- 11.5 All team delegations are recommended to take out their own liability and medical insurance.
- 11.6 All players and team officials will be required to sign the Players and Officials Agreement (M-8), in which they voluntarily submit themselves to the jurisdiction of the Control Committee and declare their acceptance of the Competition Regulations, renouncing any claim against the results of matches or doping control in any civil court and their acceptance to conform to the FIVB Code of Conduct.

## **12. PRELIMINARY INQUIRY**

- 12.1 Team delegations must arrive at least 48 hours before the start of the competition and be available for the preliminary inquiry.
- 12.2 The preliminary inquiry will be carried out in accordance with the FIVB General Regulations.

### **13. GENERAL TECHNICAL MEETING**

- 13.1 Team Managers, Head Coaches and Doctors must be present in the General Technical Meeting.
- 13.2 The General Technical Meeting will be carried out in accordance with the FIVB General Regulations.

### **14. TRAINING**

- 14.1 The organizer must prepare a training schedule, in which each team is guaranteed the exclusive use of a training gym for 1.5 hours per day.
- 14.2 Each team will have at least one hour training on each competition court before their first match.
- 14.3 Trainings must not be scheduled at the same time as the Preliminary Enquiry and the General Technical Meeting.

### **15. PRESS INTERVIEW**

The head coach and team captain or the player requested by the press must be available for the press interview immediately after each match.

### **16. OFFICIAL VOLLEYBALL RULES AND BALLS**

- 16.1 The competition shall be played in accordance with the FIVB Rules of the Game in force. All necessary interpretations will be made before the competition during the Refereeing Clinic and the General Technical Meeting.
- 16.2 The Championship will be played with the MIKASA Volleyball MVP200.

### **17. UNIFORMS**

- 17.1 The playing uniform must be in conformity with FIVB standards. Each team must have available three sets of playing uniforms of a different color. The players numbers on the uniforms must be the same as on the O-2, O-2bis forms. The playing uniforms of the team captain must be presented during the preliminary inquiry.
- 17.2 The team officials on the bench, as approved in the Preliminary Inquiry, must confirm to either of the following dress code options:
  - I. All to wear their official warming up suit and polo shirt of the same colour and style, or
  - II. All to wear dress jacket, collared dress shirt, tie and formal slacks of the same colour and style, or
  - III. All to wear dress jacket, collared dress shirt, tie and formal slacks of the same colour and style except the trainer who may wear the official warming up suit and polo shirt.

17.3 Team accompanying referees must bring their own refereeing uniform.

## **18. COMPLAINTS**

18.1 All complaints must be presented in writing by Team Manager or Head Coach to the AVC Control Committee members on duty within 30 minutes after the match.

18.2 Complaints about the result of a match must be accompanied by a deposit of US\$300 cash(or the equivalent in local currency) for each complaint.

## **19. SACTIONS**

19.1 Negligence in regard to the competition or late forwarding of the team entry and/or O-2 form: US\$500 fine.

19.2 Non (or incomplete) forwarding of team and players photos, sports biographies or payment of entry fee: US\$500 fine.

19.3 If the national federation that made a national entry for the Championship happens to cancel its participation, the penalty will imposed by AVC:

- a) After the deadline of entry until drawing of lots: US\$3,000.
- b) After the drawing of lots until one month prior to the Championship: US\$5,000.
- c) Less than one month to a week prior to the opening day of the Championship: US\$10,000.
- d) 7 days or less prior to the opening day of the Championship: US\$20,000.

19.4 If the penalty fee is not paid, the national federation will be suspended until payment has been made (transit period in one month after the invoice is issued).

19.5 The penalty fee should be paid by the national federation involved to the AVC account.

19.6 AVC officials should check carefully the dates of the birth for the players of participating teams. The passport must be considered as the only valid reference for their birth certificate. When it is evident that a player who participates in the tournament deceives his/her birth date, that person should be sanctioned.

19.7 If a participating team returns back to their home before finishing all the matches, this team should be sanctioned.

19.8 Players not complying with the Eligibility Rules defined by Article 5 of the FIVB General Regulations for International Competitions or who do not present the Health Certificate (M-4) as required in Article 6.1 of the same Regulations and do not present the M-8 form will not be allowed to compete.

19.9 Players who refuse to undergo doping control test will be automatically disqualified. The team concerned will lose the match to its opponent 0-3 (0-25, 0-25, 0-25).

19.10 Voluntary forfeit of a team before or during a match entails its exclusion from the Championship with the following consequences:

- a) From the moment the team must cover its own expenses.
- b) Damages and other sanctions may be decided by the AVC Board of Administration. All matches previously played will be declared

forfeited 0-3 (0-25, 0-25, 0-25).

## **20. COMPOSITION OF THE DELEGATION**

Each delegation will be composed of maximum 18 (eighteen) members as follows: 12 players, 1 Team Manager, 1 Head Coach, 1 Assistant Coach, 1 Trainer or Masseur, 1 Referee (International or International Candidate), 1 FIVB Accredited Doctor.

Up to 2 extra officials may be added to the delegation of a team. They will be accredited if their expenses have been paid before the Championship.

## **21. FINANCIAL CONDITIONS**

21.1 Each delegation will take care of the following expenses:

- a) US\$900 as national entry fee
- b) Airfares of the team to and from Shanghai International Airport
- c) US\$40 per person per day for the partial payment for accommodation with full board and snack. Payment should be made to the Organizer during the Preliminary Inquiry after arrival.
- d) Penalties incurred as per Article 19.
- e) Full payment of accommodation with full board for extra persons, if Any
- f) Per diem of its accompanying referee

21.2 The expenses to be covered by the Organizer:

- a) Difference of the partial payment for accommodation with full board (8 twin and 2 single rooms) per delegation maximum for each delegation.
- b) Accommodation with full board for the AVC Control Committee members and referees(all single rooms).
- c) Internal transport from/to Shanghai International Airport of arrival/ departure and local transport.
- d) Medical first aid
- e) Laundry of player's game uniform each competition day (one pair of socks, one pair of shirt and short worn during the match)
- f) Prepare the demonstrative teams and personnel for theoretical and practical clinics according to the competition calendar.
- g) Production of 20 ad-panels on the court (size: 1m high X 3.4 m long as one ad-panel). The Organizer must be in accordance with the contract of AVC and AVC official sponsors. If not, the Organizer shall be sanctioned or seriously reminded.

21.3 AVC will cover the following expenses:

- a) Airfare of the Control Committee members to and from Shanghai (economy class)
- b) US\$30 per diem, from the arrival day to the departure day of their duties for C/C members
- c) Any other expenses approved by the AVC Board of Administration

21.4 The revenues of the Organizer:

- a) 100% of entry fees
- b) 100% of ticket sales
- c) 50% of international & 100% of domestic TV rights

- d) 100% of merchandising rights
- e) 14 ad-panels on the court (size: 1 m X 3.4 m), with positions to be approved by AVC
- 21.5 The revenues of AVC
  - a) 50% of international TV rights
  - b) 6 ad-panels on the court (size: 1 m X 3.4 m), including the ad-panels for the official ball manufacturer.
- 21.6 Installation of Advertising Boards
  - a) The Organizer must strictly follow the guideline for the installation of advertising board as specified by FIVB and AVC.
  - b) The Organizer should send the layout of advertising panel and banners inside the competition hall to AVC for approval.
  - c) The layout of competition hall must be controlled by AVC Control Committee before and during the championship.
- 21.7 Publicity on Uniforms
  - (a) Advertising on team's uniforms is subject to prior AVC approval at least four weeks before the start of the competition. An advertising Approval Certificate issued by AVC must be presented at the Preliminary Inquiry.
  - (b) The fee for having the right for publicity on uniforms is US\$20,000 (Twenty Thousand US Dollars Only) per team, which must be remitted to AVC account number before the Preliminary Inquiry.

## **22. AWARDS**

- 22.1 Trophies shall be awarded by AVC and the Organizer to the teams ranked 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places in the Championship.
- 22.2 Trophies for the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> winners must be prepared by the Organizer.
- 22.3 Medals shall be prepared by the Organizer, and to be awarded to the players of the teams finishing in 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places.
- 22.4 Should the third party wish to award additional prizes, previous AVC approval and permission must be obtained.
- 22.5 The individual awards shall include: most valuable player, best scorer, best server, best attacker, best blocker, best setter, best digger, best receiver. All individual awards shall be awarded with as major criteria of evaluation the results of the VIS statistical data, with a final decision to be taken by the AVC Control Committee. The individual awards must be prepared by the Organizer.

## **23. DAILY BULLETIN**

Copies of a Daily Bulletin will be distributed by the Organizer to all participating teams, referees and AVC Control Committee members, from the day before the start of competition (i.e. at the General Technical Meeting) until the day after competition.

## **24. VIS-SYSTEM**

The Organizer takes care of the results and statistics according to FIVB VIS-System.

**25. UNFORESEEN ITEMS**

Any matters not mentioned in the present Regulations should be decided by the President of AVC in consultation with the organizing federation.