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2014 FIVB BEACH VOLLEBALL WORLD TOUR GRAND SLAM
IN CITY, COUNTRY

EVENT'S REGULATIONS

This form must be approved by the FIVB 30 days before the start of the event and sent out -20 days by the Organizers to all participating NFs, FIVB Sponsors and FIVB Delegates via e-mail and fax if possible.

Promoter Web site link to the event:
FIVB Web site link to the event:
http://www.fivb.org/EN/BeachVolleyball/Competitions/WorldTour/2014/Event/index.asp?TournCode=MSHA2014

PROMOTER	Address: Contact person: Mobile number: Telephone number: Emergency mobile number: Fax number: Email address: Event's web site: Social media accounts:
NATIONAL FEDERATION	Address: Contact person: Mobile number: Telephone number: Emergency mobile number: Fax number: Email address: Event's web site: Social media accounts:
EVENT OFFICE	Address: Contact person: Mobile number: Telephone number: Emergency mobile number: Fax number: Email address: Event's web site: Social media accounts:

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE	ORGANIZING COMMITTEE	Last / First Name	Mobile*	Email
	Tournament Director:			
	National Federation Delegate or Beach Volleyball Coordinator:			
	ADMINISTRATIVE AREA			
	Finance Director:			
	Administrative Director:			
	TECHNICAL AREA			
	Competition Director:			
	Operational Director:			
	Doctor:			
	Referee Manager:			
	Court Manager:			
	Technical Manager:			
	PROMOTIONAL AREA			
	Public Entertainer			
	Press Director:			
	Public Relation Director:			
	Photographer:			

NOTE: *Mobile number is mandatory for Tournament Director, National Federation Delegate, Competition Director and Tournament

FIVB DELEGATES	**Role** Technical Supervisor Tech. Sup. Assistant (if any) Referee Delegate Assistant Referee Delegate (if any) TV Coordinator FIVB Photographer English TV Commentator Media Operations Delegate	**Nationality**	**Name**	**Local mobile number**
VENUE				
COMPETITION SCHEDULE AND FORMAT				

PRIZE MONEY

FOR A USD $500,000 PRIZE MONEY EVENT (GRAND SLAM)

Place	Prize Money per Team USD	Total Prize Money per Place USD
1st	$70'000	$70'000
2nd	$52'000	$52'000
3rd	$40'000	$40'000
4th	$30'000	$30'000
5th x 4	$21'000	$84'000
9th x 8	$14'000	$112'000
17th x 8	$9'000	$72'000
25th x 8	$5'000	$40'000
TOTAL		**$500'000**

FOR A USD $400,000 PRIZE MONEY EVENT (GRAND SLAM)

Place	Prize Money per Team USD	Total Prize Money per Place USD
1st	$57'000	$57'000
2nd	$43'000	$43'000
3rd	$32'000	$32'000
4th	$24'000	$24'000
5th x 4	$17'000	$68'000
9th x 8	$11'000	$88'000
17th x 8	$7'000	$56'000
25th x 8	$4'000	$32'000
TOTAL		**$400'000**

The 2014 Prize Money of the events will be paid by the FIVB to the athletes as per the below chart:

	Events	Dates	Payment due date
1	Fuzhou Open	27 April	12 May
2	Shanghai Grand Slam	4 May	19 May
3	Puerto Vallarta Open	11 May	26 May
4	Prague Open	25 May	9 June
5	Anapa Open	1 June	16 June
6	Moscow Grand Slam	15 June	30 June
7	Berlin Grand Slam	22 June	7 July
8	Stavanger Grand Slam	29 June	14 July
9	Gstaad Grand Slam	13 July	28 July
10	The Hague Grand Slam	20 July	4 August
11	Long Beach Grand Slam	27 July	11 August
12	Klagenfurt Grand Slam	3 August	18 August
13	Stare Jablonki Grand Slam	24 August	8 September
14	Xiamen Open	12 October	27 October
15	Phuket Open	19 October	3 November
16	Parana Open	2 November	17 November
17	Doha Open	8 November	24 November
18	Chennai Open	30 November	15 December
19	La Reunion Open	7 December	19 December
20	Durban Open	14 December	19 December

NOTE:
FIVB World Tour Grand Slam in Brazil tentatively re-scheduled for the second half of the season - date and location TBC
FIVB World Tour Grand Slam Final - date (after the last Grand Slam of the season), location and organizer TBC

PRIZE MONEY

In case of unsuccessful payment, after three (3) attempts to contact the player, the FIVB Finance Department sends an official letter (to the National Federation and the player) to inform them of the money transfer to the respective National Federation that will be debited within 5-10 days. In case of no response, the player's VISASP account is then debited and the FIVB Finance Department informs the FIVB IT Department to book the payment in VISASP.

Cancellation of Events
In case an event is cancelled the FIVB has the right to retain the amount of unpaid Bonus Pool.
The FIVB (or its Organizers) is not accountable for any reimbursements of airplane tickets booked for a cancelled event if the FIVB has informed all parties involved about the cancellation at least 30 days prior to the start of the event.

FIVB WORLD RANKING POINTS (PER ATHLETE)

Rank	Points earned
1st	400
2nd	360
3rd	320
4th	280
5th	240
9th	180
17th	120
25th	80
33rd	40
41st	20

Note: Minor adjustments to the above chart may apply at a later stage

WOMEN'S EVENT SCHEDULE

DATE: Arrival of the Qualification Tournament teams
DATE & TIME: QT Preliminary Inquiry (mandatory attendance) **– LOCATION**
DATE & TIME: QT Technical Meeting (mandatory attendance) **- LOCATION**

DATE: Qualification Tournament and arrival of Main Draw teams
DATE & TIME: Preliminary Inquiry Main Draw Teams (mandatory attendance) **– LOCATION**
DATE & TIME: Technical Meeting Main Draw Teams (mandatory attendance) **- LOCATION**

DATE: Departure of teams not qualified for Main Draw
DATE: Main Draw Pool Play (48 matches)
DATE:
Departure of teams knocked out in pool play round
Main Draw Single Elimination (Round of 16, Round of 24, Quarter Final matches – 20 matches)
DATE:
Departure of teams knocked out in single elimination round
1st Semi-final and 2nd Semi-final (2 matches)
Final 3rd - 4th place and Final 1st - 2nd place (2 matches)
29 April: Departure of remaining teams

Training courts available from : **DATE**
Total # of competition courts: **INSERT NUMBER**
Total # of warm-up courts: **INSERT NUMBER**

MEN'S EVENT SCHEDULE	**DATE:** Arrival of the Qualification Tournament teams **DATE & TIME:** QT Preliminary Inquiry (mandatory attendance) **– LOCATION** **DATE & TIME:** QT Technical Meeting (mandatory attendance) **- LOCATION** **DATE:** Qualification Tournament and arrival of Main Draw teams **DATE & TIME:** Preliminary Inquiry Main Draw Teams (mandatory attendance) **– LOCATION** **DATE & TIME:** Technical Meeting Main Draw Teams (mandatory attendance) **- LOCATION** **DATE:** Departure of teams not qualified for Main Draw **DATE:** Main Draw Pool Play (48 matches) **DATE:** Departure of teams knocked out in pool play round Main Draw Single Elimination (Round of 16, Round of 24, Quarter Final matches – 20 matches) **DATE:** Departure of teams knocked out in single elimination round 1st Semi-final and 2nd Semi-final (2 matches) Final 3rd - 4th place and Final 1st - 2nd place (2 matches) 29 April: Departure of remaining teams Training courts available from : **DATE** Total # of competition courts: **INSERT NUMBER** Total # of warm-up courts: **INSERT NUMBER**
PLAYERS' ELIGIBILITY	Only players who sent in to the FIVB in due time the required forms (see below): 2013-2014 NF-Athlete's Commitment (http://www.fivb.org/EN/BeachVolleyball/Forms.asp) duly signed by all parties and in good standing with the FIVB will be considered eligible to take part in the 2014 FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour Grand Slam / Open events. Newly registered athletes will be required to provide the 2013-2014 NF-Athlete's Commitment to the FIVB in due time. All athletes are required to send to the FIVB the Annual Health Certificate (BVB/10) to be eligible to participate in 2014 events (http://www.fivb.org/EN/BeachVolleyball/Forms.asp). Moreover, players are required to clear any outstanding fines to be eligible to participate in the 2013 events. All athletes must present an FIVB Anti-Doping Certificate 30 days prior to the participation in FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour Grand Slam, FIVB Beach Volleyball Open and/ or FIVB Beach Volleyball World Championships events, after having successfully completed the FIVB's Anti-Doping education program "We play it clean!" online: http://www.fivb.org/RealWinner/
ENTRY (FIVB WEBSITE)	1. **Tentative NF Entry List -30 days**: NF enters eligible athletes/teams in the Tentative NF Entry List through the Beach Volleyball Information System (BVIS): a. The qualified place(s) therefore belong to the National Federation(s) concerned; however the points always remain with the athlete(s). b. National Federation (Host and foreign) can define the Reserve status for its 5th and 6th entered teams by the Tentative NF Entry List is issued (-30 Days before the tournament). The 5th and 6th entered teams must not be one of the top 3 teams entered by the National Federation. In other words, the 1st, 2nd and 3rd teams entered by a National Federation must be their 1st, 2nd and 3rd ranked teams respectively while the 4th entered team may be lower ranked than the 5th and 6th entered teams. 2. **Confirmed NF Entry List -21 days**: The FIVB NF Entry Ranking is used to determine which National Federations have earned berth(s) into a tournament and into the Reserve list: a. The FIVB issues the Confirmed NF Entry List based on the FIVB NF Entry Ranking and the NF entered teams in an FIVB Beach Volleyball event b. The Confirmed NF Entry List determines the NF place(s) earned in the tournament (Main Draw Tournament, Qualification Tournament and Reserve List). c. Entered athletes/teams are placed in the Main Draw, the Qualification Tournament and the Reserve List as per the sum of individual Entry points, and as per NF's determination of the 4th, 5th and 6th entered teams. 3. **Confirmed NF Entry List -20 days**: Host NF forwards the Confirmed NF Entry List, the approved Official Invitation letter and the Specific Event's Regulations of the FIVB Beach Volleyball event to the participating NFs, FIVB Officials and Sponsors.

FORFEIT &SANCTIONS	- If a team withdraws due to an injury before or during a match or gets disqualified during a match it will earn 1 match point and will keep the sets and points earned up to that moment, but the sets and points against will be the maximum. For example, if a team wins the first set 21:19 and is injured and forfeits the match when they are losing the second set 4:6, this injured team would earn 1 match point with sets of 1:2 and rally points of 21:19, 4:21 and 0:15. In this example, the winning team would get 2 match points with sets of 2:1 and rally points of 19:21, 6:4, 0:0. In addition, its match result will be marked with "INJ/DSQ". - If the injury occurs before the match begins, the match will be marked "INJ/DSQ" and the losing team will be awarded 1 match point with sets of 0:2 and rally points of 0:21, 0:21. In this case, the winning team will be awarded 2 match points with sets of 2:0 and rally points of 0:0, 0:0. - If a team withdraws without a valid reason before a match (e.g. no show) they will lose by forfeit 0-2 (0:21, 0:21) and will earn 0 match points. In addition, this match result will be marked with "DSQ". The winning team will receive 2 match points with sets of 2:0 and rally points of 0:0, 0:0. - In the case of an athlete requesting a medical injury time-out or forfeiting a match due to injury, immediately following the relevant score sheet administration, he/she will be given a copy of the BVB-49 form by the match Referee (the exception to this rule being the use of medical injury time-out due to blood injury). Upon receipt, the athlete will then be responsible for filling in the reasons for the medical injury time-out request or the forfeit of the match and must then sign it and present him/herself along with the form at the tournament's medical office. After going through a check by the official medical doctor, the athlete will then be responsible for giving the form, duly signed by the official medical doctor, to the FIVB Technical Supervisor who shall assess the situation (if needed together with the event's Organizing Committee, the official medical doctor and the FIVB Medical Delegate, if present), and make a copy of the form to be attached to the Technical Supervisor report together with the relevant match score sheet. The athlete will receive the original BVB-49 form for submission to their medical doctor(s) who will then be responsible for clearing the athlete by confirming that he/she is in good health and can participate without putting his/ her own health at risk. The athlete must then present the form duly completed to the FIVB Technical Supervisor before he/she plays their next match either in the same tournament or at the Technical Meeting for the next event he/she wishes to participate in. In the case that the medical doctor(s) for the team concerned is not available, the athlete must get the written approval of the tournament's official medical doctor or the FIVB Medical Delegate, if present. - A maximum of two medical injury time-outs per athlete within a 12-month period are allowed. Extra medical injury time-outs will be sanctioned according to the following monetary fee scale: o USD 1,000 for 3rd injury time-out within a rolling 12-month period; o USD 2,000 for 4th injury time-out within a rolling 12-month period; o USD 3,000 for 5 or more injury time-outs within a rolling 12-month period. - The FIVB is entitled to deduct the sanction from the payment of the Prize Money.
PRELIMINARY INQUIRY AND TECHNICAL MEETING	All Athletes must attend the **mandatory** Preliminary Inquiry and Technical Meeting. If required, a drawing of lots will be carried out during the meeting to break any eventual ties in the seeding. Match up and finalized seeding and additional detailed information on the competition will be distributed at the Technical Meeting. Athletes may be requested to provide their ID card or passport during the Technical Meeting.
UNIFORMS AND ACCESSORIES	If required by the FIVB Technical Supervisor, uniforms and accessories will be checked during the Preliminary Inquiry. Athletes of the same team must wear the same color and style of shorts. The display of the individual players' sponsors' logos on shorts and accessories must comply with the FIVB advertising regulations. While players tops will be provided by the Organizers to the athletes, shorts/bottoms and accessories must be provided by the players and/or by their sponsors. Uniforms will also be provided by the Organizers to Officials Organizing staff members and volunteers. For information on uniform regulations please refer to Chapter 4 of the 2014 FIVB Beach Volleyball Sport Regulations.

SEEDING	- Once all the participating teams are known and their presence is confirmed during the mandatory Technical Meetings held the evening before the Qualification Tournament or Main Draw Tournament, the seeding of the Main Draw and Qualification of the FIVB World Tour Grand Slam and Open events is based on the FIVB Seeding Points. - FIVB Seeding Points are the sum of the two individual athletes FIVB Points earned from the best 6 of last 8 among all FIVB recognized/sanctioned events over a 365-day period) on the date of the Technical Meeting. - The eight Qualification Tournament teams qualifying to the Main Draw will be seeded as per their FIVB Seeding Points with all the remaining teams in the Main Draw; - In the Main Draw Tournament (Pool Play Phase), if a Host Country team is ranked within the first eight (8) teams, then it would receive seed #1; otherwise the Host Country teams are seeded in seed # 9 and seed # 10. The eight (8) teams that qualify for the Main Draw tournament in FIVB World Tour Grand Slam and Open events will be seeded as per the sum of the individual Athlete Entry Points on that team on the date of the Technical Meeting. - Wild Cards will their natural seeding. - The FIVB Technical Ranking shall be used to break ties in FIVB Entry Ranking. - If required, a drawing of lots can be carried out during the Technical Meeting to break any eventual ties in the seeding. For more details, please refer to the Chapter 2 of the 2014 FIVB Beach Volleyball Sport Regulations.
RULES OF THE GAME AND OFFICIAL BALL	Playing system Rally Point System 2 out of 3 sets as follows: a) First and second sets - 21 Points - switch every 7 points - one technical time-out of 30" at third court switch (sum of 21 points) - one time-out of 30" per team/set b) Third eventual set • 15 points • switch every 5 points • one time-out per team All sets win by 2 points Intervals between sets to be of 1 minute Official Ball: NEW MIKASA VLS-300 (67 cm +1/-1) The 2013-2016 FIVB Official Beach Volleyball Rules approved by the FIVB Board of Administration are included in the Beach Volleyball Referee Guidelines and posted on the FIVB website: http://www.fivb.org/EN/Refereeing-Rules/RulesOfTheGame_BVB.asp
WELCOME AND LOCAL TRANSPORTATION	Closest Airport: **INSERT NAME OF AIRPORT** Distance from airport to venue: **INSERT DISTANCE** **INSERT INFORMATION ON TRANSPORTATION FROM/TO THE AIRPORT** The travel form (BVB/31 – Athletes & BVB/31b - Delegation) has to be sent to the Organizer at the latest three days before the start of the event. Please find the form via the following link: http://www.fivb.org/EN/BeachVolleyball/Forms.asp
TRANSPORTATION	Main Draw athletes will be eligible free of charge for all local transportation to/from the airport and to/from the hotel through the Event Organisers. Athletes (or their National Federations) will be requested to apply early enough for their entry visas, whenever needed and will be accountable for all visa expenses.

BOARD AND LODGING	Qualification Tournament teams will be responsible for their own expenses including, but not limited to, airfare, visa, hotel, food and miscellaneous expenses The organizers will provide the Main Draw teams (including the athletes proceeding from the Qualification Tournament into the Main Draw) with hotel accommodation (double room) in the Organizer's designated Hotel and with meals from the evening before the start of the Main Draw until the day after the elimination of the teams from the event, breakfast included. Athletes will be personally responsible for all extras at the hotel such as mini-bar, phone calls, laundry, etc. to be paid upon checkout. The organizers will not be required to make reservations for coaches, guests, teams' physiotherapists, friends, or family members accompanying the participating athletes. The FIVB strongly recommends that the organizers accommodate athletes in different hotels than the hotel for the FIVB officials and referees.
MAIN DRAW HOTEL	**INSERT HOTEL NAME, ADDRESS AND CONTACT DETAILS**
HOTEL FOR THE FIVB OFFICIALS, NEUTRAL INTERNATIONAL REFEREES, ETC.	**INSERT HOTELS NAME, ADDRESS AND CONTACT DETAILS**
ACCREDITATION	Organizers will provide all Organizing Committee members, FIVB Officials, referees, athletes, VIPs, journalists, technical staff, court personnel, volunteers, etc. with an official accreditation card and will ensure that only people with appropriate accreditation will access the designated venue areas. Organizers are also requested to provide accreditation cards for one coach and one physiotherapist per team. The appropriate forms (for coaches and physiotherapists) are available at the following link: http://www.fivb.org/EN/BeachVolleyball/Forms.asp

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<tr><td>WITHDRAWALS AND SANCTIONS</td><td>
Confirmed NF Entry List (-21 days up to Friday preceding the event)
Once the Confirmed NF Entry List is issued by the FIVB, the participating National Federations may:
- Submit a withdrawal, disband or ‘change of athlete’ request to the FIVB through the BVB/03 form without a supporting Medical Certificate.
- In case of an injury, submit a ‘change of athlete’ request to the FIVB through the BVB/03 form supported by a valid Medical Certificate. The change of a player due to an injury can only occur once in the Main Draw in a calendar year (Season) in order for the new team to keep their position in the Main Draw despite the fact that the sum of the new team’s individual Athlete Entry points are not sufficient to maintain their Main Draw position. In case of a ‘change of athlete’ in a Qualification Tournament, team is allowed to retain its spot only in case of sufficient Entry points.
- An NF may not withdraw an athlete or a team entered in a Qualification Tournament or Main Draw Tournament (supported or not by a valid Medical Certificate) from an FIVB Beach Volleyball event to participate in another Beach Volleyball tournament/activity scheduled at the same time.
- Reserve teams are added to the Confirmed NF Entry List and are constantly updated until the Preliminary Inquiry of the Qualification Tournament (where applicable) or Main Draw Tournament of an FIVB Beach Volleyball event. Reserve Teams must register and be present at the Preliminary Inquiry and the Technical Meeting of the Qualification Tournament (if applicable) or Main Draw Tournament of the FIVB Beach Volleyball event to be considered for the inclusion in the tournament, due to late withdrawals or no shows.
- The FIVB website will be updated after every withdrawal and substitution of players approved by the FIVB after the confirmed list has been issued. In case of a withdrawal of a team, its position in the tournament will be maintained and another team of the same country (if any are in the Reserve List) will then replace the withdrawn team (the new team is placed in either the Main Draw or the Qualification Tournament based on the sum of their individual Entry points). In case there is no replacement team from the same country in the Reserve List, the next team in the NF ranking will be eligible to enter in the Qualification Tournament unless a Main Draw team is replaced and the sum of the individual Entry points of the replacement team from the Reserve List is greater than the top team in the Qualification Tournament eligible to move up to the Main Draw (not prevented by Country Quota) in which case the replacement team will enter the Main Draw.

Last Minute Withdrawals:

After the Friday (5pm Swiss time) before an FIVB Beach Volleyball event and until 1 minute before the start of the Preliminary Inquiry of a Qualification Tournament (where applicable) or a Main Draw Tournament of the FIVB Beach Volleyball event, the participating National Federations may submit a withdrawal, disband or ‘change of athlete’ request to the FIVB Technical Supervisor assigned to the FIVB Beach Volleyball event through the BVB/03 form for a team/athlete only if supported by a valid Medical Certificate.

Failure to comply with the above requirements and deadlines for the last minute withdrawals/ disbands or ‘change of athlete’ shall result in applied fines to the athlete(s) concerned:
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<tr><td>Team/athlete in Qualification Tournament</td><td>USD 500</td></tr>
<tr><td>Team/athlete in Main Draw Tournament</td><td>USD 3,000</td></tr>
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The FIVB is entitled to deduct the sanction from the payment of the Prize Money.
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<tr><td>NO SHOW</td><td>If an athlete fails to attend the Preliminary Inquiry and to notify the FIVB or the Organizers in advance, that athlete’s team is eliminated from the tournament and a fine of USD 500 (Qualification Tournament) or USD 3,000 (Main Draw Tournament) is imposed on him/ her, unless the FIVB accepts to the reason as “force majeure”. The athlete has to prove the circumstances constituting the “force majeure”.</td></tr>
<tr><td>LATE ARRIVAL</td><td>In the event that an athlete arrives late to the Technical Meeting (having gone through the procedures of the Preliminary Inquiry), as confirmed by the FIVB Technical Supervisor, a fine of USD 150 (Qualification Tournament) or USD 250 (Main Draw Tournament) may be imposed on him/her, depending on the reasons for the delay. Such fine shall be paid prior to participation in the first match of the tournament concerned.

Special cases of late arrival may be considered upon proof of force majeure reason communicated to the FIVB Technical Supervisor and FIVB Beach Volleyball Department (before the start of the Preliminary Inquiry).</td></tr>
<tr><td>INSURANCE</td><td>Athletes must have their own liability and medical insurance.</td></tr>
<tr><td>MEDICAL CONTROLS</td><td>The FIVB reserves the right to perform random medical controls on the participating athletes and alcohol tests on the officials, as per FIVB rules and regulations.</td></tr>
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APPENDIX	• Official invitation letter to be addressed to the participating FIVB officials and National Federations • Confirmed NF Entry List (Main Draw, Qualification tournaments and teams in the Reserve) • List of hotels for the Qualification Tournament players, media and guests (see website) • Travel Itinerary Form (BVB/31 and BVB/31b). **It is the responsibility of the athletes to inform the Promoters concerned about his/her travel itinerary accordingly.**
OTHER	For any eventual discrepancies, the 2014 version of the FIVB Beach Volleyball Sport Regulations and the 2014 FIVB Beach Volleyball Handbook will prevail.