

CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup 2022

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1. Introduction

1.1. Competition Concept

The **CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup** is a newly introduced CEV competition with the aim of complementing the existing Beach Volleyball structures, giving additional playing opportunities to the European athletes and providing a platform that National Federations can exploit to facilitate their athletes' development programs and promote their teams.

The competition is played in a country-vs-country format where each National Federation participates with 2 teams. Men's and Women's competitions are separated.

2. 2022 Competition Parameters

2.1. Date and Venue

The 2022 edition of the CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup-A1 CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup 2022 will be a stand-alone-event and will be hosted in Vienna, Austria from the 2nd to the 7th of August.

2.2. Number of participating National Federations & teams

The A1 CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup 2022 will be played with the participation of 8 National Federations per gender.

These will consist of the top 7 NFs in the CEV Country ranking as of Monday 4th of July plus the Host National Federation. Should the Host National Federation appear in the top 7 NFs in the CEV country ranking, or any National Federations withdraws, the additional spot(s) will be allocated to the next ranked NF according to the CEV Country ranking as of the same day.

When two or more NFs have the same amount of points in the CEV Country Ranking, their order is established as per the conditions set in the CEV Beach Volleyball Competitions Regulations.

Each NF participates with an official delegation of 6 members per gender, including minimum 4 athletes forming 2 teams. An addition athlete can be within the official delegation (see point 2.7).

One delegation member (NFs Delegate, coach, etc.) is identified as Head of Delegation during the Preliminary Inquiry and will be the contact person for all competition related parameters.

Additional Delegation members can be accredited (see point 2.11 for conditions and quotas).

2.3. Right of Participation

An athlete wishing to take part in a CEV competition must possess the nationality of the country he/she intends to represent and must fully comply with the requirements laid down by the FIVB Sports Regulations. In addition each athlete needs to have the following documentation completed/updated on his/her VIS profile.

- Submit the Players Commitment & Health Certificate form as per the CEV instructions
- Have completed both the FIVB "Play Clean" anti-doping course as well as the FIVB e-learning course on the Prevention of Competition Manipulation that can be found [here](#)

Only athletes not suspended by CEV and/or FIVB are allowed to participate in the competition.

2.4. Registration

Registration for the event is through the standard registration procedure for all CEV sanctioned Beach Volleyball events using the respective CEV documents and forms, as detailed in the CEV Competition Regulations.

The qualified National Federations have to register their teams through the Volleyball Information System (VIS) prior to the registration deadline, which is set for Monday, 11th of July by 13:00 CET.

For the **A1 CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup 2022** each NF has to register 2 teams composed of 4 out of the top 6 athletes in the CEV Entry Ranking as of the same day.

When two or more teams have the same amount of points in the CEV Entry Ranking, their order is established as per the conditions set in the CEV Beach Volleyball Competitions Regulations.

2.5. Competition format

The event will be played using a modified pool play followed by a 6 teams single elimination phase in a "best-of-three" format, with each NF participating with 2 teams, as per the following sequence

- Match No. 1: The teams with the smallest sum of entry ranking points from each NF
- Match No. 2: The teams with the highest sum of entry ranking points from each NF
- Match No. 3: "Golden SET" – in case of a tie in won and lost matches a Golden SET of 15 points without a cap will be played right after the end of the 2nd match.

In such case, the person nominated as Head of Delegation confirms in writing to the CEV Supervisor after end of the 2nd match which athletes will play the Golden SET. This SET can be played in any combination of the 4 athletes having played Matches 1 & 2.

2.6. Seeding

A drawing of lots will determine the seeding within the pools for the Pool phase of the competition according to the CEV Country Ranking of Monday 11th of July following the below table:

| Pool A | Pool B |
|----------------------------------|---------|
| Seed #1 | Seed #2 |
| Draw 1 between Seed #3 & Seed #4 | |
| Draw 2 between Seed #5 & Seed #6 | |
| Draw 3 between Seed #7 & Seed #8 | |

If the hosting National Federation of Austria is not among the top 2 seeded NFs, the Austrian Federation will be drawn between Seed 3 and Seed 4 in both gender in order to help the promotion of the competition.

The date and venue of the drawing of lots process will be communicated through the Practical Info.

2.7. Substitution of an Athlete

Before the registration deadline, a National Federation may substitute an athlete from a team through the VIS, without any consequences.

After the Registration deadline, a National Federation may substitute only one athlete per team from the competition in case of injury/medical reason or “force majeure” through the CEV BV-03 form; respective proof or documentation must be presented to the CEV.

National Federations that decide to include a 5th athlete in their official delegation need to inform the CEV in writing on the registration deadline date. This athlete needs to attend the Preliminary Inquiry and may substitute any of the 4 athletes prior to any country-vs-country double header (process and timeline to be defined in the event’s Practical Info document).

2.8. Prize money

Prize Money shall be allocated to all Federations according to their classification in the competition as per the following breakdown.

| Rank | Prize money (per NF) |
|------|----------------------|
| 1 | 30,000 € |
| 2 | 20,000 € |
| 3 | 15,000 € |
| 4 | 10,000 € |
| 5 | 7,500 € |
| 7 | 5,000 € |

2.9. Rules of the Game

All matches shall be played according to the FIVB Official Beach Volleyball rules in their latest edition.

Exception: The presence of a coach inside the field of play is allowed provided that this coach is duly and in time accredited.

The obligation and rights of coaches entering the field of play, as well as their uniform layout are detailed in the CEV Coaching Regulations document.

2.10. Athletes’ Uniforms & Accessories

The organiser will be providing uniforms (top only) to all participating teams.

National Federations/athletes are responsible to bring their own shorts/bikini bottoms as per the provisions of the CEV Beach Volleyball Regulations and the FIVB Official Beach Volleyball Rules. Athletes may use gear and accessories as defined in the CEV Beach Volleyball Guidelines.

2.11. Accommodation & Travel Schedule

The LOC will provide a full board accommodation to 6 delegation members from the evening prior to the 1st competition day until one day after their elimination from the tournament (noon) in twin rooms.

Up to 3 Additional Coaches/Team Managers and other Team members' can be accredited and will have the possibility to book a room in the athletes' hotel at their own expense and at a special rate. The Main Draw Hotel and details for the process/timeline for additional rooms booking will be communicated by the CEV through the event's Practical Info document.

All accredited teams and delegation members will be provided with transportation from Vienna Airport/Main train station to the hotel and vice versa upon request. The request process will be communicated by the CEV through the Practical Info.

3. Financial Regulations

3.1. Entry Fee

For the participation of each team in CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup 2022 the respective National Federation shall pay an entry fee of 100,- EUR per team to the CEV upon the receipt of the relevant invoice at the end of the 2022 season.

3.2. License Fee

For each athlete participating in any CEV competition in 2022, the respective National Federation shall pay upon receipt of the respective CEV invoice, a one-off license fee amounting to 20,- EUR per player.

4. Further Information



All necessary information about the competition will be circulated to the National Federations using the Official Communications and the event's Practical Info document.

Additional information concerning the competition and the registered teams will be posted in the CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup section of the dedicated page of the CEV website.

5. Contact Addresses

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