

# CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup 2026

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# 1. Introduction

The CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup was introduced in 2022 to provide additional competition opportunities for European athletes and a platform that National Federations can use to facilitate their athletes' further development.

As per the standards applied in 2025, the 2026 edition is scheduled as a competition with two stages, a preliminary round and a final contested in the same year. More specifically the competition consists of:

- the CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup 2026 Preliminary Phase, with the participation of all registered National Federations, beside the National Federation hosting the Final.
- The CEV Nations Cup Final 2026, with seven (7) National Federations progressing from the Preliminary Phase and the hosting National Federation, competing for the CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup 2026 title.

For the 2026 edition, the winning National Federation in each gender will secure one (1) extra spot for the CEV EuroBeachVolley 2026, as per the conditions detailed under Art. 2.9 of this same document.

## 2. Competition Parametres

### 2.1. Competition format

The competition is played in a 'country vs country format' double header where each National Federation participates with two teams. Men's and Women's competitions run separately from one another.

For the Preliminary Phase of the competition the participating National Federations will be divided into pools. The exact number of National Federations allocated per pool and the detailed competition format will be based on the number of registered National Federations and will be communicated in a subsequent Official Communication.

### 2.2. Right of Participation

Athletes wishing to take part in the competition must possess the nationality of the country they intend to represent and must fully comply with the requirements laid down by the FIVB Sports Regulations and in the CEV Regulatory Framework. In addition to that, each athlete needs to have the following documentation completed/updated on their VIS profile:

- Upload both the CEV Athlete's Commitment and the FIVB Health Certificate forms to their respective profile in the VIS
- Have completed both the FIVB Play Clean as well as the Prevention of Competition Manipulation courses, which can be found [here](#)

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

### 2.3. Registration procedure and deadline

Based on the LA Olympic Qualification system announced and with the principle that all athletes/NFs should have the opportunity to participate in an Olympic Qualification process, the CEV has decided to re-open the registration to the CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup that is allocating a spot to the Olympic Qualifying Eurobeachvolley to any National Federations wishes to take this additional opportunity and pathway.

The new deadline is set for Monday, January 26th at noon, after that the CEV will be officially circulating the entry list of the NFs participating in the 2026 CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup.

Due to the fact that the Volleyball Information System (VIS) link provided earlier for the registration is not working, the registration deadline is postponed until this Friday, **19 of December 2025**. The correct link for the VIS is the following:

<https://www.fivb.org/vis.asp/>

National Federations wishing to participate in the CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup 2026 need to register no later than **10 of December 2025** by registering a spot through the Volleyball Information System (VIS) <http://www.fivb.org/vis/>.

After logging in, the National Federation may select the respective event and click the button "reserve teams", and set the number to one (1).

The screenshot shows a web interface for reserving teams. A modal window titled "www.fivb.org says" is open, asking for the "Number of teams to reserve." The input field contains the number "0". There are "OK" and "Cancel" buttons at the bottom of the modal. In the background, a "Reserve teams" button is visible on a form.

As per Art. 2.1 of this document, the Men's and Women's competition runs separately, that means National Federations can decide if they wish to participate with one or with both genders.

Following the registration deadline, CEV will conduct a Drawing of Lots for the Preliminary Phase. The exact date and time of the Drawing of Lots will be communicated at a later stage.

## **2.4. Preliminary Phase 2026**

The Preliminary Phase of the 2026 edition will be played in a tournament format where each National Federation plays once against all opponents in the pool.

All competition related details will be communicated in detail following the registration deadline and the Preliminary Phase Drawing of Lots.

Each of the National Federations participating in the Preliminary Phase have the right to apply for the organisation of a Preliminary Phase event as per the conditions defined in the respective Candidature Application Guidelines.

Should less National Federations apply for the organisation than the eventual number of preliminary pools, the necessary additional organiser(s) will be drawn by CEV.

## **2.5. Final 2026**

The CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup Final 2026 will be played with eight (8) National Federations per gender in Budapest, Hungary, between 16 to 19 of July 2026.

The breakdown of the eight (8) National Federations is as follows:

- Hosting National Federation
- Seven (7) National Federations qualifying from the Preliminary Phase.

## **2.6. Allocation of FIVB World Ranking Points**

The allocation of World Ranking points to the competition will be in line with the provisions of the FIVB Beach Volleyball Sport Operations Manual as follows:

### Preliminary Phase

Rank	Ranking points (per athlete)
1	120
2	108
3	96
4	84
5.	72

### Final

Rank	Ranking points (per athlete)
1	160
2	144
3	128
5	96
7	84

## 2.7. Allocation of Prize Money for the Final 2026

A total amount of 100.000, – EUR (one hundred thousand Euros) Prize Money will be allocated to the National Federations attending the CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup Final 2026, as follows:

Rank	Prize Money (per NF and per gender)
1	15,000
2	10,000
3	6,500
5	4,000
7	2,000

No Prize Money will be allocated for the Preliminary Phase events.

## 2.8. Delegation's Uniforms & Accessories

For the Preliminary Phase events, the respective National Federations are responsible for providing their athletes with minimum two (2) sets of uniforms in different colours in line with the layout provided in the annex of this document.

National Federations may exploit the sponsor positions as per the provisions of the CEV Beach Volleyball Regulations in force at the time of the competition and the Appendix below.

Athletes may use gear and accessories as defined in the CEV Beach Volleyball Guidelines.

For the coaches entering the Field of Play, the uniform requirements will be defined in the CEV Coaching Regulations document.

## 2.9. Allocation of spots for the CEV EuroBeachVolley 2026

The winning National Federation in each gender of the CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup Final 2026 will be allocated one (1) spot to the CEV EuroBeachVolley 2026, as long as the respective National Federation / team fulfils the following requirements:

- The team is the next best of the respective National Federation not qualified team to the CEV Eurobeachvolley 2026 through the CEV Eurobeachvolley Entry Ranking.
- The team must have participated in at least six (6) FIVB homologated international or national Beach Volleyball events over the period from 17 November 2025 to 19 of July 2026.
- The team meets the eligibility criteria as set under Art. 2.2 of this document and the FIVB/CEV regulatory framework.

## 3. Financial Regulations

### 3.1. Participation Fee

To participate in the CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup 2026, the respective National Federation shall pay a participation fee of 200, - EUR per gender to the CEV upon receipt of the relevant invoice.

### 3.2. License Fee

For each athlete participating in the CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup 2026, the respective National Federation shall pay upon receipt of the respective CEV invoice a license fee per player per year, as defined in the CEV Beach Volleyball Competitions Regulations.

### 3.3. Contribution fee for the Preliminary Phase 2026

Each Participating National Federations shall pay a contribution fee to the organiser to support expenses associated with their accommodation and local transportation. Such fee is set to 130, - EUR (one hundred and thirty Euros) per delegation member – as per the CEV Board of Administration decision taken during the meeting held this past November 7 in Paris. This applies to four (4) athletes and up to two (2) duly accredited team delegation members (coach, head of delegation, physiotherapist) thereby accounting for a maximum six (6) persons per delegation.

Transportation from the official venue of arrival to the official hotel for the four (4) athletes and up to two (2) duly accredited team delegation members will be provided by the local organiser on the official days of arrival and departure.

The local organiser will provide the four (4) athletes and up to two (2) duly accredited team delegation members with hotel accommodation in twin rooms and full board from the official day of arrival (starting with dinner) until the official day of departure (breakfast included).

All participating National Federations are responsible for their own international and domestic airfare and for any further expenses such as visa or airport taxes.

## 4. Further Information

All necessary information about the competition will be circulated to National Federations by using the Official Communications and the Practical Info documents.

Further details can be found in the CEV Beach Volleyball Competitions Regulations and CEV Beach Volleyball Guidelines, whose latest editions are available on the CEV website.

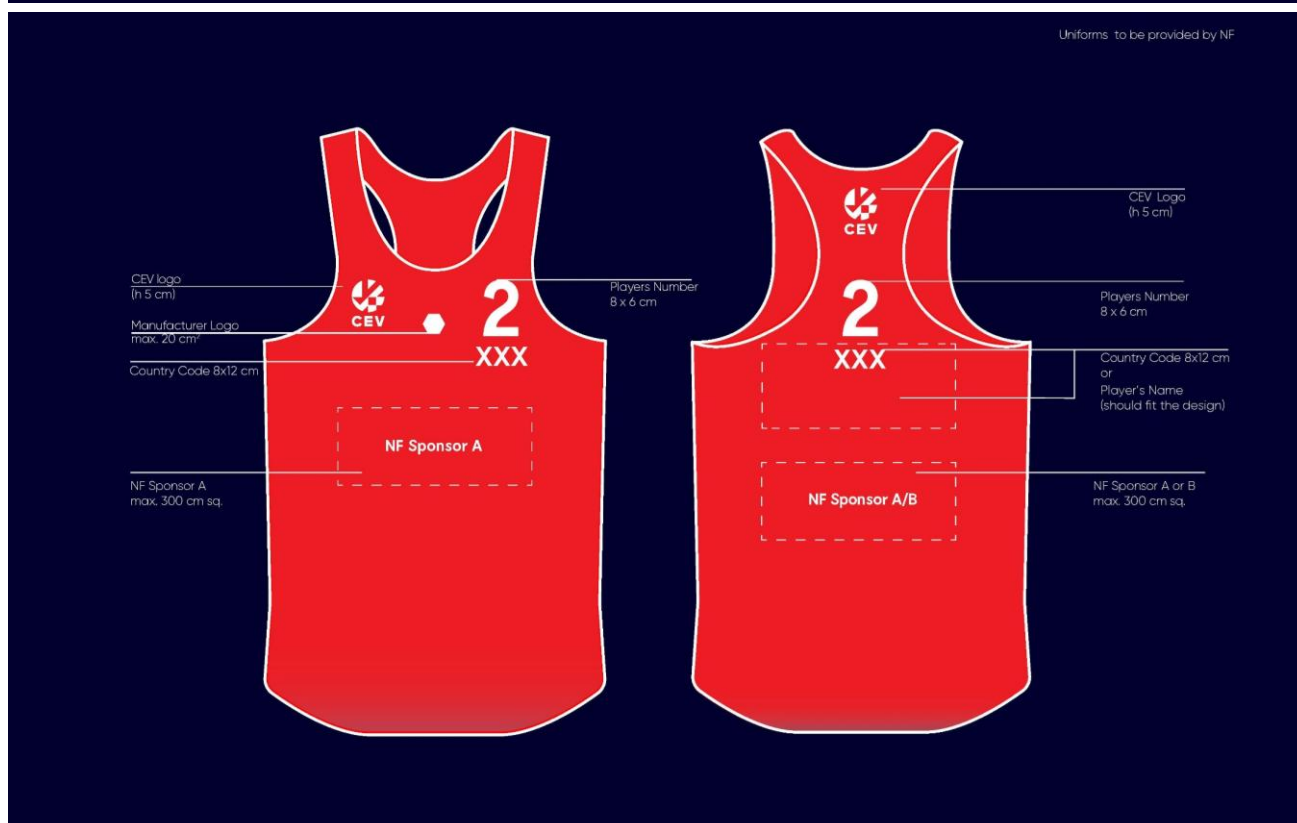
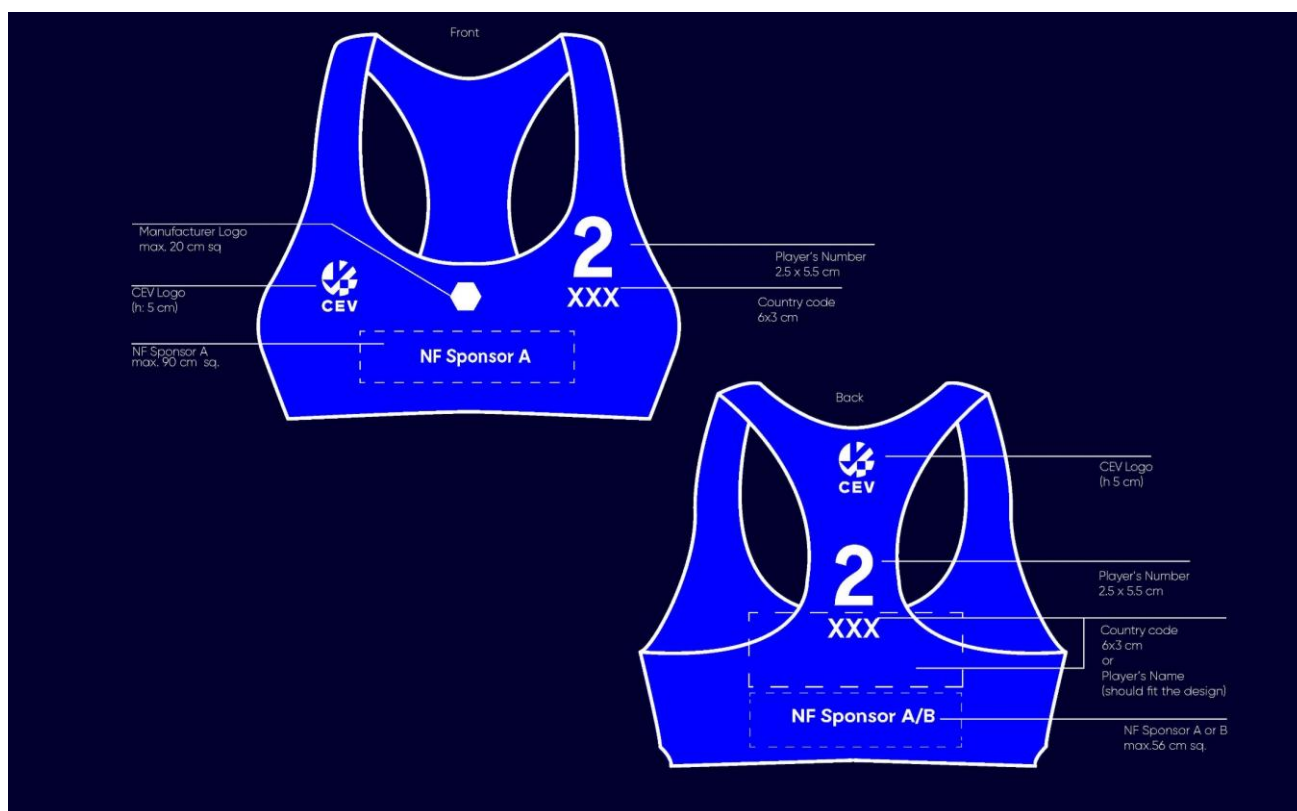
Additional information concerning the competition, and the registered teams will be published on the CEV Beach Volley Nations Cup section of the CEV website.

## 5. Contact Addresses

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## 6. ANNEX: Players' Uniforms Layout for Preliminary Phase





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