# CEV Beach Volley European Cup 2024

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## Introduction

The **CEV Beach Volley European Cup** is the latest addition to the CEV Beach Volleyball portfolio. Through its introduction in 2023 the competition aims to incorporate the Beach Volleyball clubs in the CEV ecosystem in close collaboration with National Federations, Beach Volleyball Clubs, and other stakeholders.

Following the very successful premiere organised in October 2023 in Balikesir, Türkiye, the CEV is now launching the 2024 edition. The CEV Beach Volley European Cup 2024 is planned for the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester of 2024, thus following completion of the domestic qualification process run by each National Federation.

Qualification to the CEV Beach Volleyball Clubs competition will be linked to the delivery of National competitions homologated by the CEV, as per the timelines detailed in Article 3 of this document. As with the 2023 edition, the qualification process run domestically by each National Federation can consist of multiple or standalone events, to be approved by the CEV through the prior submission of the respective National Clubs Competition Homologation form.

Men's and Women's competitions will run separately from each other.

## CEV Beach Volley Cup NF Ranking

As per the provisions of the CEV Beach Volley European Cup 2023 Official Communications, the CEV is introducing a new CEV European Beach Volley Cup NF ranking, considering also the results of the 2023 edition.

Points are allocated to all clubs participating in the CEV Beach Volley European Cup, including those participating in the preliminary phase (if any is organised), as per the final standing of the competition.

This ranking follows the below scale and will be used for the seeding of Clubs from the respective NF in the competition from 2024 onwards. The seeding of additional Clubs from the same NF will follow the seeding of all NF champions as per the principle applied in the CEV Volleyball Clubs competition.

As per the principle applied for the CEV Beach Volleyball Age Group European Championships, ranking points are the ranking points will be retained over a period of three years with a percentage of 60% of the points allocated in the 1<sup>st</sup> year, 30% on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 10% on the 3<sup>rd</sup> starting.

Rank	Points final	Rank	Points preliminary phase
1	100	9	45
2	90	Next*	40
3	80	Next*	35
4	70	Next*	30
5	60	Next*	25
7	50	Next*	20

\*The standing for those teams not qualifying for the final and the respective allocation of ranking points is based on the number of total registration and the competition format of the preliminary phase tournaments and will be defined in a subsequent Official Communication / Practical Info document.

## Timelines

Each National Federation with an already existing or planned National Clubs competition scheme is due to define and communicate to the CEV the respective information and the competition process in their territory (number of clubs, single event, multiple rounds, etc.) **by May 1**<sup>st</sup>, **2024.** 

The National Beach Volleyball club competition needs to be concluded by September 1st, 2024, at the latest.

The qualified clubs that wish to participate in the Beach Volley European Cup need to be registered by the respective National Federation **by September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024** through the relevant <u>*Registration Application form*</u>, while the registration of the athletes due to represent the clubs is due **by September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024** through the <u>*Registration of Athletes form*</u>.

## 2024 Competition Parametres

#### 4.1. <u>Competition format</u>

The 2024 edition of the Beach Volley European Cup will consist of 2 phases: a final tournament with the participation of 8 Clubs in October/November and a preliminary phase should the number of registered clubs exceed eight.

The organising NF of the final gains a direct spot to the tournament provided that the National Competition is duly homologated through the respective and previously mentioned forms.

The remaining positions will be allocated as follows:

- In case of up to 7 additional registrations, all Clubs qualify directly to the final
- In case of more than 7 registrations, the spots to the final will be allocatd through a preliminary phase that will involve all registered Clubs and will be played prior to the final. This phase will qualify a minimum 4 and maximum of 6 Clubs to the final and will be played in pools considering geographical location and the CEV Beach Volley European Cup NF Ranking.
- The remaining spot(s) will be allocated to the best ranked non-qualified NF(s) according to the 2024 CEV Beach Volley European Cup NF Ranking (see 'NF Clubs Ranking' section of this document). Any such allocation will only be allowed as long as the relevant NF(s) has participated in the preliminary phase.

The competition is played in a Club vs Club format where each Beach Volleyball Club participates with 2 teams and a delegation of minimum 4 and maximum 6 athletes, plus minimum 1 coach and a Head of Delegation. Details over the competition format will be circulated in a subsequent Official Communication.

The organiser of the final will be confirmed through a Candidature Application Process and announced at a later stage.

Each National Federation registering Clubs to the competition has the right to apply for the organisation of the preliminary phase tournaments, if necessary to take place. A document detailing the organising conditions will be shared to all NFs and will follow the principles applied in the final in regards to the CEV support and participating Clubs obligations, yet lower organisational conditions for the organising NF/Beach Volleyball Club will be required.

Should more than one National Federation apply for the organisation or should no National Federation apply, the organiser of these tournaments will be drawn amongst the registered Beach Volleyball Clubs.

The exact dates and format of the final and of any preliminary phase tournaments will be communicated at a later stage taking into consideration the number of homologated National events and registered clubs.

#### 4.2. <u>Right of Participation</u>

Any athletes wishing to take part in the CEV Beach Volley European Cup must fully comply with the following requirements:

• Confirm in writing their commitment to representing the respective Club through the <u>CEV Beach</u> <u>Volley European Cup Commitment Form</u> CEV

- Be duly registered in the Volleyball Information System (VIS) and meet the FIVB/CEV eligibility criteria
- Provide the <u>letter of Support from the National Federation of Origin form</u>, in case the athlete is registered in the VIS by a different National Federation to the one the Club is representing
- 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

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

Each athlete may represent only one (1) Club per European Cup season.

#### 4.3. <u>Prize money</u>

A Prize Money of 10,000 EUR will be allocated in the Beach Volley European Cup final tournament to the top three ranked Beach Volleyball Clubs per gender, as per the following breakdown:

Rank	Prize money (per Club)		
1	5,000 €		
2	3,000 €		
3	2,000 €		

No prize Money is allocated for the Preliminary phase tournaments.

#### 4.4. <u>Rules of the Game</u>

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

**Exception 1:** The presence of a coach inside the field of play is allowed provided that this coach is duly accredited as per the relevant provisions and timeline. The obligations and rights of coaches entering the field of play as well as their uniform layout are detailed in the CEV Coaching Regulations document.

**Exception 2:** Each Club retains the opportunity for 1 normal substitution as per Volleyball regulations per match for medical or tactical reasons.

#### 4.5. <u>Athletes' Uniforms & Accessories</u>

Each participating Club is responsible for providing all delegations members with uniforms, including the athletes' tops/jerseys. Extensive marketing exploitation of the uniforms with exposure of up to 4 sponsors/supporters remains with the Club and as per the annexed layouts.

In addition, each participating Beach Volley Club retains the right of displaying a Title Sponsor in the official Club's name used for the entire competition.

#### 4.6. <u>Transportation & Accommodation</u>

All participating Clubs are responsible for their Travel and accommodation expenses.

## 5. Financial Regulations

#### 5.1. <u>Participation Fee</u>

To participate in the CEV Beach Volley European Cup, the respective Club shall pay a participation fee of **200,-EUR** to the CEV through their respective National Federation.

#### 5.2. <u>License Fee</u>

For each athlete participating in the CEV Beach Volley European Cup, each Club shall pay a license fee upon receipt of the respective CEV invoice and through the respective National Federation, as defined in the CEV Beach Volleyball Competitions Regulations.

## 6. Further Information

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

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

# 7. Contact Addresses

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## ANNEX: ATHLETES UNIFORMS LAYOUT





A Club may present less than 2 sponsors in each side of the top or the same sponsor in both the front and back side. For the shorts/bottoms sponsors appearance follow the provisions of the CEV Beach Volleyball Guidelines. Each Club needs to prepare 2 sets of uniform (tank tops and shorts/bottoms) in different colors tops, numbered from 1 to 6



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