



TECHNICAL RULES FOR

ISF WSC VOLLEYBALL

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"We are school sport"



The ISF Volleyball Championships will be played under the direction of the ISF Technical Commission for Volleyball, in accordance with the Official Volleyball Rules of FIVB and the Specific ISF Volleyball regulations based on the FIVB U19-U20 and the FIVB Sports Regulations.

1. General Requirements

- a. The competition is open for school teams.
- b. There will be a competition organised in the following categories:
 - school teams, boys
 - school teams, girls
- c. Each country may enter only one team in each category.
- d. All players of the school team must have been enrolled the same school since the beginning of the school year.
- e. Students aged 18, 17, 16 and 15 years on 31 December of the year of the World Schools Championship concerned can participate.
- f. The players must be enrolled as full-time students at the school which they represent. They must be attending schools which provide a general education.

The following are not eligible to participate:

 - pupils of vocational schools who only attend that school as a complement to their vocational training,
 - school teams and pupils enrolled at schools which provide sports training without any general education,
 - part-time (e.g. afternoon) sports schools which take pupils from a variety of schools for training in one or more sports,
 - teams formed as part of clubs, companies, universities or other institutions.
- g. Each participating team must be nominated officially by the organisation responsible for school sport and which is member of ISF.
- h. Only players, registered on the team's list handed in at the accreditation, are authorized to take part in this competition.
- i. Mixed teams are not allowed.

2. Regulations and technical rules of the competition

- a. The draw: the draw of the groups takes place during the 2nd visit, in general 6 weeks after the deadline for registration and payment. The number of groups and the number of teams per group depend on the number of participating countries.
- b. For the establishment of a ranking, the classification of the 3 last Championships are to be taken into account. The teams are to be ranked according to their ratings. The countries with the smallest rating will be placed at the top of the ranking. A country that has not participated in one of the earlier Championships will have the same number of points as the last in the ranking plus 1 point.

- c. A team is composed by 12 players. Within the 12 players up to 2 liberos can be listed. So the team may be composed by:
- 12 regular players and 0 libero
 - 11 regular players and 1 libero
 - 10 regular players and 2 liberos
 - If the team has less than 12 players only 1 libero can be listed.

At the moment of registration of the team members, it is not necessary to identify the libero player(s).

- d. The schedule of the competition is to be defined after the registration period is over and should take into account the number of teams confirmed (2 x 16, 2 x 20, 2 x 24 and 2 x 32 teams). The schedule of the matches is to be specified in Bulletin 3 according to the number of the teams taking part in the event.
- e. The order of the matches will be set according to the "Berger table".
- f. Net height: Girls: 2,24m / Boys: 2,43m
- g. In all games the additional "Technical Time-Outs" rule is to be applied, according to FIVB regulations, either playing for 2 or 3 winning sets. In the deciding set (3rd or 5th) there is no "Technical Time-Out".
- h. The daily match schedule is determined by the TC in consultation with the OC. All games will start in accordance with the published timetable.
- i. Time-interval scheduled between the beginning of 2 matches cannot be less than 1h30 (2 winning sets) and 2h00 (3 winning sets). However, if the previous game extends beyond the time, the official protocol should only start after the playing area is free and the administrative procedures of the previous game are completed. The referees communicate the new game time to the coaches of both teams.
- j. If there are no warm-up halls, the interval between the two games will not be less than 30 minutes, starting from the time of previous game score sheet closure.

3. Results and classifications

- a. 1st round: "each against each other"; 2nd round: 1st and 2nd, and 3rd and 4th of each group crossing.

A classification is set up from the first to the last team.

Allocation of points for the ranking matches:

- 2-0 : W 3 points; L 0 point
- 2-1 : W 2 points; L 1 point

In the group phase (1st phase), in case of equal points, teams will be ranked according to: Number of victories = teams equally ranked will be classified in descending order by the number of matches won. Set quotient = if the tie persists, teams equally ranked will be classified in descending order by the quotient resulting from the division of the number of all sets won by the number of all sets lost. Points quotient = if the tie persists as per the set quotient, teams equally ranked will be classified in descending order by the quotient resulting from the division of all points scored by the total of points lost during all sets. If the tie continues as per the point quotient between two teams, the priority will be given to the team which won the last match between them.

4. Team equipment

- a. For ISF World Championship each team must have available two sets of playing uniforms, each one of a different color.
- b. Each player must wear the same number given at accreditation during the entire competition. The number is written on the accreditation card (AC).
- c. During the matches all people authorized to sit on the team bench, must be appropriately dressed with official team uniform or jacket and shirt. They must wear sport shoes.
Persons authorized to sit on the bench: only accredited players, one teacher/coach, one assistant teacher/coach, one physiotherapist and one medical doctor are allowed to sit on the team bench. If one of the functional positions is vacant, that position cannot be transferred to another function or person.
Only team members recorded in the score sheet and wearing training suits will be allowed on the playing court and the free zone during the warm-up sessions

5. Referees

Each country which enters teams must provide one referee per team. Failing that the ISF rules will be applied. All referees shall be in possession of a national highest level (NR) or international qualification (IR). Their status is to be certified at accreditation by a document or licence authenticated by the National Volleyball Federation.

NB. Additional information will be included in bulletin 1, 2 and/or 3 of the relevant event

This schedule of specific regulations is a guide for the World Schools Championship OC, participating countries and TC members.

It does not claim to be exhaustive and will be enhanced by the observations and remarks of successive organizers.