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FIVB EVENTS REGULATIONS
SWATCH-FIVB WORLD TOUR

HELLAS WOMEN'S OPEN - RHODES, GREECE - 11-15 JUNE

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NATIONAL FEDERATION	<p>Hellenic Volleyball Federation c/o Alex Paraskevopoulos, Beach Volleyball Coordinator 47 Markou Botsari & Falirou Str., 117 42 Athens Tel: (+30)210.9211.645 Fax: (+30)210.9228.764 E-mail: beach@volleyball.gr</p>
VENUE	<p>City Hall Square, Rhodes Map with info at www.beachvolleyball.gr/RhodesOpen-Women</p>
COMPETITION SCHEDULE AND COMPETITION FORMAT	<p>Qualification Tourn.: Wednesday, 11th, Thursday 12th Main Draw & Finals: Friday 13th, Saturday 14th, Sunday 15th Finals. Evening sessions with artificial lighting The Qualification Tournament is preceded by the "Country Quota Playoff" matches (with a single elimination format) to determine the teams eligible to participate in the Main Draw through the Qualification Tournament. The Qualification Tournament (i.e. max. 64 teams at the completion of the "Country Quota Playoff" matches) consists of a single elimination format. The preliminary matches of the Main Draw are based on the pool play system. The final phase of the Main Draw consists of a single elimination format with 16 teams. The winners of the 2 semi-finals play the finals for the 1st and 2nd place while the losers play the finals for the 3rd and 4th place.</p>
EVENT OFFICE	<p>Hellenic Volleyball Federation Beach Volleyball Dept./Hellas Women's Open 47 Dimitrakopoulou Str., 117 41 Athens Tel: (+30)210.9211.645 Fax: (+30)210.9236.292 E-mail: fivbrhodes@volleyball.gr Web-Site: www.beachvolleyball.gr/RhodesOpen-Women Tournament Director, Alex Paraskevopoulos E-mail: alekosp@volleyball.gr Cellular Phone Number: (+30)6944.689425 Transportation Manager, Christos Dimitropoulos E-mail: cdimitropoulos@gstravel.gr Cellular Phone Number: (+30)6932.437870 Administration Manager, Hotels, George Gagalis E-mail: gagalis@volleyball.gr Cellular Phone Number: (+30)6944.919513</p>
	 

PRIZE MONEY	FOR A \$150,000 PRIZE MONEY AND BONUS POOL EVENT		
	Rank	Prize in US\$	Bonus in US\$
	1 st x 1	\$15'000	\$7'000
	2 nd x 1	\$10'000	\$5'000
	3 rd x 1	\$8'000	\$4'000
	4 th x 1	\$6'000	\$3'000
	5 th x 4	\$4'000	\$2'000
	9 th x 8	\$2'500	\$1'500
	17 th x 8	\$1'750	\$750
	25 th x 8	\$1'375	\$625
	TOTAL	\$100,000	\$50,000
	The Prize Money will be paid as follows: + 30 days after the end of the event		
	The Bonus Pool will be paid to all eligible athletes as follows: by 31 August and 20 November		
FIVB WORLD RANKING POINTS (PER ATHLETE)	Rank	%	US\$150,000
	1 st x 1	100%	150
	2 nd x 1	90%	135
	3 rd x 1	80%	120
	4 th x 1	70%	105
	5 th x 4	60%	90
	9 th x 8	50%	75
	17 th x 8	40%	60
	25 th x 8	30%	45
	33 th x 8	20%	30
41 st x 16	10%	15	
57 th x 32	5%	7	
EVENT SCHEDULE	Tuesday June 10th	Arrival of Qualification Tournament teams 19:00 Preliminary 20:00 Technical Meeting: at NATIONAL Theatre Hall (City Hall Square) for Qualification Tournament teams (mandatory attendance)	
	Wednesday June 11th	Qualification Tournament	
	Thursday June 12th	Qualification Tournament Arrival of Main Draw teams 20:00 Preliminary Inquiry 21:00 Technical Meeting: at NATIONAL Theatre Hall (City Hall Square) for Main Draw teams (mandatory attendance)	
	Friday June 13th	Main Draw (40 matches) Departure of players not qualified for the Main Draw	
	Saturday June 14th	Main Draw (18 matches)	
	Sunday June 15th	Semi-finals & Finals (4 matches)	
	Monday June 16th	Departure	
PLAYERS' ELIGIBILITY (FIVB WEB SITE)	Only players who have sent to the FIVB the required forms (WT/01, WT/01M, WT/01W and WT/07) will be considered eligible to take part into the 2003 FIVB events.		
ENTRY (FIVB WEB SITE)	The FIVB confirms the list of entries to the organizers of the event, with the Main Draw and Qualifications as per the Entry Points of that day 13 days before the start of the event. Entry Points are the sum of individual ranking points based on the best 4 out of the last 5 FIVB Open, Grand Slam and World Championships participations within the last 365 days.		
FORFEIT	Each National Federation is responsible to inform immediately both the FIVB and the organizers in case of forfeit of an enrolled team.		
PRELIMINARY INQUIRY & TECHNICAL MEETING	Athletes must attend the Preliminary Inquiry and present their official forms (players' commitment, health certificate, prize money form), if not already previously provided to the FIVB. Athletes' attendance of the technical meeting is mandatory. If required, a drawing of lots will be made during the meeting; seeding and detailed information on the competition will be distributed.		
UNIFORMS	If required by the FIVB Technical Supervisor, uniforms will be checked during the Preliminary Inquiry. Athletes of the same team must wear the same color and style of shorts briefs. The display of the individual players' sponsors' logos on shorts and accessories must comply with the FIVB advertising regulations. Speedo playing shirts/tank tops will be provided by the organizers to the athletes, officials and organizing staff. The Rule concerning the implementation of the Men's shorts (i.e 15 cm above the knee cap) has been confirmed by the FIVB Board of Administration in May 2003		
			

SEEDING	<p>In the Qualification Tournament (Grand Slam and Open Events), teams are seeded as per the players' 365 day FIVB World Ranking points on the day before the event (Technical Meeting).</p> <p>In the Main Draw all teams are seeded as per the players' most recent Main Draw finish (best 4 out of 5 last finishes) over the last 12 months in FIVB World Tour events on the day before the start of the event (Technical Meeting)</p>	
RULES OF THE GAME & OFFICIAL BALL	<p>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 Web site at http://www.fivb.org/Beach.</p> <p><u>Playing system</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Rally Point System 2 out of 3 sets as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) First and second sets <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 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 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 15 points - switch every 5 points - one time-out per team <p>All sets win by 2 points Intervals between sets to be of 1 minute Official Ball: MIKASA VLS-200 (67 cm +1/-1)</p>	
WELCOME & LOCAL TRANSPORTATION	<p>Organisers will welcome Qualification and Main Draw players at Rhodes "DIAGORAS" International Airport and will take care of the local transportation from the Airport to the hotel, provided that the teams will send their detailed travel itinerary (flight and arrival time) until Friday June 6th to Fax No: +30.210.9236292 (Hellenic Volleyball Federation / Event Office)</p> <p>Local transportation for any other persons, like coaches, guests, or family members are not under the responsibility of the promoter.</p>	
BOARD & LODGING	<p>The organizer will provide Main Draw teams with hotel accommodation (double room) and meals from the evening of Thursday 12th June, to breakfast on Monday 16th June 2003.</p> <p>Qualification Tournament teams are responsible for their own expenses including, but not limited to, airfare, visa, hotel¹, food and miscellaneous expenses. The organizers are also responsible for the cost related to the athletes proceeding from the Qualification Tournament to the Main Draw in the organizer's designated Hotel. The accommodation hotel (double room) and food for teams qualifying for the Main Draw are provided from the evening of Thursday 12th June, to breakfast on Monday 16th June 2003.</p> <p>Athletes are personally responsible for all extras at the hotel such as minibar, phone calls, laundry, etc. to be paid upon checkout.</p> <p>The organizers are not required to make reservations for coaches, friends, and family members accompanying the participating athlete.</p>	
TRANSPORTATION	<p>Athletes (or/and their National Federations) are responsible for their own international and domestic airfare and for any airport taxes or visa expenses. Athletes (or their National Federations) are requested to apply early enough for their entry visas, whenever needed.</p>	
HOTEL	<p>Hotel MEDITERRANEAN (Main Draw Athlete) 35 Kos Str., Rhodes Tel: +30.22410.24661, Fax: +30.22410.22828, E-mail: info@mediterranean.gr</p> <p>THE GRAND HOTEL (FIVB Delegates) Akti Miaouli and Papanikolaou Corner, Rhodes 85100 Tel:+30.2410.54700/ fax: +30.2410.54701/ e-mail: grand@otenet.gr</p> <p>Hotel PLAZA BEST WESTERN (FIVB Referees), 7 Ierou Lochou Str Tel: +30.22410.22501 / fax: +30.22410.22544 / e-mail: plaza@otenet.gr</p>	
		

¹ A suggested hotels' list is enclosed in the appendix. It is **very important** to look for your accommodation early enough. Normally you will find no available accommodation for those days on site.

ACCREDITATION	Organizers must provide all Organizing Committee members, FIVB Officials, referees, athletes, VIP's, journalists, technical staff, court personnel, volunteers, etc. with an official ID card and must ensure that only people with accreditation access the designated venue areas.
WITHDRAWAL / SANCTIONS	<p>Withdrawal and/or disbanding of teams/athletes entered in the Main Draw is not allowed (once the confirmed list is issued), unless in a case of "force majeure" or player's injury. In such cases, a Medical Certificate or a declaration of good faith must be provided to the FIVB before the start of the Technical Meeting. Athletes in the Main Draw may be replaced by any team member for reasons of "force majeure", for a 30-day period (keeping its Main Draw status) only once during the season, and for one Tournament only. In case of withdrawal and/or disbanding of teams/athletes entered in the Main Draw without any Medical Certificate or declaration of good faith, the FIVB will then apply a US\$ 3,000 fine, as specified in the "Sanctions" chapter of the World Tour Handbook.</p> <p>Withdrawal and/or disbanding of teams/athletes entered in the Qualification Tournament is not allowed (once the confirmed list is issued), unless in case of "force majeure" or player's injury, In such cases, a Medical Certificate or a declaration of good faith must be provided to the FIVB before the start of the Technical Meeting.</p> <p>In case of withdrawal and/or disbanding of teams/athletes entered in the Qualification Tournament without any Medical Certificate or declaration of good faith, the FIVB will then apply a US\$ 500 fine.</p> <p>Athletes who have not communicated their travel itineraries to the organizers and who arrive late for the Technical Meeting (i.e after the seeding is made) will be excluded from the event by the FIVB Technical Supervisor for "no show" or fined.</p> <p>Athletes failing to attend the Technical Meeting and who have not sent the appropriate "force majeure" documents before the start of the event concerned will be sanctioned by the FIVB.</p> <p>Notification for last minute withdrawals on the day of a Technical Meeting must be sent to the FIVB Beach Volleyball Department (+ 41 21 345 35 48) as well as to the organizers of the event, and the FIVB Technical Supervisor at the venue office.</p>
INSURANCE	Athletes must have their own liability and medical insurances. The FIVB is not responsible for any medical expenses incurred while competing in a tournament.
MEDICAL CONTROLS	The FIVB reserves the right to perform random medical controls, as per FIVB rules and regulations.

APPENDICES

1. Official invitation letter to be addressed to the participating FIVB officials and National Federations
2. Confirmed teams list (Main and Qualification tournament)
3. List of hotels for the Qualification Tournament players, media & guests - FIVB Web Site
 - **Hotel RHODES PALACE RESORT** (5*) / Ad: lalyssos Avenue, Ixia, / tel: +30.22410.25222 / fax: +30.22410.25350 / e-mail: info@rodos-palace.gr
 - **Hotel PLAZA BEST WESTERN** (4*) / Ad: 7 Ierou Lochou Str / tel: +30.22410.22501 / fax: +30.22410.22544 / e-mail: plaza@otenet.gr
 - **Hotel SIRAVAST** (4*) / Ad: G. Xaritou Sq. / tel: +30.22410.23551 / fax: +30.22410.23311 / e-mail: hocactus@otenet.gr
 - **Hotel KAMIROS** (4*) / Ad: 1 25th March Str. / tel: +30.22410.22591 / fax: +30.22410.22349 / e-mail: kamiros@otenet.gr
 - **Hotel AGLA** (3*) / Ad: 35 Apol. Amerikis Str. / tel: +30.22410.22061 / fax: +30.22410.34984 / e-mail: info@aglahotel.gr
 - **Hotel CACTUS** (3*) / Ad: 14 Cos Str. / tel: +30.22410.26100 / fax: +30.22410.23376 / e-mail: hocactus@otenet.gr
 - **Hotel ESPERIA** (3*) / Ad: 7 Griva Str. / tel: +30.22410.23941 / fax: +30.22410.23164 / e-mail: esperia@esperia-hotels.gr
 - **Hotel ATHENA** (3*) / Ad: 40 Gr. Lampraki Str. / tel: +30.22410.22631 / fax: +30.22410.27476
4. Map of the city/venue - FIVB Web Site
5. Travel Itinerary Form (WT/31) - FIVB Web Site

