



Technical Regulations U21 Volleyball

Palermo, Italy
4 – 9 June 2018

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1. EVENTS

The volleyball competition for men and women will be conducted in a team tournament format.

2. PARTICIPANTS

2.1. Age Eligibility

The participants must be born on or after 1 January 1997 for U21 and on or after 1 January 1995 for U23 [only two (2) players U23 per each team can participate in the competitions].

2.2. Number of Teams

2.2.1. Each National Federation may enter one (1) men's team and one (1) women's team. Participation in the EDSO is limited to a maximum of twelve (12) men's teams and twelve (12) women's teams.

Men's Teams 5 teams: Italy (host), Poland, Ukraine, Turkey, Russia.

Women's Teams 5 teams: Italy (host), Poland, Ukraine, Turkey, Russia.

2.3. Team composition

The team shall play with players U21 and only with a maximum of two (2) players U23.

Each team may have a maximum total of fourteen (14) players, consisting of a maximum of twelve (12) regular players and a maximum of two (2) liberos, one team Manager, one head coach, one assistant coach, one physiotherapist and one medical doctor.

Prior to the match, there may be written in a maximum of 12 players on the official scoresheet: 10 players + 2 libero or 11 players + 1 libero or 12 players without libero.

3. REGISTRATION

3.1. Preliminary Registration

The preliminary registrations must be submitted to EDSO Technical Director and Representative no later than **31 May 2017**. [Not less than one (1) year before the competition.]

3.2. Final Entry

The final entries must be submitted to EDSO Technical Director and Representative no later than **29 November 2017**. [Not less than six (6) months before the competition.] Such submissions will be made via official online registration form or telefax followed by the official registration form.

3.3. Name Registration

The name Registration with the names of each athlete indicating event entered must be submitted to EDSO Technical Director and Representative no later than **3 May 2018**. [Not less than one (1) month before the competitions.] Such submissions will be made via official online registration form or telefax followed by the official registration form.

4. COMPETITION RULES AND REGULATIONS

4.1. Technical Organization

EDSO is responsible for the technical organisation of the Volleyball competitions.

4.2. Committees

4.2.1. Technical Committee:

The technical committee will be composed of the EDSO Technical Director and members appointed by the Organising Committee:

Cathy Schelvis	EDSO Volleyball Technical Director
Alexander Romantsov	EDSO Representative
Guiseppe Virga	FIVB Chief Referee
Roberto Mormino	FIVB representative
Guido Zanecchia	Deaf Representative (FSSI)

4.2.2. Protest Committee:

The Championships Protest Committee shall consist of:

Alexander Romantsov	EDSO Representative (Chair – NO VOTING RIGHT)
Cathy Schelvis	EDSO Technical Director
Guiseppe Virga	FIVB Chief Referee
Roberto Mormino	FIVB representative

4.3. Competition Rules

The Volleyball competitions will be conducted in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the FIVB (version 2017-2020). In case of disagreement in the interpretation of the Rules and Regulations, the English text shall prevail. Unforeseen incidents not covered by the Rules and Regulations shall be dealt with as follows:

4.3.1. Cases of a general nature will be resolved in accordance with EDSO Regulations, EDSO General Technical Rules and this Volleyball Technical Regulations.

4.3.2. Technical questions related to competition rules shall be resolved according to the FIVB Rules and Regulations.

4.3.3. Only athletes who comply with the EDSO Regulations are entitled to take part in the EDSO Volleyball competitions.

4.4. Competition Equipment

4.4.1. All equipment and implements used during competitions will comply with the FIVB Rules and Regulations.

4.4.2. The ball brand will be Mikasa MVA 200.

4.4.3. The nets will comply with the FIVB Regulations.

4.5. Competition Uniform

4.5.1. Each team shall have two (2) sets of uniforms in contrasting colours (one light and the other dark). Team colours and jersey numbers (1 - 20) must be identified on the final entry form. This will be checked during the first Technical Meeting. The uniforms will comply with the FIVB regulations.

1. Each athlete shall wear the same jersey number on both front and back, and on front of the right leg throughout the competition.

2. The two (2) teams playing each other shall wear clearly contrasting colours.

4.6. Draw

The drawing of lots to seed the teams into pools of the preliminary round of the men's and women's tournament were done on 5th May 2018 in Heemstede (The Netherlands).

4.6.1. If a country withdraws after the draw, there will be **no** new draw. A country from the waiting list can replace it or the Technical Director will decide about this based on the classification of the bowls and the numbers of the draw.

4.7. Competition Plan

The competition consists of preliminary round, matches for 3/4 places and Finals.

4.7.1. Preliminary Round

Men: The participating teams to play each other (round-robin tournament).

Women: The participating teams to play each other (round-robin tournament).

4.7.2. 3/4 places

The teams that are ranked 3rd and 4th in their pools will play again for bronze.

4.7.3. Finals

The teams that are ranked 1st and 2nd in their pools will play again for Gold and Silver.

4.7.4. Classifications

The 5th place teams in men's and women's groups will not play for classification after pools games have completed.

4.7.5. Pool Rankings

The **match points** earned by each team in each pool shall be a sum of the following points per match:

<i>Match won 3-0; 3-1</i>	<i>3 points</i>
<i>Match won 3-2</i>	<i>2 points</i>
<i>Match lost 2-3</i>	<i>1 point</i>
<i>Match lost 1-3; 0-3</i>	<i>0 point</i>
<i>Match forfeited</i>	<i>0 point (25-0; 25-0; 25-0)</i>

If two (2) or more teams have the same number of match points after the preliminary round is completed, the teams will be classified in the following sequence:

1. The first tiebreaker is the highest point ratio (number of points scored divided by number of points lost).
2. If the first tiebreaker fails, the second tiebreaker is the highest set ratio (number of sets won divided by the number of sets lost).
3. If the second tiebreaker fails, the third tiebreaker is the head-to-head result between two tied teams. If there are three or more teams involved in a tiebreaker, there will be a drawing of lots.

4.8. Officials

4.8.1. Referee

Allocation of the referees to conduct the matches will be made by the technical committee. Where possible, referees shall be in possession of an FIVB international referee license valid for 2016. However, referees with national accreditation may be used.

Deaf referees are welcome subject to following these rules. The organization committee will cover the costs for hotel and food.

4.8.2. Appointment

The Organising Committee shall appoint an appropriate number of the scorers, line judges, ball retrievers, floor sweepers, etc.

4.9. Withdraw

If a team withdraws after the competition has begun or is disqualified during the pool matches, the pool must continue without this team and no replacement is allowed. The matches played by the team concerned will not be taken into consideration.

5. VENUES

5.1. Competition Venue

The Volleyball competitions will take place at Sports hall PALAORETO Via Santa Maria Gesù 11, 90124 Palermo.

5.1.1. Courts

There will be 1 court in the hall.

5.1.2. Flooring

The competition court surface will be a wooden floor.

5.2. Training Venue

The training venue will take place in

- Sports hall PALAORETO Via Santa Maria Gesù 11, 90124 Palermo
- Piscina Comunale di Palermo Viale del Fante, 7, 90146 Palermo

6. SCHEDULE

6.1 Competition Schedule

Refer to the competition schedules on the hosting competitions website:

www.u21edvc2018.it

6.2. Training Schedule

Refer to the training schedule on the hosting competitions website:

www.u21edvc2018.it Training sessions will take place on **1,2 and 3 June 2018.**

NOTE: All teams must bring their own balls for training.

6.3 Technical Meeting

6.3.1. Date and Location

The first Technical Meeting will be held in the conference room at Hotel Aetheneum via Luigi Giannettino n°4 - 90128 Palermo on 3 June 2018 at 20:00.

The second Technical Meeting will be held in the conference room at Hotel Aetheneum via Luigi Giannettino n°4 - 90128 Palermo on 8 June 2018 at 20:00.

6.3.2. Attendance

Each participating National Federation may be represented by two (2) officials, of whom at least one (1) must be deaf and, if necessary, an interpreter. Each National Federation must bring two (2) sets of uniforms to the meeting for review and approval.

7. CONTROL AND SANCTIONS

7.1. Hearing Devices

The use of any hearing devices(s)/amplification or external cochlear implant parts is strictly forbidden from the restricted zone area.

7.1.1. Restricted Zone Area

The restricted zone area is in effect from the time athletes enter on the volleyball court during the warm-up and competition period.

7.1.2. Violation and Penalty

When this rule is violated, the game shall immediately be stopped and the offending team shall lose by forfeit. Refer to ICSD [Audiogram Regulations](#), 8: *VIOLATIONS and PENALTIES*

8. PROTESTS

8.1. Procedure for lodging a protest

All sport related protests will be resolved in accordance to the FIVB Rules and Regulations and will be managed by the Volleyball Protest Committee. Any official protest must be submitted in writing in English on the Official EDSO Protest Form. The form must be given to the EDSO Technical Director with EURO €100 within sixty (60) minutes after official posted results.

8.1.1. The EDSO Technical Director will decide whether the protest is sporting related or eligibility related. The Volleyball Protest Committee will review all sport related protests, and the EDSO Executive Committee will review all eligibility protests. The deposit of EURO €100 will be returned to the appellant only if the protest is considered valid.

8.2. Procedures for reviewing a protest

The Volleyball Protest Committee will meet in the Technical Director's office at Palaoreto, Palermo at a time decided upon by the chairperson of the committee.

- The EDSO Representative will be the chairperson of the committee.

- The Sports Liaison Officer (SLO) will be responsible to book the meeting room and interpreters.
- The Sports Liaison Officer (SLO) will contact all committee members to inform them of the meeting time and location.
- The EDSO Technical Director will be responsible for liaising with the State Sports Association's Competition Manager.
- The Sports Liaison Officer (SLO) will be responsible for informing the hosting Deaf Sport Federation and the EDSO Technical Director will be responsible for informing EDSO Executive Committee about the protest and also the outcome of the protest.