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## MEVZA BEACH VOLLEYBALL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP 2022/23

### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION

### PRELIMINARY REMARKS

The organization of “MEVZA BEACH VOLLEYBALL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP” (MBVCC) is entrusted to Middle European Volleyball Zonal Association (in succession: MEVZA), Prinz-Eugen-Strasse 12, 1040 Vienna, Austria, phone: +385 91 2446 048, e-mail: [info@mevza.org](mailto:info@mevza.org)

MEVZA BEACH VOLLEYBALL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP (MBVCC) 2022/2023 is a beach volleyball club competition, organized annually, during the competition season 2022 / 2023, between beach volleyball clubs affiliated to National Federations members of MEVZA.

All National Federations members of MEVZA (in succession: NFs) and their affiliated clubs (teams) willing to participate in MEVZA BEACH VOLLEYBALL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP (MBVCC) 2022/2023 are obliged to follow the rules laid down in the Official Communications of MEVZA BEACH VOLLEYBALL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP (MBVCC) 2022/2023.



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## 1. COMPETITION SYSTEM

### 1.1. Types of competition

MEVZA BEACH VOLLEYBALL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP (WOMEN) – MBVCC W  
MEVZA BEACH VOLLEYBALL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP (MEN) – MBVCC M

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 12 athletes, plus 1 mandatory team manager and optional 1 head coach per delegation.

### 1.2. Competition System

The competition will be organized through two separate Tournaments (women and men). The Tournaments shall be organized during the weekend days (Friday – Sunday).

- Match Club vs Club consists of two 2 games played by teams of each club and if need 1 golden set
- Each game is played through 2 sets to 21 points and if needed, one golden set to 21 points
- Seeding after CEV Beach Volleyball Country Ranking -14 days before the start of the tournament
- No Country Quota

#### Group phase:

- Game 1: Team 1 of Club 1 plays against Team 1 of Club 2
- Game 2: Team 2 of Club 1 plays against Team 2 of Club 2
- Calculation of ranking in Group phase:
  - a) Game Points (2 points for winner, 1 point for loser)
  - b) set ratio
  - c) point ratio
  - d) direct matchup
  - e) coin toss

In group phase the Golden set is not played (only 2 games are played).



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### Single Elimination phase:

- Game 1: Team 1 of Club 1 plays against Team 1 of Club 2
- Game 2: Team 2 of Club 1 plays against Team 2 of Club 2
- If the result after two Games is 1:1 -> Golden set will be played, but the Team in the Golden set cannot be of the same composition as the one that already participated in the game in this round. For the Golden set, Clubs need to change the composition of the Team with different players from the license list

### 1.3. Tournament composition (depending on the number of participating Clubs):

#### 6 or 8 Clubs:

- 2 pools with 3 or 4 Clubs – round robin
- Winners of two groups qualify directly to Semifinal
- Club on the 2<sup>nd</sup> position in Group 1 plays against the Club on the 3<sup>rd</sup> position in Group 2 and vice versa in Quarterfinals. Losers are ranked 5<sup>th</sup>.
- Club on the 4<sup>th</sup> position in Group 1 plays against the 4<sup>th</sup> positioned Club of Group 2 for placement, winners are ranked 7<sup>th</sup>.
- Bronze Medal Match
- Gold Medal Match

#### 12 Clubs:

- 4 pools with 3 Clubs – round robin in Group phase.
- Winners of two groups qualify directly to Quarterfinal
- 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> ranked Clubs of all 4 groups -> draw
- Single elimination
- Bronze Medal Match
- Gold Medal Match

#### 16 Clubs:

- 4 pools with 4 Clubs – modified pool play in Group phase
- Single elimination with 12 Clubs (draw) in second phase
- 1<sup>st</sup> ranked Clubs of all 4 groups -> Quarterfinal
- 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> ranked Clubs of all 4 groups -> draw
- 4th Club is eliminated



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## 1.4. Tournament schedule

The tournament schedule will be communicated in the general information of the respective tournament.

This is an example how the schedule could look like with 16 Clubs:

- 1<sup>st</sup> day - 2 pool rounds
- 2<sup>nd</sup> day - round of 12 and Quarterfinals
- 3<sup>rd</sup> day - Semifinals and Medal Matches

## 2. RIGHTS AND DUTIES

### 2.1. Right of participation of Clubs

MBVCC is open for a maximum of 16 MEN and 16 WOMEN Clubs.

The club(s) eligible to participate in MBVCC 2022/23 are clubs coming from NFs members of MEVZA that will submit official MBVCC registration form, authorized and signed by the respective National federation, member of MEVZA, by deadline set within this document and who fulfill all competition requirements set within this Official Communication.

### 2.2. Club Uniforms

Jerseys and shorts must comply with FIVB Official Volleyball Rules as well as with the CEV Uniform Standards for Beach volleyball competitions organized by Clubs.

### 2.3. Duties of the Organizer

- Sending information to the Club(s) and referees about Tournament, using the respective MEVZA Tournament Handbook template not later than ONE week before the respective Tournament
- Organize full board basis accommodation for international officials (referees and Supervisor) in a hotel with an adequate service (min. 3\*) for the entire duration of their stay
- Pay per diems for all MEVZA nominated officials (international referees and MEVZA Supervisor) starting one day before the start of the tournament, ending on the last tournament day and cover all travel related costs for the same official Communications
- Enable smooth running of the competition, providing adequate manpower on site
- Respect all regulations regarding the court layout, marketing, press as defined in this Official Communication



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## 2.4. Dates and venues of MBVCC 2022/23

Men MEVZA Beachvolleyball club championship (MBVCC M)

- Vienna ( Austria ), 17 – 19 February 2023, MAXX Sportcenter, Jedlersdorfer Str. 94

Women MEVZA Beachvolleyball club championship (MBVCC W)

- Ljubljana ( Slovenia ), 17 – 19 March 2023 Ludus Beach Park, Šlandrova ulica 11

## 3. INSCRIPTION OF CLUBS

Inscription procedure:

- Each MEVZA member NF applies the club(s) from its territory providing MEVZA Sport Director with the duly filled and signed Application form **"2022/23 MEVZA Beachvolleyball Club competition application"**, duly signed and confirmed by the authorized representative of the respective NF by the following deadline:
  - Men MEVZA Beachvolleyball club championship (MBVCC M)
    - o **Deadline 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2023.**
    - o
  - Women MEVZA Beachvolleyball club championship (MBVCC W)
    - o **Deadline 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2023.**

The signed Application has to be sent to following e-mails:

[sportdirector@mevza.org](mailto:sportdirector@mevza.org) and [beachreferat@volleynet.at](mailto:beachreferat@volleynet.at)

Each club has to provide a license list according to the respective national ranking.



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## 4. COMPETITION VENUE REQUIREMENTS

The Competition Hall must fulfill the minimum requirements as follows:

- Minimum 3 Courts
- Height min. 7 m
- Minimum Competition Area per court 22 x 14 m
- Minimum Lightning Level 800 lux
- The playing court colors court lines clearly marked
- Court limitation with advertising boards fixed panels or LED system
- Minimum two dressing rooms for referees and officials
- Minimum three official playing balls per court

All matches during the MBVCC 2022/23 are to be played with MIKASA VLS 300, being the official ball of the Competition.

## 5. MARKETING, COURT LAYOUT AND PRESS

### 5.1. General information

Each Organizer shall make sure that the competition is always recognizable as a MEVZA event. Therefore:

- The MBVCC competition title banner (3m x 1m) has to be produced by the organizer and displayed on the given position of the court layout as laid down in the Official Communications
- All printed materials produced by the Organizer shall display the MEVZA logo. The size shall be at minimum the same as the biggest one of all other logos on the respective print material



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## 5.2. Court Layout

- The surface of banners must be perfectly stretched and not contain any wrinkles
- The size of the banners must be 300cm x 100cm. The support for the advertising panels must be 1 m high.
- MEVZA reserves 2 [TWO] banner positions around each court
- The competition title banner must be produced by the organizers according to the layout made available on the MEVZA website
- In case of using the LED around the court, a written approval from MEVZA will have to be obtained, and the LED playlist must include official MEVZA Competition title

## 5.3. Press

Organizers are obliged to provide the MEVZA Office with the following press items:

### Tournament description:

- Each Organizer must send the Tournament description (3 – 4 sentences) with quotes of all Head Coaches as well as all Captains accompanied by 3 or 4 pictures from each of the matches. Photos must be free of authors' rights and available to use free of charge and for an unlimited period of time. Deadline for sending the Tournament description is 2 hours after each competition day.

Articles will be published on the MEVZA website and social networks and distributed to the respective press agencies in close cooperation with MEVZA PR Department.

All press materials (articles, pictures) must be sent to the e-mail address: [pr@mevza.org](mailto:pr@mevza.org)

## 5.4. Cups and Medals

The winning Clubs of the MBVCC 2022/23 (W & M) shall receive a Cup donated by organizer.

The Clubs which qualify on the podium of MBVCC shall receive medals donated by organizer.

12 players and a maximum of 2 accompanying persons of the delegation receive a gold medal (MBVCC Champion);

12 players and a maximum of 2 accompanying persons of the delegation receive a silver medal (MBVCC runner-up);

12 players and a maximum of 2 accompanying persons of the delegation receive a bronze medal (MBVCC 3<sup>rd</sup> ranked team).



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## 6. FINANCIAL MATTERS

### 6.1. Participation / organizational costs to be paid by the participating clubs to Organizer:

- 6.1.1. General registration ("Participation fee") for MBVCC Men 150,00 EUR
- 6.1.2. General registration ("Participation fee") for MBVCC Women 150,00 EUR

The "Participation fee" includes the license for the tournament.

The "Participation fee" is to be paid upon the receipt of the respective Invoice on the preliminary inquiry.

### 6.2. Referees and match official costs to be paid by the Organizer(s) to the respective officials, the latest on the day of their arrival to the venue:

- 6.2.1. Referee per diem of 100,00 EUR per day (starting from one day before the start of the first match up to the day of the last match)
- 6.2.2. MEVZA Supervisor per diem of 100,00 EUR per day (starting from one day before the start of the first match up to the day of the last match)
- 6.2.3. Travel costs for all officials (referees and Supervisor) from the city of origin to the venue, in the amount of 0,40 EUR / km
- 6.2.4. Full board accommodation and lodging for all match officials shall be paid by the Organizer

### 6.3. Accommodation fee

Participating Clubs are free to decide on their own accommodation and no accommodation is free in mandatory to be paid to the organizer.

If requested, the Organizers(s) may suggest available accommodation options.

### 6.4. MEVZA financial obligation

The organizer of each MEVZA Beach Volleyball Club Championship 2022/23 tournament will receive support from MEVZA in the amount of 2.500,00 EUR, upon receipt of the respective invoice from the Organizer(s).





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## 7. REFEREE INSTRUCTIONS

All MBVCC 2022/23 matches have to be conducted solely by International neutral referees.

### 7.1. Referees for the MBVCC

The matches of the MBVCC competitions shall be conducted by:

- International referees appearing on the CEV list, appointed by MEVZA Referee Coordinator
- International candidate referees appearing on the CEV list, appointed by MEVZA Referee Coordinator
- 2 line judges and scorer are required only for the semifinal and final matches, appointed by Local Organizer and must be present at the venue at latest 1 hour before the start of match

### 7.2. Referee Nominations

The referees for each Tournament will be appointed and nominated by MEVZA Refereeing commission (Refereeing coordinator – Mr. Anton Pevc).

The appointed referees must arrive to the venue at the latest one hour before the start of the match.

Information regarding the nominated referees and officials will be made available to the Organizer at the latest 7 days before the start of each Tournament.



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## 8. CLUB INSTRUCTIONS

### 8.1. General Composition of a Club

In any phase of the MBVCC, a Club can be composed of a maximum of 14 persons, i.e. 12 players and the 2 officials, where is mandatory:

- Min. 4 players
- 1 team manager

### 8.2. Qualification of players

Only players registered on the Club's collective MEVZA license, validated by MEVZA, can take part in MBVCC. Each of these players must fulfil the following conditions:

- He/she must possess only one national license valid exclusively for the respective Club and confirmed by National Federation
- Only players not suspended by CEV and/or FIVB are allowed to participate in the competition.

### 8.3. Licenses

1 Club can have max. 12 players on the license list. Each club has to provide a license list according to the respective national ranking.

### 8.4. Team lists for next game

The team list for the next game has to be given to MEVZA Supervisor 1 hour before the start of the game to register Team 1 and Team 2. The team list form will be provided to the clubs during the technical meeting.

### 8.5. Transportation and accommodation

All participating Clubs are responsible for their own international travel, local transportation and accommodation arrangement and expenses.

## 9. HYGIENE GUIDELINES

As a prevention of the coronavirus pandemic situation, all teams are requested to strictly follow the active and valid Hygiene Regulations of the hosting Organizing country, set up by



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respective local governmental institutions. Any possible amendments will be announced and published accordingly.

## 10. ADMINISTRATIVE DEADLINES

Item	Deadline	Action
Inscription deadline MBVCC M	10.02.2023.	MBVCC Application Form, dully filled and signed by the respective Club and NF to be sent to MEVZA Sport Director <a href="mailto:sportdirector@mevza.org">sportdirector@mevza.org</a> and <a href="mailto:beachreferat@volley.net">beachreferat@volley.net</a>
Inscription deadline MBVCC W	10.03.2023.	MBVCC Application Form, dully filled and signed by the respective Club and NF to be sent to MEVZA Sport Director <a href="mailto:sportdirector@mevza.org">sportdirector@mevza.org</a> and <a href="mailto:beachreferat@volley.net">beachreferat@volley.net</a>
Participation fee payment	Preliminary inquiry	All participating Clubs are obliged to pay the participating fee to organizer
Match calendar	One day before the tournament	Final Official Match Schedule (starting times of the matches) have to be sent to MEVZA Sport Director <a href="mailto:sportdirector@mevza.org">sportdirector@mevza.org</a> and made available and visible at the venue
Club Information	7 days before tournament	All participating Clubs are obliged to provide the following information to MEVZA Sport Director - Club logo (.jpg format) - Uniform colors (shirts and shorts); all sets
Player licenses	7 days before tournament	All participating clubs are obliged to register all potential players by applying for the player licenses by sending an email to <a href="mailto:sportdirector@mevza.org">sportdirector@mevza.org</a> and <a href="mailto:beachreferat@volley.net">beachreferat@volley.net</a>



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## 11. MBVCC RESPONSIBLE ORGANS AND PERSONS

### 11.1. MEVZA Executive Committee

The organization of the MBVCC competitions is entrusted to the Executive Committee, that:

- ratifies the regulations and possible modifications or amendments
- supervises the course of the competition
- makes the final decision on all appeals and protests as a last resort
- decides on any sanctions to be taken against Clubs or persons who have violated the current regulations

The Executive Committee consists of:

- the MEVZA president,
- the MEVZA vice-presidents.

### 11.2. MEVZA Sport Director

MEVZA Sport Director is responsible for the running of the competition.

### 11.3. MEVZA Beach volleyball Referee Coordinator

Beach volleyball Referee Coordinator is responsible for matters concerning referees, mainly but not limited to:

- Nomination and appointment of referees for matches in the Group Phase and Final Phase
- Assist the Sport Director in running of the competition

### 11.4. MEVZA Supervisor

The regularity and the smooth running of both the competition and the organization of the MBVCC 2022/23 shall be monitored by MEVZA Supervisor, to be appointed by MEVZA Sport Director. In particular, the Supervisor will be entrusted with the following tasks:

- final inspection of the sports infrastructure and the competition hall,



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- cross-checking of the players' qualification by means of the collective license issued by the MEVZA Office and the official identity documents provided by the players,
- ensuring that the matches are played in accordance with the FIVB and CEV rules of the game
- handle all complaints and protests
- supervise the performance of the officials
- vouch for the regular progress of the match(es) by appending his signature and indicating his function on the score sheet(s) and decide in case of a protest in first instance

## 11.5. MEL Responsible Persons' Contacts

Function	Name and Surname	E mail	Phone number
Sport director	Frane ŽANIĆ	<a href="mailto:sportdirector@mevza.org">sportdirector@mevza.org</a>	+385912446048
Referee coordinator	Anton PEVC	<a href="mailto:antonpevc@gmail.com">antonpevc@gmail.com</a>	+386 31 361 334
Beach coordinator	Florian SCHABBAUER	<a href="mailto:florian.schabbauer@volleynet.at">florian.schabbauer@volleynet.at</a>	+436644082182
MEVZA PR	Antonela PRIPUZ	<a href="mailto:pr@mevza.org">pr@mevza.org</a>	+385992043044

## 12. PROTESTS

Any protests regarding the running of a match or against the participation of a player or a Club, must be entered in the score sheet and signed by the team captain.

The protest must be confirmed within 2 hours after the match in written form, to MEVZA Supervisor present at the Venue. The protest must be written in English and confirmed by Team Manager of the protesting Club. At the same time an amount of 300,00 EUR must be paid to MEVZA Supervisor, otherwise the protest will not be considered. The MEVZA Sport Director makes the decision on the protests in the first instance, and MEVZA Excom makes the final decision.



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## 13. DISCIPLINARY SANCTIONS

### 13.1. Anti-sporting behavior

Any player or member of a delegation who commits disqualifying or anti-sporting faults is expelled from the playing-area for the duration of the match. If the fault is serious, the MEVZA Supervisor has the right to disqualify him/her from the entire competition. These sanctions do not take into consideration any sanctions which his/her own NF may also impose.

## 14. FINES AND TABLE OF FINANCIAL SANCTIONS

As a matter of principle, financial sanctions for a club or a player which are not foreseen in these regulations or laid down in the MBVCC Official Communications are the same as those in their own NFs in a similar case.

By signing and confirming the MBVCC 2022/23 Application Form, the Respective National Federation undertakes the responsibility of covering any potential Financial Sanctions imposed towards the Club, in case that the Club does not fulfill its obligation in this matter.

### 14.1. Withdrawal of a Club

Clubs withdrawing from the competition after the registration or during the Tournament will be inflicted fines as provided in the attached "Table of Financial Sanctions".

### 14.2. Non-respect of the MBVCC Regulations

For not respecting the official regulations, fines listed in the attached "Table of Financial Sanctions" will be imposed. Any modification of this list must be approved by the MEVZA Executive Committee.



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### 14.3. Table of Financial Sanctions

REFERENCE TO ART. No.		SANCTIONS
5.2.	Not branding the MBVCC competition with the MEVZA logo, per tournament	500,00 €
14.1.	Withdrawal after the registration	500,00 €
14.1.	Withdrawal during the tournament	1.000,00 €
14.1.	Missing one match	500 €

## 15. CASES NOT FORESEEN

All cases not foreseen in these Official Communications shall be settled by the Executive Committee after consultation with the MEVZA Sport Director.

## 16. VALIDITY OF REGULATIONS

All Regulations laid down in this document (MBVCC Official Communications) have been drafted, revised and confirmed by the MEVZA Executive Committee, and shall be valid throughout the competition season 2022/23.

After the publication of this Document, no additional changes to the MBVCC Regulations shall be possible.