



Technical Regulations Volleyball

Lodz, Poland

23 – 27 May 2016

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1. EVENTS

The volleyball competition for men and women will be conducted in a team tournament format from 23-28 May 2016.

2. PARTICIPANTS

2.1. Age Eligibility

The participants must be born after June 1, 1995 for U21 and after June 1, 1993 for U23 (only two (2) players U23 in each team can participate in the competitions).

2.2. Number of Teams

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 women's teams.

Men's Teams (4): Poland (host), Ukraine, Turkey, Russia.

Women's Teams (4): Poland (host), Ukraine, Russia, Italy.

2.3. Team composition

The team can play with players U21 and only with maximum 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.

2.4. Non-starting athletes

A fine of EURO €20 is levied on each non-starting athlete with the exception of those presenting a doctor's declaration that he/she should not be allowed to start.

3. REGISTRATION

3.1. Preliminary Registration

The preliminary registrations must be submitted to the EDSO Representative no later than **1 January 2016**.

3.2. Final Entry

The final entries must be submitted to the EDSO Representative no later than **20 January 2016**. 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 the EDSO Representative no later than **23 April 2016**. [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 Organisation

EDSO is responsible for the technical organization 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:

Alexander Romantsov	EDSO Volleyball Technical Director
Alexander Romantsov	EDSO Representative
Janusz Kolodziej	FIVB Chief Referee
Tomasz Romanowski	Polish Deaf Sports Association
Jaroslaw Janiec	Polish Deaf Sports Association

4.2.2 Protest Committee:

The Championship Protest Committee shall consist of:

Alexander Romantsov	EDSO Volleyball Technical Director
Janusz Kolodziej	FIVB Chief Referee
Tomasz Wlodarczyk	FIVB Representative

4.3. Competition Rules

The Volleyball competitions will be conducted in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the FIVB (version 2015-2016) approved by FIVB Congress 2014. 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 front and on 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 draw for teams participating in the men's and women's tournament took place on 8 February 2016 in Lodz.

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, quarterfinals, semi-finals, finals and classification matches.

4.7.1. Preliminary Round

Men: The participating (4) teams play with each other. (Round-robin tournament).

Women: The participating (4) teams play with each other. (Round-robin tournament).

4.7.2. Semi-finals

The four (4) winners of the quarterfinals will then advance to the semi-finals. The format will be as follows:

Winner of A1 vs A4.

Winner of A2 vs A3

4.7.3. Finals

Two (2) losers of the semi-finals will play the bronze medal match to determine the bronze medal and the fourth (4th) place.

Two (2) winners of the semi-finals will play the gold medal match to determine the gold and silver medals.

4.7.4. Pool Rankings

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

Match won	3-0; 3-1	3 points
Match won	3-2	2 points
Match lost	2-3	1 point
Match lost	1-3; 0-3	0 point
Match forfeited		0 point (25-0; 25-0; 25-0)

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.

4.8.1. 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 EC have begun or is disqualified during the pool matches, the pool must continue without this team or a replacement. 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 MOSIR Malachowskiego, Lodz.

5.1.1 Courts

There will be 1 court in each hall, both halls are close together.

5.1.2. Flooring

The competition court surface is Gerflor Taraflex ® Sport M Plus.

5.2. Training Venue

The training venue is the same as the competition venue.

6. SCHEDULE

6.1 Competition Schedule

Refer to the competition schedule on the hosting competitions website
www.U21edvc2016.pl

6.2. Training Schedule

Refer to the training schedule on the hosting competitions website
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Training is to take place May 21 or 22 to May 27 2016.

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

6.3 Technical Meeting

6.3.1 Date and Location

The first Technical Meeting will be held on **22 May 2016** at 18:00 at the IBIS Hotel conference room.

The second Technical Meeting will be held 2 at **26 May 2016 at 20:00 or 21:00** at the IBIS Hotel conference room.

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 offending player shall be disqualified for the remainder of the competition; the offending team shall be subjected to a penalty and the match result shall stand. If more than one team member in a team sport is found to have committed an audiogram rule violation at any time during the competition, the team may be subject to disqualification and/or other disciplinary action.

Refer to [Audiogram Regulations](#), *Article 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 €50 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 €50 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 Sports Hall MOSiR, str. Malachowskiego 5/7 in Lodz 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 Officer 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.