

2019 FIVB Beach Volleyball Tokyo 2020 Qualification Tournaments

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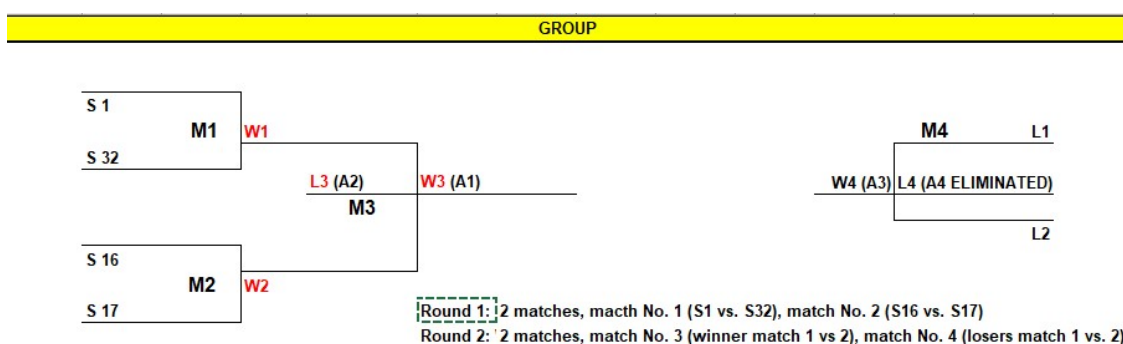
1. Competition Format

The total number of teams participating is 16 per gender, including the host NF. There is no Qualification tournament.

The competition format is as follows:

1.1 First phase:

Four (4) pools (A to D) of four (4) teams each playing modified Pool Play format as below (a total of sixteen (16) matches per gender).



Top three (3) ranked teams from each pool will advance to the second phase (a total of twelve (12) teams per gender).

1.2 Second phase

Four (4) pools (E to H) of three (3) teams each playing standard round robin format (a total of twelve (12) matches per gender).

Top two (2) ranked teams from each pool will advance to the third phase (a total of eight (8) teams).

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In case of a tie in the total number of match points (as per total number of matches wins and losses) after the completion of pool play, the following rules will apply:

Between three (3) teams:

- The ranking is determined by the rally point ratio in the matches between the three (3) tied teams;
- If still tied, then the teams still tied are determined by the set point ratio in the matches between the three teams;
- If still tied, then the team with highest tournament seeding points established and confirmed at the Technical Meeting will be ranked higher (i.e. Seed 1 is ranked higher than seed #9).

1.3 Third phase

Two (2) pools (I & J) of four (4) teams each playing standard round robin format (total of twelve (12) matches).

The top two (2) ranked teams from each pool (I & J) will advance to the Final phase.

In case of a tie in the total number of match points after the completion of pool play, the following rules will apply:

Between two (2) teams:

- The team with higher rally point ratio in the matches between all teams in the pool, is ranked higher;
- If still tied, then the winner of head-to-head match is ranked higher.

Between three (3) teams:

- The ranking is determined by the rally point ratio in the matches between the three (3) tied teams;
- If still tied, then the teams still tied are ranked by the rally point ratios between all teams in the pool;
- If still tied, then the team with highest tournament seeding points established and confirmed at the Technical Meeting will be ranked higher (i.e. Seed 1 is ranked higher than seed #9).

1.4 Final phase

The first ranked team from each pool playing against the second ranked team from the other pool.

- Best ranked team in Pool I vs. 2nd best ranked team in Pool J
- Best ranked team in Pool J vs. 2nd best ranked team in Pool I

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Two (2) winners of the above matches will get the quota place for its NOC / NF to the 2020 Summer Olympic Games in Tokyo, providing meeting the Athlete's Eligibility requirements stipulated by IOC in the qualification system.

2. Participating Teams

The following teams are registered in the tournament as of 15th August 2019.

The team list is updated constantly in the FIVB website following any potential withdrawal/change of player:

Link for Men's list: <http://beachvolleyball.ioqt.2019.fivb.com/en/men/teams>

Link for Women's list: <http://beachvolleyball.ioqt.2019.fivb.com/en/women/teams>

Men's		
Rank	NF	Team
Host	CHN	P. Gao / Y. Li
1	NOR	Berntsen / Mol, H.
2	RUS	Semenov / Leshukov
3	POL	Bryl / Losiak
4	QAT	Ahmed / Cherif
5	NED	Brouwer / Meeuwsen
6	GER	Thole, J. / Wickler
7	BRA	Andre / George
8	ITA	Nicolai / Lupo
9	ESP	Herrera / Gavira
10	LAT	Plavins / Tocs
11	CZE	Perusic / Schweiner
12	CHI	Grimalt M. / Grimalt E.
13	CAN	Pedlow / Schachter
14	AUT	Seidl Rob. / Waller
15	SUI	Gerson / Heidrich

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Women's		
Rank	NF	Team
Host	CHN	Wang / X. Y. Xia
1	BRA	Angela / Carol Horta
2	CAN	Bansley / Brandie
3	AUS	Clancy / Artacho Del Solar
4	NED	Keizer / Meppelink
5	SUI	Heidrich / Verge-Depre, A.
6	ITA	Menegatti / Orsi Toth
7	RUS	Makroguzova / Kholomina
8	CZE	Slukova / Hermannova
9	ESP	Liliana / Elsa
10	LAT	Graudina / Kravcenoka
*11	POL	Wojtasik/Kociolek
12	FIN	Lahti / Parkkinen
13	GER	Ittlinger / Laboureur
14	JPN	Ishii / Murakami
15	AUT	Schutzenhofer / Plesiutschnig

***Due to the withdrawal from Slovakia from the women's event, the next eligible National Federation team from Poland has been added to the event (point 3.6).**

Note:

In case there is any withdrawal or replacement, please follow the regulations as per the Official Communication No.1 circulated on 6th December 2018 ([LINK](#)).

3. Tournament Seeding and Drawing of Lots

3.1 Tournament Seeding

As regulations announced at the Official Communication No.1 circulated on 6th December 2018 ([LINK](#)), the seeding of each team is based on the FIVB Beach Volleyball World Ranking (as of 16th July 2019), with exception of the host country (Seed #1). The points obtained by the best ranked team of each NF in the FIVB Beach Volleyball World Ranking list (as of 16th July 2019) will be used as the seeding points for their NFs in the tournament.

You can access the full list of World Ranking as of 16th July at the following link:

- Men: http://www.fivb.org/EN/BeachVolleyball/WRanking_M_20190716.asp
- Women: http://www.fivb.org/EN/BeachVolleyball/WRanking_W_20190716.asp

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The seeding of the 2019 FIVB Beach Volleyball Olympic Qualification tournament is as follows:

Men's				
Rank	NF	Seeding Points	1st Tie breaker	2nd Tie breaker
1	NOR	7600		
2	RUS	6160		
3	POL	5600		
4	QAT	5120		
5	NED	4800		
6	GER	4640	4640	4900
7	BRA	4640	4640	4640
8	ITA	4440		
9	ESP	4400		
10	LAT	4340		
11	CZE	4160	4180	4840
12	CHI	4160	3640	6140
13	CAN	3940		
14	AUT	3880		
15	SUI	3520		
16	CHN	2900 (Host)		

Women's				
Rank	NF	Seeding Points	1st Tie breaker	2nd Tie breaker
1	BRA	6040		
2	CAN	5760		
3	AUS	5640		
4	NED	5000		
5	SUI	4900		
6	ITA	4340		
7	RUS	4240	4240	5280
8	CZE	4240	3160	4240
9	ESP	3740		
10	LAT	3720	3720	5014
11	SVK	3720	3640	4900
12	FIN	3620		
13	GER	3480		
14	CHN	3460 (Host)		

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15	JPN	3240		
16	AUT	3120		

***Note:** Please refer to point 16 of Sports Regulation for details on tie-breaker of World Ranking.

3.2 Seeding of First Phase:

- Seed #1: Host Country team.
- Seed #2 to #16: As per the seeding points defined above and teams will be placed following the serpentine system divided into four (4) pools of four (4) teams as per the table below.

First Phase Men			
Group A	Group B	Group C	Group D
4 Teams	4 Teams	4 Teams	4 Teams
Host (CHN)	NOR	RUS	POL
BRA	GER	NED	QAT
ITA	ESP	LAT	CZE
SUI	AUT	CAN	CHI

First Phase Women			
Group A	Group B	Group C	Group D
4 Teams	4 Teams	4 Teams	4 Teams
Host (CHN)	BRA	CAN	AUS
RUS	ITA	SUI	NED
CZE	ESP	LAT	POL
AUT	JPN	GER	FIN

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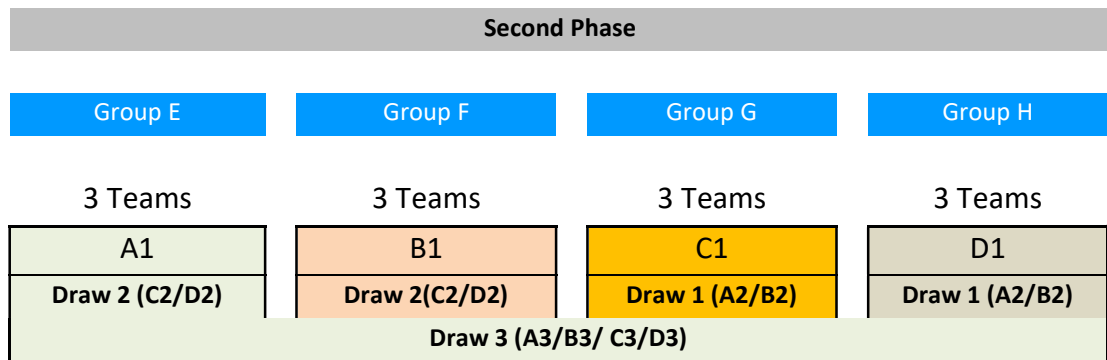
3.3 Seeding and Drawing of lots for the Second Phase:

- The first ranked teams of each pool of the first phase will be automatically placed in the first position of each of the pools of the second phase (A1 to E; B1 to F; C1 to G and D1 to H) in the order of the table below.
- Draw 1: The Second ranked teams of pools A and B will be drawn for pools G and H.

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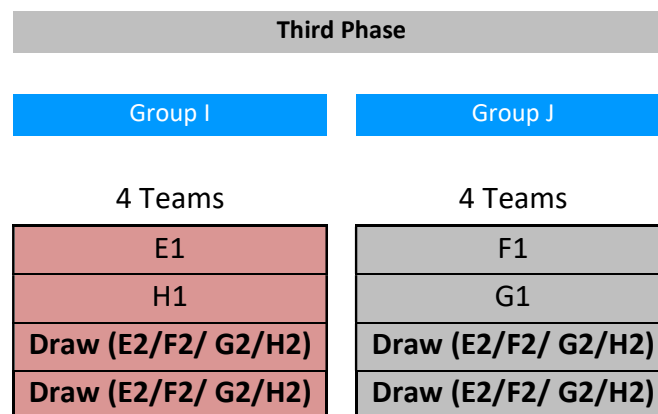
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- Draw 2: The Second ranked teams of pools C and D will be drawn for pools E and F.
- Draw 3: The Third ranked teams of pools A, B, C and D will be drawn for pools E, F, G and H.
- Teams who played each other in first phase will not be drawn into the same group of second phase. However, teams from same pool may be drawn into the same group of second phase if they haven't played each other in the first phase.



3.4 Seeding and Drawing of lots for third Phase:

- The first ranked teams of pool E and H will be placed in pool I;
- The first ranked teams of pool F and G will be placed in pool J;
- The second ranked teams from pool E, F, G and H will be drawn for the four (4) remaining spots in pool I and J, following the serpentine system; however, teams from the same group of second phase **may** be placed in the same pool of third phase.



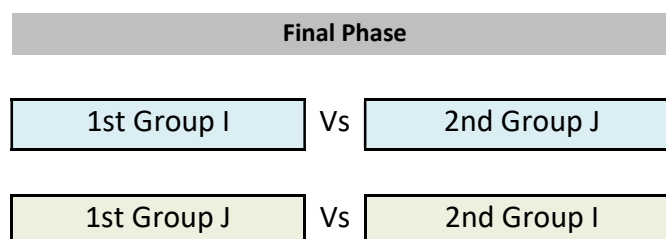
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3.5 Seeding of final Phase:

The first ranked teams from pool I will play the second ranked team from pool J.

The first ranked teams from pool J will play the second ranked team from pool I.



*The daily match schedule will be confirmed and announced the day before each phase, taking into consideration the TV requests.

*Based on the TV request, the order of the matches may be switched, upon the approval from the FIVB Technical Delegate of the event.

Replacement, Withdrawal and Reallocation

3.6 Replacement of Athletes

As per the Official Communication No.1 circulated on 6th of December 2018 ([LINK](#)), please note that:

After the announcement of tournament seeding for the first phase: The National Federation may replace an athlete or both athletes from a team through the VIS, in case of injury/medial reason or force majeure case through the Withdrawal request form (BVB-03 form) with the valid medical certificate. In addition, a valid proof of travel (issued flight ticket, etc.) must be provided.

All documents must be sent to the FIVB.

3.7 Withdrawal and Reallocation

As per the Official Communication No.1 circulated on 6th of December 2018 ([LINK](#)), please note that:

After the announcement of tournament seeding for the first phase: The National Federation may withdraw its team from the tournament, in case of injury/medial reason or force majeure case through the Withdrawal request form (BVB-03 form) with the valid medical certificate and flight ticket. In such case, such quota place will be reallocated to the NF of the next highest ranked eligible team as per the FIVB Beach Volleyball World Ranking (as of 16th July 2019). However, the seeding for the first phase will not be changed, and the vacant position will be taken up by the new team obtaining the reallocated quota place.

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Last minute withdrawal: In case the National Federation has to withdraw its team from the tournament in the last minute, due to onsite injury/medical reason or force majeure case during the travel, and reallocation of such quota place can't be implemented due to short notice or visa problem, the team concerned will be treated as forfeit from the tournament with no replacement team.

The FIVB reserves the right to apply the fine and sanctions towards the Last-Minute Withdrawals as it sees fit. The evaluation of the fines and sanctions will be on a case by-case scenario.

4. Update of Practical Information

4.6 Transportation

The official airport is Qingdao International Airport (TAO)

Each participating team is responsible for their own international travel to and from the event.

The organizer will provide local transportation, to and from the official airport and hotel, as well as between the venue and hotel for both players of participating teams.

For the team officials, the transportation from and to the Airport will be free of charge if there are seats available in the vehicle in priority that players get to go at first.

Otherwise, if the Team officials require a private transfer service, he or she will be charged according to the following table:

Private car service from Qingdao Liuting International Airport to Shenglong Jianguo Hotel (Event Hotel) organized by the LOC	USD 50 for a 5-seat car per shift
	USD 80 for a 7-seat car per shift
	USD 100 for mini bus per shift

Local Taxi service (reference only)	Approx. USD 55 per taxi Qingdao Liuting International Airport to Shenglong Jianguo Hotel (Event Hotel)
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For arrangement of the pickup from the airport, please provide the travel ([BVB/31](#) and [BVB/31b](#)) forms by **18:00 (Swiss time) Friday, September 13th 2019** to the below contact and with copy to worldtour@fivb.org :

Ms. Rachel Yin

Mobile : +86 15062996867

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4.7 Board and Lodging

The Official Hotel is Shenglong Jianguo Hotel.

Address: NO.187 Haibin Zhong Road, Haiyang, 265110, China

Phone: +86 535 350 7888

The organizer will provide hotel accommodation and meals for all participating teams (players only), starting from dinner on **September 16th** to the next morning after the team is eliminated.

For the team officials, they can request a reservation in the same hotel, as well as boarding, following the table below with the special rate below:

Room type	Cost
Double Room & meals (3 meals)	USD 100 per person per day
Single Room & meals (3 meals)	USD 140 per person per day

For any inquiries, please contact:

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4.8 Visa

All participating teams and their accompanying officials and coaches are recommended to apply early enough for visa to China, whenever needed and are responsible for the cost related.

It is necessary to send your **scan copy of passport** and contact as soon as possible the below contact for the customized invitation letter.

Contact person the athletes, coaches and referees for Invitation Letter (VISA):

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4.9 Other contacts

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