



SPECIFIC COMPETITION REGULATIONS

1. ORGANISER

The Volleyball Federation of Slovenia has been entrusted with the organisation of the 2021 SLOVENIA OPEN BEACH PARAVOLLEY - MEN & WOMEN (Standing and Sitting).

This competition will also be part of the CEV Beach Volleyball Tour.

The tournament will be held between Tuesday 27th and Thursday 29th July 2021.

This Tournament is a 3-star Beach ParaVolley event.

2. COMPETITION CALENDAR

Sunday 25th July	Latest arrival of PVE Tournament Officials	Classifiers, TD
Sunday 25th July	Latest arrival of teams with players for classification	PVE
Monday 26th July	Latest arrival of teams and ITOs/LTOs (*)	Organiser/PVE
Monday 26 th July	Classification	PVE
Monday 26th July (PM)	Preliminary Inquiry/Technical Meeting	Organiser/PVE
Tuesday 27th July	Competition	Organiser/PVE
Wednesday 28th July	Competition	Organiser/PVE
Thursday 29th July	Competition, Finals, Awards Ceremony	Organiser/PVE
Friday 30th July	Departure	Organiser/PVE

() Any team wishing to arrive later than the Arrival Day MUST have prior written permission from LOC and PVE Technical Director.*



3. HOST CITY, HALLS AND COMPETITION ROUNDS

1. City:

The Tournament will be held in Ljubljana (SLO).

2. Competition Courts:

The beach courts for the preliminary and qualification matches will be in Ljubljana (SLO). There will be both indoor and outdoor courts.

The matches on the final day are earmarked to be played on the beach court set up in Kongresni trg (Congress Square) in the centre of Ljubljana.

3. City of arrival and departure (Airport)

The city of arrival and departure will be Ljubljana (SLO).

4. PARTICIPATING TEAMS

1. The Tournament is open to the teams of those National Associations /Federations that are affiliated to PVE and respect their obligations and financial responsibilities with regard to PVE. They must have sent as well to PVE the Beach Teams Entry Form to register for the 2021 SLOVENIA OPEN BEACH PARAVOLLEY - MEN & WOMEN according to the PVE Regulations.
2. The tournament is also open to non-PVE National Associations/Federations, as long as these are in "good standing order" with WPV and their respective Zonal Federation. They must have sent as well to PVE the Beach Teams Entry Form for the 2021 SLOVENIA OPEN BEACH PARAVOLLEY - MEN & WOMEN according to the PVE Regulations.
3. National Federations/Associations and other entities who are not, as yet, WPV members, are also encouraged to apply.
4. The players must have the nationality of the country they represent, justifying it with a passport.
5. Naturalised players must have been proven resident in the country of their new nationality (passport required) ensuring that they have not been playing for at least two years for the national team of their former country of residence (up to the team arrival day of the competition).
6. Once the passports have been checked and accepted by the PVE Technical Delegate, the Organiser shall allow the team entrance to the tournament issuing the appropriate Accreditation card.
7. A total of **20 teams** will be accepted per event.
8. A National Association/Federation can enter a maximum of 1 team per event, except the host nation which can enter 2 teams per event.



9. If a National Association/Federation would like to enter more teams than the maximum indicated, these teams need to be registered on the Beach Teams Entry Form and will be then placed on a waiting list. Entries from this waiting list will be allocated according to available slots.
10. Allocations will be given on a first come first served basis. PVE will try to allocate slots so that all National Associations/Federations showing interest to participate are given at least one slot per gender.
11. If a National Association/Federation withdraws any or all its teams from the competition after being drawn to the Pool Groups, then the PVE Sports Department will decide how the Pool will be organised.

5. EVENTS, ENTRIES, TEAM INFORMATION, FEE

1. Four separate events will be held during the 2021 SLOVENIA OPEN BEACH PARAVOLLEY - MEN & WOMEN. These will be:
 - Women's Beach ParaVolley (Standing)
 - Men's Beach ParaVolley (Standing)
 - Women's Sitting Beach Volleyball
 - Men's Sitting Beach Volleyball

It is also possible for competing teams to take part in both the Standing and Sitting events.

2. Each National Association/Federation must send its Beach Teams Entry Form and the Beach Teams Registration Form to PVE to officially confirm its participation in the Tournament. All forms are to be sent to beach@paravolley.eu
3. An entry fee is required. The registration fee for participating teams is **€400.00** per team for teams taking part in one event only. Teams taking part in two events (Standing & Sitting) will pay a registration fee of **€600.00**.

6. COMPETITION SYSTEM

The competition system for each of the events in the Tournament is as follows:

1. The teams entered in each event will be drawn by lots in different groups. There will be no seeded teams.
2. Each group will be made up of a maximum of 6 teams. The organisers will try to ensure that teams coming from the same country are kept separate for the group matches.
3. These preliminary pools will be played on a round robin basis. Matches from these pools will be played on the first two days of the tournament. Matches



might be played either indoor or outdoor. Points will be awarded as follows:

- a. 2 points for a win
 - b. 1 point for a loss
4. The rest of the competition system will be decided according to the number of teams taking part.
 5. The final information about the number of groups for each event, the teams in each group, as well as the rest of the competition system will be published by the organisers following the submission of the Beach Teams Entry Forms.

7. DRAWING OF LOTS AND DISTRIBUTION OF TEAMS

The drawing of lots and distribution of teams will be done by the LOC, observed by the PVE Sport Department by **6th June 2021**.

The PVE Sports Department reserves the right to propose the structure of the competition rounds/pools after the Beach Teams Entry Forms are received, and with a maximum of 6 teams per pool.

8. ORDER OF MATCHES AND ORGANISER'S RIGHTS

1. The order of matches is assigned by the PVE Sports Department.
2. The Organiser has the right to choose the first opponent in the pool/phase, after which the order of the matches will follow according to how the teams have been drawn by lots.
3. The daily timetable of matches is fixed by PVE considering a proposal by the Organiser in agreement with (local TV and) public needs.
4. The Organiser has the right to change the timetable and order of matches for TV broadcasting reasons only, with the approval of the PVE Delegate. Each team must be informed of the timetable changes at least 24 hours before the match.

9. CLASSIFICATION OF TEAMS

1. Ranking after Pool stages will be decided as follows:
 - 1.1. Matches Won
 - 1.2. Set Quotient
 - 1.3. Points Quotient
 - 1.4. Matches between the teams.
2. In the case of a tie between two teams:
 - 2.1. Sets quotient: in the case of equality in the number of matches won and lost



by two teams, the teams will be classified in descending order by the quotient resulting from the division of the number of all sets won by the number of all sets lost.

- 2.2. Points quotient: in the case of equality in the number of sets gained and lost by two tied teams, they will be classified in descending order by the quotient resulting from the division of all points scored by the total of all points lost during all sets.
- 2.3. If the tie continues as per the point's quotient between the two teams, the ranking priority will be given to the team that won the last match between them.
3. In the case of a tie between three or more teams:
 - 3.1. When the tie in matches won, sets and points quotients is between three or more teams, a new classification of these teams will be made taking into consideration only the matches in which they were opposed to each other.
4. If a team voluntarily declares its forfeit during a match, it will be excluded from the competition and all the results of the matches it has already played during the respective round will be nullified. The National Association/Federation will be sanctioned by the PVE.

10. CONDUCTING OF THE COMPETITIONS

1. The PVE Technical Delegate appointed by the PVE Sports Department will conduct the Competition.
2. A sufficient number of WPV Referees will officiate in the Tournament. A number of NTOs will also be officiating the matches.
3. The Competition ends with the confirmation of participating team rankings.
4. Participating teams shall be awarded PVE Ranking points according to the PVE Beach Volleyball ranking awarding scheme (see the Table underneath)

Rankings PVE Beach ParaVolley (both Sitting and Standing)	PVE ranking points (per player)
1st	200
2nd	180
3rd	162
4th	146



5th	131
7th	118
9th	106
13th	96
17th	86
21st	77

11. MEDICAL SERVICES AND CONTROL

1. All players must present a classification certificate issued by the competent authority.
2. The Organiser will provide first aid medical treatment only. The team concerned will pay hospitalisation costs.
3. All team delegations are recommended to take out their own liability, medical and accident insurance, even those with EHIC cards. It is strongly recommended that all participants bring their EHIC. Those from outside the EU should ensure they have medical insurance.

12. OFFICIAL VOLLEYBALL RULES

1. The competition shall be played in accordance with the WPV Beach ParaVolley Rules 2019-2020 (please find link here) and the 2013-2016 World ParaVolley Beach Rules Sitting (please find link here).
2. PVE would like to inform the participating teams that the following rules will be adopted for this tournament:
 - 2.1. Beach ParaVolley (Standing)
 - Teams will be allowed to register four players per team, however only 3 players can be on the court at any one time. A maximum of 1 (one) VS2 player is allowed in the team.
 - In each set, the replacement player may enter the game in place of one of the players of the starting line-up, and he/she can only be replaced by the same starting player. The maximum number of substitutions per team per set is 2.
 - In the case of injury/illness to one of the players on court, that player should be substituted legally. If this is not possible, then the team will be entitled to make an exceptional substitution.



- Each team will be allowed to have a coach. Coaches will be allowed to sit on the Players' bench, but they are only allowed to communicate with the players during timeouts, between sets and between points. Coaches are allowed to change sides with the players.

2.2. Sitting Beach Volleyball

- The playing court is a rectangle measuring 4m X 8m, surrounded by a free zone. One playing side is 4m X 4m.
 - Teams will be allowed to register four players per team, however only 3 players can be on the court at any one time. A maximum of 1 (one) VS2 player is allowed in the team.
 - In each set, the replacement player may enter the game in place of one of the players of the starting line-up, and he/she can only be replaced by the same starting player. The maximum number of substitutions per team per set is 2.
 - In the case of injury/illness to one of the players on court, that player should be substituted legally. If this is not possible, then the team will be entitled to make an exceptional substitution.
 - Each team will be allowed to have a coach. Coaches will be allowed to sit on the Players' bench, but they are only allowed to communicate with the players during timeouts, between sets and between points. Coaches are allowed to change sides with the players.
3. All necessary interpretations will be made before the competition during the Technical Meetings.

13. UNIFORMS

1. The playing uniforms must be in conformity with WPV/PVE Regulations. Teams will not be allowed to play without a jersey/tank top.
2. Each team must have available at least two sets of playing uniforms of a different colour.
3. Players' jerseys/tank tops are to be numbered 1, 2, 3 and (4 – if teams have a substitute player). The players' numbers must be the same on all uniforms. Numbers are to be placed on the chest and must be of a contrasting colour to the jersey/tank top.
4. The playing uniforms of the team captain must be presented during the preliminary inquiry, along with the shorts.
5. The coach must wear appropriate sports attire.
6. Teams may apply for PVE authorization to wear publicity during the tournament. A fee can be fixed by the PVE.



14. COMPLAINTS

1. All complaints and protests must be presented in writing in English to the PVE Technical Delegate no later than 1 hour after the end of the match.
2. A deposit of € 250.00 must accompany complaints about the result of a match or protest.

15. SANCTIONS

1. If a National Association/Federation declares the non-participation of its duly registered team/s or simply does not send its team/s to participate in the Tournament, it will be sanctioned in accordance with the PVE Regulations and will be liable to a suspension.
2. Teams not presenting the samples of their uniforms as required for International Competitions will have to present uniforms or obtain new uniforms within 24 hours.
3. Uniform infringements on the court will be sanctioned with a fine of €10.00 per player. If the fine is not paid before the player's next match, the player will not play.
4. Players not complying with the Eligibility Rules defined in the WPV Sports Regulations for International Competitions or who do not present the Classification Card as required and refusing to undergo a medical examination will not be allowed to compete.
5. Misconduct during the competition: A team's voluntary withdrawal, despite its prior formal entry, will be fined by PVE and the team will be obliged to reimburse the Organiser with damages and expenses to the amount determined by the PVE Executive Board.
6. Voluntary forfeit of a team before or during a match entails its exclusion from the competition with the following consequences:
 - 6.1. from that moment the team must cover its own expenses
 - 6.2. damages and other sanctions may be decided by the PVE Executive Board

16. COMPOSITION OF THE DELEGATION

1. Each delegation will be composed as follows:
 - A maximum of 4 (four) players and 1 coach per team.
 - 1 head of delegation.
 - Up to two extra officials, including one journalist, may be added to the



delegation of a team on the condition that their expenses have been paid before the tournament.

2. Any changes in the players' list from the players submitted in the Beach Teams Registration Form can only be made after application to the Technical Delegate.

17. FINANCIAL CONDITIONS

- The expenses covered by the Organiser:
 - International and internal transportation from/to airport of arrival/departure and local transportation for ITOs.
 - Lodging including 3 meals per day from arrival to departure dates (see Article 2) for International Referee/s and PVE/WPV Officials according to the following minimal standard principles:
 - PVE/WPV Officials Single bedrooms
 - WPV Referees Single bedrooms
 - Lunch and Dinner from arrival to departure date (see Article 2) for each delegation.
 - Medicare: to be assured by the Organiser as regards First Aid. All participants should take out their own Medical Insurance.
 - Medical controls: to be carried out by the Organisers at their expense.

- Each delegation will take care of the following expenses:
 - International travel expenses to and from Organising Country for the delegation, including transfer costs from airport and back.
 - Accommodation - The LOC will be proposing a list of accommodation premises to choose from. Teams will be responsible for the booking of their accommodation for the duration of the tournament.
 - Medical insurance
 - Visas and any other related expenses
 - Team uniforms.
 - All extra people except the players, coaches and Head of Delegation must pay their expenses for hotel accommodation and meals.
 - Penalties incurred as per Articles 14 and 15.



18. UNFORESEEN ITEMS

With regards to specific items not expressly foreseen in the present regulations, reference is to be made to the general rules and guidelines contained in PVE Regulations.