



2021-2022 PVE Champions Cup

Men & Women

General Regulations

The PVE Champions Cup competition is reserved for the Men & Women National Champions from participating member nations. PVE Member Nations "in good standing" are eligible to apply for their National Champion club to participate in and host the PVE Champions Cup tournaments.

There will be two separate events, one for each gender. Member nations/national responsible bodies/clubs can apply to host either a men's or women's event separately or apply to host both genders together.

National Federations/Associations who are not WPV members in the European Zone are also encouraged to apply. PVE will contact these new members to discuss the process to become WPV members.

Conditions

Competition

Each Champions Cup is to be played over one weekend, the duration of which will depend on the number of teams taking part. It is envisaged that for this first season, 2021-2022, the number of clubs taking part will not require any qualifying rounds. A minimum of 3 club teams will be needed for the Champions Cup to be organised. The Champions Cups are to have been played no later than the end of April 2022.

A draft Competition weekend would be structured as follows:

<i>Friday by 12pm *</i>	<i>Latest arrival of PVE ITOs, Teams and NTOs</i>
<i>Friday morning/afternoon</i>	<i>Classification/Medical Consultancy Preliminary Inquiry</i>
<i>Friday afternoon</i>	<i>PVE Technical Meeting</i>
<i>Friday evening (if necessary),</i>	<i>Opening Ceremony</i>

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<i>Saturday & Sunday</i>	<i>Competition Days, Awards Ceremony</i>
<i>Sunday after 3pm/Monday</i>	<i>Departure Days</i>

**Should official classification be done, teams/players might need to arrive earlier than Friday.*

*The match schedule and hosts will be determined after the deadline for NFs/national responsible bodies to submit the **Club Teams Entry Forms** and the **Form F2 - Expression of Interest**, but no later than **31st December 2021**. The PVE Sports Department reserves the right to propose the structure of the competitions after the Club Teams Entry Forms have been received.*

*Club teams withdrawing after the match schedule has been issued will incur a PVE penalty fee of **€1,000.00** which will result in the member nation not being "in good standing" until the penalty fee is paid.*

Should no organisers be available for a particular tournament, PVE will issue another call for Hosts after 1st January 2022.

Teams Eligibility:

The club team is eligible to play if:

- *The **PVE Club Teams Entry Form** is submitted by the National Federation by **12th December 2021**.*
- *The **PVE Final Team Registration Form** is submitted by the club team by **31st December 2021**.*
- *The **PVE Final Team Registration Form (licence)** is approved by PVE Sport Department*
- *The **Club team registration fee** for the 2021-2022 season is paid by **15th January 2022**.*

The member nation/national responsible body has the right to prevent a club team from participating in the competition based on internal decision, and PVE shall accept the decision as final.

It is the national responsible body's decision which national scheme is to be used to decide which club team participates in the PVE Champions Cup.

Players' Eligibility:

- *Players can only be registered with **one club team** for the duration of the 2021-2022 European Sitting Volleyball Clubs' Competitions.*
- *Players cannot play with two different teams in two different competitions.*
- *Players who have already played with a club pertaining to another zone cannot take part as long as the player is still registered with the non-PVE club.*

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Sitting Volleyball Regulations:

The competitions shall be played in accordance with the 2022-2024 WPV Official Sitting Volleyball Rules.

However, the minimum number of VS1 players required per team will be as follows:

- In the Women's competition, a minimum of 2 VS1 classified players is required on court at all times.*
- In the Men's competition, a minimum of 3 VS1 classified players is required on court at all times.*
- If a team has a Libero the same requirement applies to the team.*

Classification:

It is recommended that all clubs contact the relevant National Federations/NPCs/national responsible bodies to upload the relevant medical documentation to the PVSAS database and for players to be approved for the official National competitions.

Medical documentation for new athletes must be uploaded as soon as possible in the PVSAS database. Since this documentation will also be used for other competitions, it is very important that all preparations for classification are finalised immediately.

Nations are required to send an email to classifiers@paravolley.eu and classification@worldparavolley.org once this procedure has been finalised for all athletes. All details regarding classification can be found at <https://www.worldparavolley.org/classification/>

*Should Classification during the tournament not be possible, PVE will work with WPV to offer the teams the opportunity of an online Medical Consultancy. This Medical Consultancy is **NOT** a classification, but a non-binding assessment based on the handbook related to the 2018 WPV classification. Athletes cannot derive any rights towards future classification decisions from this Medical Consultancy. This assessment will be used for eligibility to play in this tournament only.*

Online Medical Consultancies will be done during the week/s preceding the event. Athletes would need to be accompanied by the team doctor/coach/team leader for their appointment.

During the Champions Cup tournaments themselves, the PVE Medical Department and/or Technical Delegate reserve the right to confirm the players' class and status only by the medical documentation and "on sight" if there is evidence of a player's VS1 class. The class and status decided as such shall apply only to this competition.

Fees:

PVE Team Registrations for 2021-2022 Clubs Competitions:

Women's & Men's Champions Cup: €100.00 per participating team

PVE Player Registrations for 2021-2022 Clubs Competitions:

National Federations/Clubs are to register the players on the PVE IT system. The player registration fee is of €10.00 per participating player per year. The maximum number of players registered per club is 20 players.

PVE reserves the right to charge an administration fee of €50.00 per player should the NF/Club Admin not register the players correctly.

Fees to be collected by the host country/club (LOC):

- *Organisation/Administration fee*
- *Accommodation fee: should the guest club/s accept the host club team's accommodation costs*
- *Transport fee: Transport fees will be charged by the LOC if it needs to organise transport for club teams staying at alternative accommodation.*

Other Expenses:

- *Expenses related to international travel, medical insurance, visas, and team uniforms to be covered by the participating teams.*
- *Each participating team must bring along one WPV Referee (Level 2 or Level 3) or pay to the organisers for the cost of one local WPV Referee. Club teams are allowed to invite WPV Referees from their country of origin as long they pay for their travel costs, visas and medical insurance. The PVE Referee Commission would need to approve all the WPV Referees participating in the competition. This decision is to be communicated to the pool/round host team to plan for the sufficient number of domestic referees.*

Host Clubs Responsibilities

The host club shall have to cover the following:

- *International and local travel costs, full Board and Accommodation for each ITO nominated by PVE (at minimum 1 Technical Delegate, 1 neutral WPV Referee, Classifiers (if needed)). PVE will try to nominate ITOs from neighbouring countries to reduce costs.*
- *Local travel costs, full board and accommodation for all referees, including local referees*
- *Arrival arrangements for all*
- *Accommodation arrangements for all (guest club teams are allowed to find alternative accommodation on their own)*
- *Event Management*

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- *Competition*
- *Departure arrangements for all*
- *Awards costs (at a minimum a Trophy and medals for the first three classified teams).*
- *First Aid Medical Treatment at the Venue*
- *Water supply during matches and training sessions – an eco-friendly, sustainable method needs to be used instead of plastic water bottles.*
- *Promotion and publicity*
- *National Technical Officials such as Line Judges, Scorers (minimum 2 Line Judges are required for each match) as well as Court Assistants (Quick Moppers and Ball Retrievers)*
- *12 Molten balls*

More details about the host club responsibilities can be found in the Form N-2 Expression of Interest – Clubs 2021-2022.

Ranking Points:

The PVE Sport Department shall award club teams with ranking points as per the ranking points scheme for the Club competitions as described below:

Champions Cup	250
1st Place	
<i>2nd Place</i>	<i>225</i>
<i>3rd Place</i>	<i>203</i>
<i>4th Place</i>	<i>183</i>
<i>5th Place</i>	<i>165</i>
<i>6th Place</i>	<i>149</i>
<i>7th Place</i>	<i>135</i>
<i>8th Place</i>	<i>122</i>

Note: the PVE Champions Cup ranking points shall not be added to PVE Nations Ranking Points.

Education:

It is ParaVolley Europe's intention that tournaments held as part of the 2021-2022 European Sitting Volleyball Clubs' Competitions are also used for education purposes. Host NFs/Clubs may be asked to hold courses before or during the tournaments.

Covid-19:

PVE will take a decision as to whether each tournament is to take place or not at least 3 weeks prior to the tournament itself.

All participating athletes and officials might be asked to take a Covid-19 PCR test prior to departure from their home country. Only athletes and officials with a negative result will be allowed to gain access to the competition site.

Club teams will be allowed to change team members (officials and athletes) should any of these have a positive Covid-19 PCR test result.