

22nd Asian Women’s U20 Volleyball Championship
(Qualification Tournament for FIVB Volleyball Women’s U21 World Championship 2025)

COMPETITION REGULATIONS

1. INFORMATION OF THE ORGANIZER

- A. Volleyball Federation of China, affiliated to AVC, has been entrusted with the organization of 22nd Asian Women’s U20 Volleyball Championship on July 1 – 8, 2024.

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B. COMPETITION CALENDAR

Arrival of AVC officials and C/C members: June 28, 2024
Arrival of teams and accompanying referees: June 29, 2024
Competition days: July 1 – 8, 2024
Departure day: July 9, 2024
Arrival & departure airport: To be confirmed

C. HOST CITY and HALLS

City: TBD
Training Halls: 1. TBD
2. TBD
3. TBD
4. TBD

Competition Halls: 1. TBD
2. TBD

D. PREPARATORY REPORT and INSPECTION OF FACILITIES

- 1) The Organizer should present a visual (or a Word file) preparatory report (ppt or DVD) at the AVC BA meeting. The report should include a proof letter that guarantees the support of the Government authority.
- 2) AVC will decide whether an inspection visit is necessary.
- 3) If necessary, AVC will nominate a representative to the host city in order to inspect the accommodation, competition conditions and facilities at the Organizer’s expenses.
- 4) The Organizer has no right to change, without a prior approval of AVC, the competition facilities and hotels after the final inspection.
 - A. The host must report AVC HQ if a change is unavailable or inevitable. Otherwise, a sanction fee might be imposed.

2. TEAM ENTRY and THE LIMIT OF PARTICIPATING TEAMS

- 2.1 The number of entry is limited to a maximum of 16 teams in all AVC events.
- 2.2 No later than 15 January 2024, each member federation must send its official entry to AVC in order to confirm their intention of the participation.
- 2.3 Late entry before 31 January 2024 is possible with US\$500 fine.
- 2.4 No later than 2 February 2024, AVC will reconfirm the Number of National Entry.
- 2.5 The total of 16 teams in any AVC event will be selected by the followings:
- 1 team for the Organizer
 - 10 teams based on the rankings of the previous championship
 - 5 teams from each of 5 zones (with a qualification tournament if needed)
- 2.6 If there are more than 16 national entries, AVC will inform Zonal Vice Presidents to organize qualification tournaments to select a team to participate in the championship. If no qualification tournament will be conducted, the concerned Zonal Vice President has the right to choose the qualified team and inform AVC within 25 May 2024.
- 2.7 No later than 29 May 2024, AVC will reconfirm the total of participating teams.
- 2.8 Within 1 June 2024, all entry teams must send the O-2 form, two (2) personal photos of each member, a team photo, and a sports biography of the team to AVC and to the Organizer.
NFs may submit the O-2 form via online or submit by email. Please send a excel form of O-2 as well.
AVC will provide the Username and Password to all AVC NFs.
- 2.9 AVC will not accept the entry of the national federation who has NOT paid their penalty and/or sanction fees occurred in previous events. The concerned team must clear their unpaid fees before or deposit US US\$15,000 when they send the entry form to AVC in order for their entry to be accepted.
- 2.10 No later than 17 February 2024, all participating teams which confirm their entry forms must deposit US\$ 10,000/event for the partial payment and entry fee to AVC account according to the decision of General Assembly on September 22, 2022 in the Netherlands in order to secure and protect the host of the AVC championship.

3. PARTICIPATING TEAMS and PLAYERS

- 3.1 All AVC official Championships are open to the AVC affiliated federations that fulfilled their obligations and financial responsibilities with regard to the FIVB and AVC.
- 3.2 The hosting National Federation has only one entry in any AVC event in principle.
- 3.3 Teams must send the O-2 bis and photo of 3 sets of uniform jersey form to AVC 1 week before the starting date of the competition. A late submission of the O-2 bis form will be sanctioned (US \$500).
- 3.4 Change of the players:
- 3.5.1 In the O-2 Form (Maximum of 20 players)
Teams may request AVC to change up to two players registered on the O-2 form if it is due to medical reasons (with a proper and valid evidence) until 21 days before the starting day of the competition. This requested change will be subject to the final approval of AVC.
- 3.5.2 In the O-2bis Form
Teams may replace up to 2 players listed on the submitted O-2bis form before the competition starts, but must report it to the CC member at the Preliminary Inquiry

- for the approval. In this case, the new player(s) must have been listed on the O-2 form. No changes will be allowed after the commencement of the General Technical Meeting.
- 3.5 Neutralized players must have been proven residential status in the country or region of their new nationality for not less than two years (up to the opening day of the championship) from the date of issue of the official document granting the new citizenship.
- 3.6 Players must be born on or after January 1, 2005.
- 3.7 Asia U20 players who have already played Twice in the FIVB U21 Championship cannot play in AVC U20 Championship as it is a qualification event for the following year of FIVB U21 event. In principle, the players can participate in Asian U20 and FIVB U21 only twice.

4. COMPOSITION OF THE TEAM DELEGATION

- 4.1 **For Age-Group** events, a team can have a maximum 20 team members (12 players + 6 officials + 1 accompanying referee + 1 press **with a FIVB press ID or a local press ID with an official letter by NF written in English to confirm** his/her identification).
- 4.1.1 A maximum of 5 officials (head-coach + 4) listed on O-2bis can be chosen by the head-coach to sit on the bench, except for the team manager and press.
- 4.1.2 A maximum of 12 players and a maximum of 5 officials are allowed to come to the court (FOP area). All other extra team members should move directly to a designated area (team seats), not allowed to stay long on the court with their team.
- 4.1.3 The team manager can sit in the VIP area when their team plays a match, but NOT allowed to speak out (loudly) to deliver technical comments to the team.
- 4.1.4 There is NO sitting table, in principle, prepared for a team statistician on the court behind A-board around the court. The team statistician (if any) should go to a designated area and communicate with their team via internet (Wi-Fi) connections.
- 4.1.5 If a team medical doctor is NOT selected to be sitted on the bench by the head-coach, the team doctor is regarded as an extra team member and thus cannot be on the court when an official match protocol starts. The doctor should leave the court and must go to a designated area (team seat).
- 4.1.6 A team can have a maximum of 2 Libero and must designate the Libero(s) during the Preliminary Inquiry.
- 4.1.7 If a Libero is unable to play due to a medical reason (injury or illness) or a sanction (expelled or disqualified), the team (coach or captain) can request a replacement of Libero with a normal player whenever the team needs. Once a normal player is designated as a Libero, this player cannot come back again to become a normal player until the end of competition.
- 4.2 The number of team officials to be sited on the bench cannot be increased after the general technical meeting; the fewer team officials can be accepted.

4.3 The number of players on each team must have at least 9 players on the court in the competition. If the team has less than 9 players, the penalty of US\$ 2,000 per player will be imposed to the team.

4.4 For all AVC championships, each NF must nominate a minimum of three international referees or international candidate referees to AVC per event. The AVC RC will then propose to AVC the name of the referee selected as an accompany referee to attend to the event.

4.4.1 A team is obliged to put at least one female referee who is an international referee or an international candidate referee in the National Entry for a female competition of AVC events.

4.4.2 If there is no accompanying referee (international or candidate), penalties shall be incurred as per Article 19.4

4.5 Hotel and Room assignments

4.5.1 It is strongly recommended that the host should not have more than two hotels for AVC events. It is much preferred to have only ONE hotel whenever possible.

1) If the host prepares ONE hotel for both AVC officials and Team delegates, the host should assign the AVC officials (including referees) in a different building or sector or floors. If it is not possible to do so, then at least AVC officials should be assigned in the area being as much as apart from team delegations.

2) If the host prepares TWO hotels for the teams, it is strongly recommended that the host should select 2 hotels being close to each other with the same level (at least similar) of facilities and conditions for accommodation, especially for food.

3) AVC officials and referees must stay at the same hotel.

4.5.2 The host must prepare a maximum of 4 single rooms and a maximum of 8 doubles for a team, and the assignments of the rooms should be done by the following principles:

1) Team officials: 4 single rooms

- Team manager, Head-coach, Referee, and Press with ID.
- If a team press does not present a proper document (ID) during the Preliminary Inquiry, that person is regarded as an extra team member (a late submission of the document is not accepted).
- Coaching staffs: 2 double rooms for whom sit on the bench (even if there are only 3 coaching staffs, still 2 rooms are assigned)

2) Players: a maximum of 6 double rooms

- Even if there are only 11 players (odd number), still 6 rooms are assigned.

3) Extra officials (up to 2 people only): 1 double room.

- The host should not charge the cost of hotel more than twice of the partial payment / person / day.
- If the team wants to have single rooms for these extra officials, they should pay extra expenses negotiated with the host and the hotel.

4) Other extra team members: the host is NOT responsible for these people.

- It is up to the pre-arrangement between both parties.

5 DRAWING OF LOTS and COMPETITION SYSTEM

5.1 All AVC official competitions will be conducted by the AVC Control Committee under the leadership of the AVC President or his representative.

- 5.2 FIVB, International, and International Candidate referees accompanying with the teams and from the organizing country will officiate in the championship.
- 5.3 The Organizer should strictly follow the AVC competition guidelines and regulations.
- 5.4 The competition system is subject to the exact number of participating teams. AVC will forward to each participating federation a finalized competition system and competition calendar two months before the championship starts.
- 5.5 The drawing of lots will be conducted not less than 3 month of Competition Date or during AVC SEC meeting in February. The special function of drawing of lots can be conducted by the host with approval by AVC.
- 5.6 Within 10 days after the drawing of lots, the Organizer should prepare the timetable for daily matches according to the AVC competition format and submit it to AVC for approval.

6 ORDER OF MATCHES and ORGANIZER’S RIGHTS

- 6.5 The order of matches in the preliminary round is assigned (by Berger table) in accordance with the AVC competition format.
- 6.6 The seeding and grouping of the participating teams will be done in accordance with the results of the previous event based on serpentine system and drawing of lots.
- 6.7 The Organizer has the right to choose one match for each pool in the preliminary round if the pool is composed of not more than 4 teams. In case of 5 or 6 teams with a round robin system, the Organizer has the right to choose two matches.
- 6.8 The Organizer has the right to change the timetable and order of matches for TV broadcasting reasons with a prior approval of AVC Control Committee. Each team must be informed of the timetable changes at least one day before the match date. For Semi-final and Final round, the match schedule shall not be changed.

7. CLASSIFICATION OF TEAMS

According to the decision of AVC BA, the classification of teams in the competition will be considered by the following orders:

- 7.1 Number of Victories: The teams will be classified in descending order by the number of matches won.
- 7.2 In the case of equal matches won:
 - 7.2.1 The following points will be awarded per match to each team:

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

- 7.2.2 Set quotient. In the case of equality in the number of match points by two or more teams, they 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.

- 7.2.3 Points quotient. If the tie persists as per the set quotient (7.2.2) the teams will be classified in descending order by the quotient resulting from the division of all points scored by the total of points lost during all sets.
- 7.2.4 If the tie continues as per the point quotient (7.2.3) between two teams, the priority will be given to the team which won the last match between them. When the tie in point quotient is between three or more teams, a new classification of these teams in the terms of 7.2.1, 7.2.2, and 7.2.3 will be made by taking into consideration of only the matches in which they were opposed to each other.

8. UNIFORMS

- 8.1 The playing uniform must be in conformity with FIVB standards. Each team must have available three sets of playing uniforms of a different color. The players’ numbers on the uniform can be from 01-99 and must be the same as on the O-2, O-2bis form. Any improper use of uniform color shall get penalties. Details see Article 19.5.
 - 8.1.1. Socks are a part of uniform. All players must have the same color (and design) on the court.
 - 8.1.2. Undergarments (inner wear) must be the same (similar) color for all players.
 - 8.1.3. Compression pads (and protectors) for elbow and knee, neutral colors (black or white) are approved, but whichever color is chosen, it must be the same color for all players. If they are not the neutral colors, they are also required to be of the same color as the uniform for all players. No padding is allowed in the forearm compression pads, as it provides advantages to the players’ performances.
 - 8.1.4. If a player has ankle bracers or knee protection gears for a medical reason with a different color (i.e., grey or blue), should report it at the Preliminary Inquiry with photos (or to the Jury before the match).
- 8.2 The playing uniforms of the team captain must be presented during the Preliminary Inquiry.
- 8.3 The team officials on the bench, as approved at the Preliminary Inquiry, must confirm to either of the following dress code options (no shorts are allowed):
 - 8.3.1 All to wear their official warming up suit and polo shirt of the same color and style, or
 - 8.3.2 All to wear dress jacket, collared dress shirt, tie and formal slacks of the same color and style except the trainer who may wear the official warming up suit and polo shirt.
 - 8.3.3 For non-compliance of the dress code for a team official on the bench will not be allowed to sit on the team bench and must leave the competition control area and thus will have no further contact with the team until they respect the approved dress code.
- 8.4 The teams are allowed to have max 300 sq cm. publicity of main sponsor and max 100 sq cm publicity of minor Sponsor in front of the players' uniform and 50 sq cm. publicity of minor sponsor on both shoulders of the players' uniform. Any improper use of uniform color shall get penalties. Details see Article 19.5.

- 8.5 Team accompanying referees must bring their own AVC’s refereeing uniform.
- 8.6 Publicity on uniforms
 - 8.6.1 Advertising on team’s uniforms is subject to prior AVC approval at least four weeks before the start of the competition. An advertising Approval Certificate issued by AVC must be presented at the Preliminary Inquiry.
 - 8.6.2 For all under-age category events, the fee is not need

9. PRELIMINARY INQUIRY

- 9.1 Team delegations must arrive at least 48 hours before the start of the competition and be available for the Preliminary Inquiry.
- 9.2 Team manager (coach) and doctor must be present at the Preliminary Inquiry and must bring the following documents:
 - O2-bis form (a final list of 12 or 14 players chosen from the O-2 form)
 - Passports of all players
 - Players’ Transferred Certificates (If any)
 - Health Certificate for all players (M-3)
 - Journalist Accreditation
 - Samples of captain’s uniforms (3 colors)
- 9.3 The Preliminary Inquiry will be carried out in accordance with the FIVB General Regulations.
- 9.4 The team must pay the entry fee US\$900 and the partial payment to the Organizer in cash (or confirm if transferred by on-line) during the Preliminary Inquiry. If not, the team shall not be allowed to play in the championship until it is duly paid.

10. GENERAL TECHNICAL MEETING

- 10.1 Team manager head coach, and doctors (if any) must be present in the General Technical Meeting.
- 10.2 The General Technical Meeting will be carried out in accordance with the FIVB General Regulations.

11. OFFICIAL VOLLEYBALL RULES and BALLS

- 11.1 The competition shall be played in accordance with the FIVB Rules of the Game in force. All necessary interpretations will be made before the competition during the Refereeing Clinic and the General Technical Meeting.
- 11.2 The referee candidates should get the recognition and credit from AVC Referee Commission when they participate in any AVC championship as a referee.
- 11.3 The Championships will be played with the MIKASA Volleyball V 200W

12. TRAINING

- 12.1 The Organizer must prepare a training schedule in which each team is guaranteed the exclusive use of a training gym for 60 – 90 minutes per day.
- 12.2 Each team will have at least one hour training on each competition court before their first match.

- 12.3 Training schedule for the teams must consider the time schedule of the Preliminary Inquiry and the General Technical Meeting.

13. PRESS CONFERENCE

The head coach and team captain or the player requested by the press must be available for the press conference immediately after each match.

14. MEDICAL SERVICES and CONTROL

- 14.1 All players are obliged to present their health certificates (M-3 form), issued not more than two months before the competition by the competent authority in their country, which the health of the competitor and the understanding and agreement of the competitor in the FIVB Anti-Doping Rules are clearly stated. This health certificate must be countersigned by the doctor and the competitor who thus both take the responsibility for the validity of such certificate.
- 14.2 The Organizer is obliged to nominate a medical director in charge of all medical affairs during the championship.
- 14.3 Very well Organization before the event, the medical director appointed by the Organizer must contact with the AVC Secretariat and AVC Medical Delegate in charge of the event to report progression of preparations for the medical affairs including doping control testing. Following items should be included in the report.
- 14.3.1 Name of the doping control officers (DCO) who should be authorized by World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA).
- 14.3.2 Name list of doping control team headed by DCO accredited by WADA. The team should be consisted with two (minimum) chaperons and two (minimum) technicians to collect urine samples.
- 14.3.3 Name list of medical support team that should be consisted with sports physicians and other medical doctors, physiotherapists, registered nurses.
- 14.3.4 Name list of designated hospitals and clinics suitable for the event.
- 14.3.5 Photocopy of the contract between the Organizer and WADA Accredited Laboratory.
- 14.4 First aid and medical treatment will be provided by the Organizer under the control of the AVC Control Committee.
- 14.5 Doping Control shall be conducted in accordance with the FIVB Medical Regulations.
- 14.5.1 The Organizer is obliged to prepare doping control station, adequate number of the equipment, and personnel, according to the FIVB Medical Regulations and WADA Code.
- 14.5.2 The Organizer must be responsible to carry the collected and sealed samples to designated WADA accredited laboratory within due time according to the AVC requirements.
- 14.6 Referees’ medical check and alcohol test will be conducted by the local medical team nominated by the Organizer under control of the AVC Control Committee. The Organizer is obliged to prepare all equipments and official forms generated by the FIVB needed for the medical check according to the FIVB Medical Regulations.

14.7 The Organizer is requested to provide appropriate room, forms and equipment for the Medical Delegate Meeting that would be held after the General Technical Meeting or earlier upon request from the AVC Control Committee.

14.8 All team delegations are recommended to take out their own liability and medical insurance.

15. FINANCIAL CONDITIONS

15.1 Each delegation will take care of the following expenses:

15.1.1 US\$ 900 as a national entry fee.

15.1.2 Deposit 10,000 USD to AVC bank account for NFs who send entry form, if a team not paid the deposit in due time for the event, then the team will be eliminated from Drawing of lots of the championships. In case of the team withdraw from the championship 50% of the deposit will be shared by the host and AVC.

15.1.3 In case of the team withdrawal after Drawing of Lots in any circumstances,

15.1.3.1 The entry fee and the deposit will not be refunded.

15.1.3.2 The penalty fee, according to the Competition Regulations, will still be effective.

15.1.4 Airfares of the team to and from the scheduled international airport.

15.1.5 US\$ 60 per person per day for the partial payment for accommodation with full board. Payment should be made to the Organizer during the Preliminary Inquiry (or a wire – transfer).

15.1.6 Penalties incurred as per Article 19.

15.1.7 Full payment of accommodation with full board for extra persons, if any.

15.1.8 Extra luggage charge is to be covered by the team delegation.

15.1.9 Airport pick-up and departure for the whole team only, if any team delegates travel separately, the teams have to manage the transportation by themselves – the host can help, but not responsible.

15.1.10 Health Insurance, the organizer will take care only for the medical first aid

15.1.11 Any extra expenses not covered in the Organizers' commitments.

15.2 The expenses to be covered by the Organizer:

15.2.1 Accommodation with full board for the participating teams.

15.2.2 Accommodation with full board for the AVC Control Committee members, and other AVC officials nominated by AVC (all single rooms).

15.2.3 Internal transport from/to the scheduled international airport, and local transport.

15.2.4 Medical first aid.

15.2.5 Laundry of player's game uniform (competition day only: one pair of socks, shirt and short (women inner wears) worn during the match).

15.2.6 Laundry (2 pieces per day, but no jacket) for AVC officials and international referees during the competition period.

15.2.7 Prepare the demonstrative teams and personnel for theoretical and practical Refereeing Clinics according to the competition calendar.

15.2.8 Production of 19 ad-panels on the court (size: 1m high x 3.4 m long as one ad-panel). The Organizer must be in accordance with the contract of AVC and AVC official sponsors. If not, the Organizer shall be sanctioned or seriously reminded.

- 15.2.9 If the team delegation arrives one day earlier or leaves one day later than the schedule due to the lack of flight availability of the hosting city, the Organizer must not charge any extra costs, but partial payment.
- 15.2.10 Transportation
- 15.2.10.1. 1 Air Condition Bus for each Team.
- 15.2.10.2. 6 Mini Vans or Micro Buses for;
- 2 Mini Vans or Micro Buses for Technical Sub Committee and Referee Sub Committee:
 - 2 Mini Vans or Micro Buses for Referees:
 - 2 Mini Vans or Micro Buses for AVC Officials (VIS Delegate, Medical Delegate, Photographer, Press, and Video Challenge Operators).
- In case of 1 competition Gym, it will be reduced from 6 to 3 Mini Vans or Micro Buses.
- 15.2.10.3. 2 Cars for President of Control Committee and Technical Delegate.
- 15.2.10.4 The host should provide a team bus for the use of;
- a) competition,
 - b) training,
 - c) fitness training,
 - d) airport pick-up and departure for the whole team only, if any team delegates travel separately, the teams have to manage the transportation by themselves – the host can help, but not responsible
 - e) The transportation for strategic observation of opponent’s matches in the venue may be provided by the organizer at the appropriate time or using shuttle bus.
- 15.2.11 The 4 floor stickers (size 2.8 x 2.8 m. or 2.8 m. in diameter) of AVC sponsors will be on the right side and left side of the 1st referee's chair and behind of the end lines. The other 2 floor stickers (size 6.0 x 1.0 m) will be on both sides in front of team benches.
- 15.2.12 The host is NOT responsible for team’s snacks
- 15.2.13 The host is NOT responsible for extra internet connections (WiFi) or signals in the hotel nor in the venue during the championship.
- 15.2.14 Meals are provided with “international standards (buffet style)” and any extra can be done by teams themselves
- 15.2.15 If necessary, in case of COVID-19 outbreak, the tests will be done upon arrival (1st), before the competition day (2nd), during the competition (3rd), and the last test will be performed 72 hours prior to the departure to your country (4th).
- 15.3 AVC will cover the following expenses:
- 15.3.1 Airfare of the Control Committee members to and from the scheduled International Airport (economy class).
 - 15.3.2 US\$80 per diem, from the arrival day to the departure day of their duties for C/C members.
 - 15.3.3 Per diem US\$ 50 per day for accompanying referees.
 - 15.3.4 Doping test analysis at WADA-Accredited Laboratory.
 - 15.3.5 Any other expenses approved by the AVC Board of Administration.
- 15.4 The revenues of the Organizer:
- 15.4.1 100% of entry fees

- 15.4.2 100% of ticket sales
 - 15.4.3 100% of domestic TV rights
 - 15.4.4 AVC Subsidy according to the Organizational Conditions for AVC Volleyball Future Organizers, Section 3 Financial Conditions of the Organizer
 - 15.4.5 100% of merchandising rights
 - 15.4.6 7.5 ad-panels on the court (size: 1 m x 3.4 m) and 2 sticker logos (2.8 m x 2.8m or 2.8 m diameter), on the left side of referee's stand and behind the end line on the right side of referee's stand, with positions to be approved by AVC according to the Organizational Conditions for AVC Volleyball Future Organizers, Section 3 Financial Conditions of the Organizer.
- 15.5 The revenues of AVC
- 15.5.1 100% of international TV rights
 - 15.5.2 8.5 ad-panels of AVC Sponsor on the court (size: 1 m x 3.4 m), including 3 ad-panels for AVC Official Partner, and 2 sticker logos (2.8 m x 2.8 m or 2.8 m diameter), on the right side of referee's stand and behind the end line on the left side of referee's stand according to Ad-Panels Position and the other 2 floor stickers (size 6.0 m x 1.0 m) will be on both sides in front of team benches.

16. ADVERTISING BOARDS

- 16.1 The Organizer must strictly follow the guideline for the installation of advertising board as specified by FIVB and AVC.
- 16.2 The Organizer must send the layout of advertising panel and banners inside the competition hall to AVC for approval.
- 16.3 The layout of competition hall must be controlled by AVC Control Committee before and during the championship.
- 16.4 The Organizer should place the advertising boards around the playing area of the main court even if the Organizer does not have sponsors for the competition.

17. DAILY BULLETIN

Copies (e-mail) of a Daily Bulletin will be distributed by the Organizer to the AVC head coach, all participating teams, referees and AVC Control Committee members, from the day before the start of competition (i.e. at the General Technical Meeting) until the day after competition.

18. VIS-SYSTEM

The Organizer takes care of the results and statistics according to FIVB/AVC VIS-System.

19. SANCTIONS

- 19.1 Negligence in regard to the competition or late forwarding of the team entry and/ or O-2 Form and O-2 bis form: US\$500 fine.
- 19.2 No (or incomplete) forwarding of team and players photos, sports biographies, or payment of entry fee: US\$500 fine.
- 19.3 If the National Federation that made a national entry for the Championship happens to cancel its participation, the penalty will be imposed by AVC:
- 19.3.1 Seven days or less prior to the opening day of the Championship:
US\$20,000.
- 19.3.2 The National Federation will be invoiced to pay additional US\$10,000 (the amount after the deduction of the deposit from the penalty of US\$20,000).
- 19.4 If there is no accompanying referee included in the participating team, the penalties of US\$2,000 (Two Thousand US Dollar only) will be imposed on this team in order for AVC to nominate a neutral referee from nearby country to officiate the championship, except for those NFs who do not have an international referee or referee candidate.
- 19.5 The penalty of US\$500 will be imposed to a team which does NOT wear the assigned uniform colour as indicated on the O-1 Form until the official protocol of the match being started.
- 19.6 If the penalty fee is not paid, the National Federation will be suspended until payment has been made (transit period in one month after the invoice is issued).
- 19.7 The penalty fee should be paid by the National Federation involved to the AVC account.
- 19.8 If a participating team returns back to their home before finishing up all their matches without approval of AVC, this team should be sanctioned US\$2,000.
- 19.9 Players not complying with the Eligibility Rules defined by Article 5 of the FIVB General Regulations for International Competitions or who do not present the Health Certificate (M-3) as required in Article 14.1 of the same Regulations will not be allowed to compete in the championship.
- 19.10 Players who refuse to undergo doping control test will be automatically disqualified. The team concerned will lose the match to its opponent 0-3 (0-25, 0-25, 0-25).
- 19.11 Voluntary forfeit of a team before or during a match entails its exclusion from the Championship with the following consequences:
- 19.11.1 From the moment the team must cover its own expenses.
- 19.11.2 Damages and other sanctions may be decided by the AVC Board of Administration. All matches previously played will be declared forfeited 0-3 (0-25, 0-25, 0-25).

20. AWARDS

- 20.1 Trophies shall be awarded by AVC and the Organizer to the teams ranked 1st, 2nd and 3rd places in the Championship.
- 20.2 Trophies for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd winners must be prepared by the Organizer.
- 20.3 Medals shall be prepared by the Organizer, and to be awarded to the players of the teams finishing in 1st, 2nd and 3rd places (18-20 medals per team).
- 20.4 Should the third party (i.e., sponsor) wish to award additional prizes, must have the approval and permission of AVC Control Committee Chairman.
- 20.5 The individual awards shall include: one Most Valuable Player, two Best Outside Spikers, two Best Middle Blockers, one Best Opposite, one Best Setter and one

Best Libero. All individual awards shall be chosen within the top 4 teams and awarded by the criteria of the VIS statistical data, with a final decision to be made by the AVC Control Committee. And the MVP may be selected from the winner of the championship. The individual awards must be prepared by the Organizer.

21. COMPLAINTS

- 21.1 All complaints must be presented in writing by the team manager or head coach to the AVC Control Committee member on duty within 30 minutes after the match.
- 21.2 Complaints about the result of a match must be accompanied by a deposit of US\$300 cash (or the equivalent in local currency) for each complaint.

22. UNFORESEEN ITEMS

Any matters not mentioned in the present Regulations should be referenced to Sports regulations of FIVB/AVC and decided by the CC committee in consultation with AVC.
