



AVC BEACH VOLLEYBALL
CONTINENTAL CUP
SEMI-FINAL
NINGBO XIANGSHAN, CHINA

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Ningbo Xiangshan, China 16-18 June 2024

COMPETITION REGULATIONS

1. Invitation Letter, Visa & Entry Documents

ITEM	DETAILS
Invitation Letter	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Contact Person:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Name: Grace○ Email: 183098590@qq.com• It takes approximately 3 days to issue the invitation letter• Information required for the invitation letter:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Scanned copy of passports○ Name list (Including Full name, Gender, Date of Birth, Passport No., Nationality, Function in team)
Visa	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Participants are responsible for organizing their own Visa. See above information on the process to be followed to avoid issues upon arrival.
Entry Documents	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Please note that it is the responsibility of each participant to check and issue their entry documents (e.g. VISA) on time to participate in the event.
Insurance	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• It is mandatory that all athletes and officials have their own liability and medical insurance. The AVC and organizer will not be held responsible for any medical expenses incurred while competing in the tournament.

2. Event Info

Promoter: Jiangsu Yiming Sports Culture Communication Co., Ltd

National Federation: China Volleyball Association

Venue Information:

Address	Ningbo Banbianshan Beach Volleyball Centre	
Distance from hotel	10Kms	15 minutes by shuttle bus
Distance from airport	100Kms	1.5 hour by shuttle bus



Key contacts

Role	Name	Email Address
AVC Technical Delegate	Srinivasan JAYARAMAN	srini_beachrefree@yahoo.com
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3. Competition

Participating NFs

Men's (4 NFs)

- KAZ (2nd runner-up of Central Zone)
- OMA (1st runner-up of Western Zone)
- THA (1st runner-up of SEA Zone)
- SOL (2nd runner-up of Oceania Zone)

Women's (4 NFs)

- HKG (1st runner-up of Eastern Zone)
- INA (1st runner-up of SEA Zone)
- KGZ (1st runner-up of Central Zone)
- VAN (1st runner-up of Oceania Zone)

Team registration

- NFs must both register teams through FIVB Online Registration System at www.fivb.org/vis/ and submit the following documents to the organizer and AVC Beach Department within **26 May 2024**:
 - Entry form
 - Rooming list
 - Participants' passports

Organizer	183098590@qq.com
AVC Beach Volleyball Department	beachvolleyball@asianvolleyball.net
AVC HQ	avc.bk@asianvolleyball.net

IMPORTANT: Otherwise, the teams will not be eligible to participate in the event. If the federations have any problems in registering teams in VIS system, please contact AVC Beach Department for further assistance.

Player's eligibility

- Only athletes who have sent the AVC and the organizer the required forms and register in the VIS system will be considered eligible to take part in this event.
- As per the IOC Qualification system circulated in April 2022, an athlete can earn a maximum of one (1) quota place for his/her NOC/NF to the Olympic Games Paris 2024. Any athlete(s) already secured a quota place for their NOCs/NFs are not allowed to participate in any Phases, and therefore benefit their NFs.
- In case any NF that has already obtained maximum of two (2) quota places through other Olympic qualification pathways before the start of any Phases, will not be able to play in any Phases and shall be replaced by the next eligible NF from the concerned zone accordingly.



Competition format

- NF vs NF, 2 teams per NF per gender
Best out of 3 matches (Golden Match, if any)
- Single elimination format

Country entry:

- Each NF must enroll two (2) teams per gender (total 4 players) to be eligible to participate in the event.
- Each NF is also allowed to enroll up to 2 reserve players. The name and FIVB # of the reserve player shall be specified in the Entry Form. However, in the website registration, it should be registered as Team 3.
- During the Preliminary Inquiry, each NF shall confirm the final 4 players by its head of delegation or head coach, based on the team composition as shown in the entry form.
- The final list of team composition will be announced at the General Technical Meeting, with Team 1 with a higher sum of ranking points than Team 2.
- From the beginning of the General Technical Meeting, no change can be made to the team composition, even for medical reasons or force majeure. As we play the best of three matches, i.e. team 1 against team 1, team 2 against team 2, and the golden match can be played by any 2 of the 4 players from one NF. So, if one player is injured, subsequently they will forfeit the match, but the NF still have a chance in the golden match.

Entry & Seeding points

- The combined finishes (points) of all four players becomes the team ranking/seeding. Calculated by:
 - Each individual player's best finishes, in terms of ranking points, in FIVB sanctioned events within the last 365 days up to the day of General Technical Meeting. Maximum of 4 events.
 - Plus Each individual player's best finishes, in terms of ranking points, in AVC sanctioned events including Multi-sport and zonal/regional events within the last 365 days up to the day of General Technical Meeting. Maximum of 4 events.
 - Only 1 Multi sport or Zonal / Regional event to be included in total.
 - Only 1 AVC Championship event to be included in total.
- The sum points of "team 1" from each participating National Federation should be higher than "team 2". If equals, the head of delegation/captain of the country decides which team will be team 1.
- If the host country is among the Top #4 NF's present, the NF will receive Seed 1 otherwise it will be Seed 4. If there are 4 teams or less then the following will apply: If the host country team is among the Top #2 NF's present, the team will receive Seed 1 otherwise it will be Seed 2.
- In case of a tie, a drawing of lots will decide.

Confirmed Entry List

- Confirmed Entry with Team List to be sent by email and posted on AVC website: **27 May 2024**

Forfeit & Withdrawal

- Each NF is responsible for informing immediately both the AVC and organizers in case of forfeit of an enrolled team. Such withdrawal shall be sent to AVC and organizer at least 3 days before the tournament starts. In case of urgency, verbal communication to either AVC or its official on-site will be accepted.



Rules of the game & official ball

- As per FIVB Rules of the Game & Sports Regulations Mikasa BV-550C

Competition Schedule

11 Jun 2024	Arrival of AVC Technical Delegate
13 Jun 2024	Arrival of AVC Referee Delegate
14 Jun 2024	Official arrival date of participating teams / Teams practice up to each schedule / Preliminary Inquiry
15 Jun 2024	Preliminary Inquiry (con.) / General Technical Meeting
16-18 Jun 2024	Competition days
19 Jun 2024	Departure of teams
*Timetable for practice will be provided on-site. **Subject to change	

- Attendance to the Preliminary Inquiry and Technical Meeting is mandatory for both team athletes. Athletes must bring their uniform, including any headgear, armbands or other pieces of uniform intended to be used during matches for approval of the Technical Delegate. The detailed schedule is as follows:

Preliminary Inquiry	Date: 14-15 Jun 2024 Time: To be confirmed Location: Hotel
General Technical Meeting	Date: 15 Jun 2024 Time: To be confirmed Location: Hotel

Training

- Please note that official training starts as from 14-15 June
- Training session reservations can be made no more than 24 hours in advance.
- Each team is entitled to make one reservation per day (i.e. teams cannot reserve multiple training sessions for the week ahead).
- Additional training sessions may be possible only if the courts are available.
- Athletes must register in the training booking platform at least 24 hours before the intended training session.

Training courts address:	Ningbo Banbianshan Beach Volleyball Centre
Number of courts available for training:	4
Courts availability:	11 Jun 2024 onwards
Training booking platform:	Event Hotel Lobby
Contact person:	Mao Aiqin

Match schedule

- The detailed match-up schedule will be confirmed after the completion of the General Technical Meeting.



Mixed Zones and Press Conferences

- Athletes may be asked to attend mixed zone interviews after each match, while still in competition uniform. The scheduling of press conferences will be communicated to athletes in advance. All athletes are required to attend the press conference(s), if requested

Uniforms

- Uniforms will be checked during the Preliminary Inquiry. Players of the same team must wear the same color and style of uniforms. The display of players' sponsors' logos on shorts and accessories is free as long as it complies with FIVB/ AVC advertising regulations.
- The host will NOT provide tank tops and/or tops for the players. Please bring at least two sets of uniforms in contrasting colors (one set in dark color and the other set in light color). Each set of uniforms must display the shirt number (i.e. No. 1 & No. 2) as well as the country code or country flag.
- No sponsorship allowed on playing tops. Small manufacturers' logo acceptable

4. Accommodation & others

Accommodation

- The host organizer will cover for the full board and lodging for 4 players (**two twin bedrooms with 2 persons in each room only**) from the official arrival day until breakfast on the day after elimination.
- The host organizer will not cover for the full board and lodging of reserve players/extra players.
- The host organizer will not cover the accommodation of coaches, team physiotherapists, guests or family members accompanying the participating athletes.
- All participants are however personally responsible for all extras at the hotel such as mini-bar, phone calls, etc. including any damage incurred to the room. Payments must be made upon checkout.

Official Hotel	Workers' Sanatorium (Banbianshan Dujia)
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- The rate of full board and lodging for team officials and extra team members and the players after their elimination:
- **USD 100/day/person** for twin shared room (three meals included)
- **USD 130/day/person** for single room (three meals included)

Transportation

- The official airport confirmed by the organizer is as follows:

Official Airport	<u>Ningbo Lishe International Airport (NGB)</u>
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- Players and team officials have to be responsible for their own international and domestic airfare and any airport taxes, visa expenses, insurance etc.
- The organizer will welcome all participants at Ningbo Lishe International Airport. The travel details of the teams must be sent to the event office before June 4th and LOC will arrange shuttle service from Ningbo Lishe International Airport to the official hotel.
If received after the deadline, the organizer has no obligation to provide transportation from the Airport to the official hotel.



Accreditation

- Accreditation will be required by all athletes, coaches and team officials, AVC officials, referees, VIPs, media, technical staff, court personnel, volunteers, vendors, etc. by organizers, and will ensure that only those with appropriate accreditation can access the designated venue areas.
- Contact person for issuing accreditation: Grace
Email: 183098590@qq.com
- The accreditation information must be sent to the organizer before June 1st

Catering

- The organizer will provide all three meals for 4 players from the official arrival day until breakfast of the day after the team was eliminated from the event.
- The organizer will provide all three meals for referees, and AVC officials being breakfast, lunch, and dinner at the official hotel from the official arrival day until breakfast of the official departure day.

Medical Services and procedures

- During Competition & Training
 - During Competition & Training, there will be first responders with an ambulance will be on standby at the venue.
 - AVC reserves the right to perform random anti-doping controls, as per FIVB rules and regulations.
- Out of Competition & Training
 - For Out of Competition & Training there will be the option to arrange a first aid treatment in the hotel. If more treatment is necessary, local organizer will provide transportation where needed.

Official Hospital	Xiangshan First People's Hospital
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- In the case of an emergency, the organizer will provide first responders and transportation all the way to the hospital and back. The cost of treatment will be covered by the athlete concerned.
- Each individual athlete is obliged to have their own insurance.