



## Volleyball Championships Official Rules

**Number of players for team:** maximum 12 players

**System:** qualification round pools. Quarter final or qualification to quarter final, semifinal and final will be play as knockout matches

**Duration of matches:**

Qualification round, quarter final and semi-final: 2 out of 3 sets to 15 points

Final ¾ place: 2 out of 3 sets to 15 points; Final ½ place: 2 out of 3 sets to 25 points

**Warm up:** 5 minutes

**Teams have to report to the court on time. A team that is 5 minutes late will automatically lose the match by forfeit.**

The volleyball regulations applied to the "World InterUniversities Championships" volleyball Championships are the official regulations of FIVB with these exceptions:

**Reg. 6.2**

- The first team that reaches 15 points, by a margin of 1, wins the set.

**Reg. 6.3**

- The first team that wins 2 sets wins the match.

- A 3<sup>rd</sup> and deciding set will be eventually played as a normal tie-break of 15 points.

**Reg. 15.1**

- Each team has a maximum of 1 time-out of 30 seconds per **match** and 6 substitutions in each set.

**Reg. 15.4**

- There are no technical time-outs.

**Reg. 18.1**

- The interval between sets is 2 minutes within which teams must switch sides (except during the break between the 2<sup>nd</sup> and the 3<sup>rd</sup> sets) and proceed to the registration of the information on the score sheet.

**Reg. "Deciding point"**

- Deciding point: in case of 14-14, the team that scores the 15<sup>th</sup> point, will win the set and eventually the match (if 3<sup>rd</sup> set is played).

The rules above will be changed in order to follow the Official Regulation during the **two finals matches** (men's and women's final).

**The protocol race** will be so changed:

- When the teams arrive to the sports Stadium, the introduction of players of each team will be done only one time, unless the organizing committee decides otherwise.

- Teams must be on court 10 minutes prior to the start time displayed on the board.

- Teams can start warming-up near the volleyball court 10 minutes before the starting time.

- In case of delay, for whatever reason, teams will not have time to warm-up outside of the official time.

- A team that arrives late will lose its privilege to warm-up in the warm-up area, unless the O.C. decides otherwise. **The starting time of the match will not be extended.** Such team will only have the remaining minutes of the official warming-up time.

- The team arriving with a delay of 5 minutes from the starting time of the match will not have the right to warm-up but will have to immediately start the match.

- If a team does not show up within 5 minutes from the starting time, it will automatically forfeit the match by the score of (2-0; 15-0 15-0).

- If both teams do not show up within 5 minutes from the starting time they will both automatically forfeit the match by the same score. In this case, the organizing committee reserves the right to find replacement teams between the best losing teams. Meaning: In case 2 teams, who face each other in the quarter-finals, both do not show up, they will both be automatically disqualified and will be replaced by the best losing teams.

- Breaks between matches are not expected. As soon as a match ends, players must **immediately** leave the volleyball court to allow the next teams to get ready to play the next match.

**Also:** The organizing committee reserves the right to change the format of the tournament if it is in the best interest of competitors and based on organizational needs. The team will obviously be warned of the changes in time.

**Every coach and player must take note of the rules of the game with the exceptions above. With this document we would like to acknowledge that you know and are aware of the rules of the game and accept them for this Championship.**