



Beach Volleyball Competition Manual

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1 BEACH VOLLEYBALL

Dates	15-18 June 2024 (Pending submission of numerical entry forms)
Venue	Marshall Islands High School Gym
Technical Meeting	TBD
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2 COMPETITION DETAILS

2.1 Technical Committee

Technical Delegate	Samuel Montalvo
Competition Manager	Dustin Langidrik

One representative from each participating member association.

2.1 Officials

2.1.1 Floor officials for the tournaments will be drawn from accredited referees nominated by the participating MGAs. All MGAs entering teams are expected to send one suitable referee per team. Referees will be assigned to games and evaluated under the supervision of Oceania Zonal Volleyball Association (OZVA) and the International Volleyball Federation (FIVB). Table officials will be supplied and assigned by the host country, in consultation with OZVA. All officials must attend the official clinics to be presented by the Representative of FIVB.

2.2 Technical Committee

2.2.1 Two (2) Representatives from each Team may attend the Technical Meeting. The Technical Delegate will welcome and preside over the meeting. All matters pertaining to the competition will be covered at this Meeting.

2.2.2 Key Competition Officials including SIC Manager, Beach Volleyball Referees will be present to answer any questions.

- 2.2.3 The MAJOL2024 Volleyball Technical Committee shall consist of two representatives from the host country and one representative from each of the competing islands all with voting rights..
- 2.2.4 The Technical Committee shall be chaired by the Technical Delegate or the chair will be appointed by the Technical Delegate.
- 2.2.5 The Technical committee is responsible to ensure that the MAJOL2024 Volleyball competition is conducted in accordance with the technical rules and regulations of OZVA and FIVB as established by the MAJOL2024 OC in conjunction with the Technical Committee, as well as to oversee the competition schedule and rule on any and all protests brought to its attention.

2.3 Technical Committee Meeting

- 2.3.1 The Technical Meeting will be held no more than 48 hours prior to the commencement of the competition. Schedule will be communicated prior to your arrival. Visit Sport Information Center (SIC), located in the Athletes' Village, for technical meeting schedules.

2.4 Agenda

1	Welcome remarks by the Competition Manager
2	Introduction of Relevant Key Competition Technical Officials
3	Final Timetable
4	Confirmation of the Jury of Appeal
5	Protests and Appeals to the Jury
6	Confirmation of Entries
7	Failure to Participate
8	Medal Ceremonies and Procedures
9	Draws
10	Venue visit
11	Other Concerns

3 CONDUCT OF THE TOURNAMENT

3.1 Competition Date/Venue

- 3.1.1 The MAJOL2024 Beach Volleyball competition will be held 15-18 June (Pending submission of numerical entry forms).

3.1.2 The competition will be held at the Majuro Sports Complex, Uliga (next to the track & field facility).

3.2 Competition format

3.2.1 The MAJOL2024 Beach Volleyball Competition shall take place in both Men's and Women's Divisions following FIVB Rules.

3.2.2 Division(s) with less than six (6) teams registered will compete in a single round robin format, with the top two (1st and 2nd) teams advancing to the Gold Medal Match while the Bronze Medal Match will be between 3rd and 4th place.

3.2.3 Divisions with six (6) or more teams will be divided into two pools with equal number of teams in each pool when there is an even number of teams registered. If there is an odd number of teams registered, one pool A will have one more team than pool B.

3.2.4 Pool ranking will be determined by FIVB ranking. If teams are not ranked by FIVB, the pool will be determined from the previous Micronesian Games finish.

3.2.5 Playoff system will be drafted by the Technical Committee Chairperson and presented to the competing MGAs least 30 days prior to the start of competition.

4 COMPETITION RULES & REGULATIONS

4.1 Entries

4.1.1 All entries must comply with the entry requirements specified by the Micronesian Games Council.

4.1.2 The maximum number of athletes per Member Federation team that may enter the MAJOL2024 Beach Volleyball competition is one men's team and one women's team. Each team shall consist of two players and a coach/manager.

4.1.3 There are no substitutions or replacement of players in accordance with FIVB Beach Volleyball Rules.

4.2 Governing Bodies

- 4.2.1 The MAJOL2024 Beach Volleyball competition will be conducted in accordance with FIVB Rules and Regulations for Beach Volleyball.
- 4.2.2 The Micronesian Games Council shall have complete responsibility for the direction and control of the Games.
- 4.2.3 The Technical Committee for Beach Volleyball shall have technical control of the organization of the event in accordance with FIVB Rules and Regulations.
- 4.2.4 In cases of disputes the Micronesian Games Council decision shall be final.

4.3 Registration

- 4.3.1 Registration will take place prior to each match of the competition at the Beach Volleyball Venue.

4.4 Player's Equipment

- 4.4.1 Players shall be required to wear FIVB regulation competition outfits. Players may wear hats or visors and can wear glasses at their own risk.
- 4.4.2 Players' FIVB regulation outfits must be numbered 1 and 2. The number must be placed on the chest, center on back and/or on the front of the shorts. The numbers must be of contrasting color to the regulation competition outfit. The numbers must be a minimum of 10cm in height and a minimum of 1.5cm wide.

4.5 Coin Toss

- 4.5.1 Before the official warm up, the first referee carries out a coin toss in the presence of the team captains. The winner of the coin toss chooses:
 - a) either the right to serve or receive the service or
 - b) the side of the court.
- 4.5.2 The loser takes the remaining choice. In the second set the loser of the coin toss will have the choice of (a) or (b).

4.6 Warm Up

4.6.1 Prior to the match the team will have a five-minute official warm up period at the net.

4.6.2 Teams must be at courts 60 minutes prior to their match, 30 minutes at the warm-up court and can enter the main court for extra and official warmup after the previous match.

4.7 To Win a Match

4.7.1 The team that wins two sets wins the match.

4.7.2 In the case of a 1-1 tie the deciding set is played to 15 points with a minimum lead of 2 points.

4.8 To Win a Set

4.8.1 A set (except the deciding 3rd set) is won by the team that first scores 21 points with a minimum lead of 2 points. In case of a 20-20 tie, play is continued until a two-point lead is reached (22-20, 23-31 etc.).

4.8.2 Points System

Points will be scored as follows:

Win – 2 points

Loss – 1 point

Forfeit – 0 Point(s)

4.8.3 Default and Incomplete Team

- If a team refuses to play after being summoned to do so, it is declared in default and forfeits the match with the result 0-2 for the match and 0-21, 0-21 for the sets.
- A team that does not appear on the playing court on time is declared in default with the same result as listed above.
- A team is declared incomplete for the set or for the match loses the set or the match as both players of each team must always be in play. The opposing team is given the points, or the points and the sets needed to win the set or the match. The incomplete team keeps its points and sets.

4.9 Time Outs and Technical Time Outs

4.9.1 Each may request a maximum of one time-out per set.

4.9.2 Time-out request must only be made by the captain by showing the corresponding hand signal, when the ball is out of play and before the whistle of service. All requested time-outs last 30 seconds.

4.9.3 In sets 1 and 2 one additional time-out “Technical Time Out” is applied automatically when the sum of the points scored the teams equals 21 points

- In the deciding (3rd) set there are no “Technical Time Out”; only one time-out of 30 seconds duration may be requested by each team.
- During all time-outs, Technical Time Out and set intervals, all players must go to the designated players’ area.

4.10 Coaching

4.10.1 Coaching in Beach Volleyball is not allowed during a match. Coaches are not allowed on the Field of Play in accordance with FIVB rules. Repeated coaching may be penalized by the Technical Committee.

4.10.2 For further clarification on the rules, please refer to the FIVB Beach Volleyball Handbook.

4.11 Facilities at the Venue

4.11.1 One practice court and the main court will be available for practice based on team’s needs. Please contact the Tournament Manager to schedule times.

5 ELIGIBILITY

5.1 Athlete Eligibility

In order to be eligible to compete at the Micronesian Games, an athlete must comply with one of the following criteria:

- (1) The athlete must have been born in any state, country, or territory which is a member of the Micronesian Games Council -- that is, Palau, Guam, CNMI, Yap, Chuuk, Pohnpei, Kosrae, Marshall Islands, Nauru, or Kiribati -- and must have lived in any of those states, countries, or territories for a

period of (5) five years up to and including the start of the Games; OR

(2) The athlete must be the child of at least one parent, or two grandparents, who were born in any state, country, or territory which is a member of the Micronesian Games Council (see above), without regard to residence;
OR

(3) The athlete must have resided in any state, country, or territory which is a member of the Micronesian Games Council (see above) for a period of (5) five years up to and including the start of the Games, AND, resides in the state, country, or territory for which the athlete will compete, as of the start of the Games, without regard to ancestry.

The temporary absence of an athlete from the territory of a member of the Micronesian Games Council for purposes such as education, sports, training, military service, and health care, or other legitimate absences of a similar kind, are not considered as interrupting a previously-established residency.

In addition, athletes must:

- (a) Complete all necessary entry and participation forms;
- (b) Not be currently under disqualification or suspension by any relevant authority;
- (c) Comply with all relevant rules and regulations of the Micronesian Games Council, the MGC Constitution, and the World Anti-Doping Code.

It is the responsibility of each participating state, country, or territory to ensure that all competitors comply with these requirements.

These requirements apply only to athletes. There are no eligibility requirements for coaches or technical officials.

Entries by name must be submitted at least 30 days prior to the start of the Games. Late entries will not be accepted. At the close of entries, the MAJOL2024 OC will communicate a list of all named competitors to each competing state, country, or territory. Each competing state, country, or territory will have 10 days to challenge the eligibility of a competitor. A \$50 bond is required for each challenge. The bond is refundable if the challenge is successful, but is forfeited if the challenge is unsuccessful.

The burden of proof of eligibility is on the sponsoring state, country, or territory, rather than the challenging state, country, or territory. In the event of a challenge, the sponsoring state, country, or territory must submit documents proving eligibility.

Challenges to athlete eligibility are made to the Micronesia Games Council Executive Board, not to the MAJOL2024 OC, which will refer them for decision by a Disputes Tribunal, consisting of three persons appointed by the Micronesia Games Council Executive Board. All challenges to eligibility shall be decided at least 10 days prior to the start of the Games. The decisions of the Disputes Tribunal are final and may not be appealed.

A state, country, or territory whose athlete is successfully challenged and is deemed ineligible to compete will be liable for a penalty in the amount of \$100. Failure to pay the penalty means that the state, country, or territory will not be allowed to compete in the sport in which the ineligible athlete was registered.

The contents of this section are a summary of the relevant provisions of the Micronesia Games Council Constitution. While every attempt has been made to assure the accuracy of this summary, in the event of any inconsistencies between this summary and the provisions of the Micronesia Games Council Constitution, the provisions of the Constitution shall be controlling.

6 PROTESTS TO THE JURY OF APPEAL

6.1 Protest

6.1.1 Any protest must be lodged with the Competition Manager in writing in English and signed by the leader of the delegation. A check or cash in the amount of \$100.00 must be included with each protest.

6.2 Jury of Appeal

6.2.1 The Jury of Appeal shall consult, all relevant person, including the Referee and Judges. If the Jury of Appeal is in doubt, other available evidence may be considered. If such evidence, including video evidence, is not conclusive, the decision of the Referee shall be upheld. The Jury Chairman gives the jury's decision to the Competition Manager, who institutes preparation of an Amended Result, if required.

7 ATHLETES' VILLAGE

7.1 Accommodations

7.1.1 Athletes and coaches will be housed at the Marshall Islands High School campus.

7.2 Meals

7.2.1 Meals will be provided at each Athlete's Village cafeteria upon presentation of an accreditation card and meal voucher. Only accredited persons will be provided meals.

7.2.2 If the sports competition schedule conflicts with the dining hall hours, teams may request takeout meals. It's the responsibility of the Chef de Mission to request takeout meals during the CdM meeting at least 24 hours in advance and to pick up the takeout meals in the dining hall. Takeout meals will not be delivered.

7.3 Medical

7.3.1 Primary care medical facilities (first aid) will be available, without charge, at the sports venue. More advanced care will be on call. Care other than primary care is the sole responsibility of the individual, and will be made available on the same basis (including cost) as it is to the general public.

7.4 Sport Information Center (SIC)

7.4.1 The SIC located at the Athletes' Village, will be open and manned during regular business hours.

7.4.2 The SIC is the formal communication center for the receipt and distribution of all sports information and results.

7.4.3 A set of daily results will be prepared, and will be available at the SIC.

7.5 Security

7.5.1 Security will be provided at all MAJOL2024 venues.

8 DOPING CONTROL

8.1 Random Testing

8.1.1 Athletes are advised that random drug testing will be conducted for the duration of the 2024 Micronesian Games.

8.2 Prohibited Substances

8.2.1 It is the responsibility of the athlete to check the status of all medications and refrain from using prohibited substances. Athletes who test positive for a prohibited substance will be disqualified from, including but not limited to, the 2024 Micronesian Games.

8.2.2 Complete listing of prohibited substances can be found on WADA website.

9 CODE OF CONDUCT

9.1 Conduct

9.1.1 The conduct of athletes, coaches, managers, and team officials are expected to adhere to the highest standards reflective of national pride and the spirit of the 2024 Micronesian Games. All participants shall appreciate the goodwill and regional unity that are the objectives of these Games.

9.2 Tobacco, Betel-nut, Vape, Alcohol and Drugs

9.2.1 The use and consumption of Tobacco, Betel-nut, Vape, Alcohol and Drugs in or around any Games facility is prohibited.

Good Luck to all the Teams!!!!