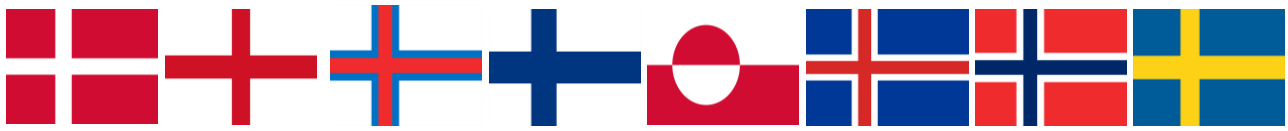




**NORTHERN EUROPEAN
CHAMPIONSHIPS
BEACH VOLLEYBALL
(U17, U18, U20 and U22)**

REGULATIONS



Championships

The Northern European Championships for U17, U18, U20 and U22 junior men and women will be organized every year for the members of NEVZA only.

Technical Meeting

A Zonal Technical meeting will be held every year. The place and date of the championships will be decided at this meeting.

Championship organizers

The schedule for the upcoming championships is as follows:

2023 week 29*	U17	U18	U20	U22	ENG
2024 week 28*	U17	U18	U20	U22	ENG
2025 week 28*	U17	U18	U20	U22	ENG

* To be confirmed



If a country cannot host the event the following year, notice must be given by 1st April the year before. A new host shall be decided at the Zonal Technical Meeting the year before.

If a country cannot host the event the same year, a final decision must be given 120 days before the scheduled start of the event. If no new host is found by 60 days before the scheduled start of the event, the championships are cancelled.

If a country wishes to arrange a championship for a particular reason e.g., a jubilee, it shall be possible to change the schedule if appropriate to do so and agreed by the existing hosts. This shall be decided at the NEVZA Technical Meeting minimum the year before.

Championship dates

Northern European Championships for U17, U18, U20 and U22 junior men and women will in principle be organized in the summer. Changes regarding the timings of the championships must be presented by the organizing country at the Zonal Technical meeting. A majority vote will then decide.



Hosting

Northern European Championships will be organized if there are 4 countries or more registered.



Player eligibility

Players participating in age group U22 shall be aged 21 years or younger during the entire year the tournament will take place.

Players participating in age group U20 shall be aged 19 years or younger during the entire year when the tournament will take place.

Players participating in age group U18 shall be aged 17 years or younger during the entire year when the tournament will take place.

Players participating in age group U17 shall be aged 16 years or younger during the entire year when the tournament will take place.

Players participating for Iceland, Faro Islands and Greenland are allowed to play with players one year older.



Administrative Deadlines

1. NEVZA's General Secretary will be advised of the venue and lodging and preferred port of entry for the championships 120 days before scheduled start of event.



2. Invitations will be sent to the Zonal members 120 days before scheduled start of event.
3. Final team spot registration/entry will be made by no later than 60 days prior to the start of the championships.
4. Players names to be registered no later than 30 days before start of championships. Travel itinerary to be presented at same time.
5. 1st Bulletin about competition venue, lodging, catering and match schedule will be sent to participating teams/Federations no later than 21 days prior to the start of the championships.

Breach of deadlines and fines.

1. No late spot registration is allowed.
2. Withdrawal of team after team registration and up to 10 days prior to the start of the championships, without medical certificate: A fine of 150 euros is paid to the organizing country.
3. Withdrawal of team after team registration and later than 10 days prior to the start of the championships, without medical certificate or no show: A fine of 300 euros is paid to the organizing country.
4. Late arrival to team's 1st match/early departure before team's last match is played and without previous information to organizing country: A fine of 200 euros per team is paid to the organizing Country.
5. The Technical Supervisor will send a report to NEVZA regarding breaches. NEVZA sanctions the countries and collects the fines for the organizing country.

Official Rules of the game

Northern European Championships shall be organized and played under the Official Beach Volleyball rules of the game laid down by the FIVB and applications of the rules are decided by NEVZA.

Transportation

Participating countries take care of their own travel cost to and from the championship hosting country. The distance from the approved port of entry to the venue/hotel shall not be more than the CEV standards/regulations. Upon request, the organizer will book transport to and from the nearest international airport at the participating teams' cost.

The teams will be responsible for all their own local transportation costs to and from the championship venue/hotel. The organizer may provide this service for nothing or charge a fee to do so at its discretion.



Arrival and departure

Arrival at the championship, minimum 1 hour before 1st match, the team must present themselves with proof of identification shown to Technical Supervisor.

Teams are allowed to depart after playing their last match or after the official prize ceremony if the team is one of the podium teams.

All podium teams are obliged to be present at the prize ceremony after the end of the last final.

The prize ceremony should be finished at latest 1/2 hour after last match.

Board and Lodging

Expenses for food and lodging will be borne by each participating country from the day of arrival until the day of departure. The food comprises 3 meals, breakfast, lunch and dinner.

The organizer may charge for snacks and will advise of costs within the championship bulletin.

Lodging will be of a reasonable standard for each level and age group. 3- or 4-bedrooms can be accepted.

Delegation numbers

Each registered participating member country consists of a minimum of 1 team per gender. The host country has a minimum of 2 teams per gender. Maximum number of teams is determined by NEVZA and organizing country and is dependent upon the number of courts available and the competition format to be used.

Allocation of spots in championships, after minimum/maximum number of teams has been allocated among registered teams, is in accordance with the following criteria:

a) registered countries are given 1 new spot, if available, in championships based on CEV country ranking for the given age group. U17 will follow U18 as CEV has no country ranking for this age group.

b) remaining open spots to be determined by drawing of teams to spots.

1-3 wild card spots can be given per age group and gender depending upon agreement between NEVZA and organizing country. Applications for wild card spots need to be received by organizing country by the deadline for spot team registration (60 days before the start of the championships).

Each team consists of 2 players of the same gender. A minimum of 1 official or a maximum of 4 officials per country and one certified referee per gender.



Countries who do not bring one referee per participating gender, will pay 1000 euros to the organizer for each non-attending referee.

Coaching

Coaching is in accordance with the CEV youth regulations;

https://webmedia.cev.eu/media/do2bfp1d/2022-fivb-coaching-guidelines_ammended-for-cev-events.pdf

Officials

Organizing country appoints a Technical Supervisor and Referee Delegate for the championships.

Technical Supervisor and Referee Delegate receive a per diem of 100 euros.

The Technical Supervisor and Referee Delegate can be the same person. Should this be the case, the per diem is for 1 function.

Referees will be available during the whole tournament. Line judges may be used at the discretion of the organizer.



Depending upon the number of referees, teams may have to referee matches as 1st and 2nd referee and scorer or be 2nd referee and scorer.



Uniforms

Each participating country provides uniforms for their teams in accordance with CEV regulations.

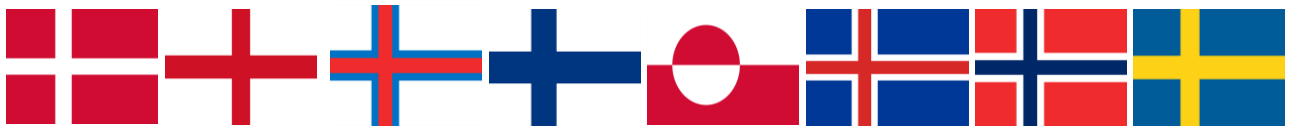
Preliminary Inquiry / Technical meeting

1. The preliminary inquiry is completed online by digitally confirming the team's participation and arrival date/time by latest 2 days prior to start of the championships. This is sent to both organizing committee and Technical Supervisor.
2. The technical meeting is conducted by a letter of information to each participating team sent by the organizing country latest 1 day before the start of the championships. The letter will contain the following points:
 - An executive committee consisting of 3 members: Technical Supervisor, Tournament Director and NF Delegate
 - The executive committee shall decide in all matters regarding complaints, breaches, bad behaviour during matches, sanctions etc.
 - Match and training schedule
 - Playing protocol
 - Procedure for referee appointments to the matches
 - Meals
 - Information about transportation of teams to and from venue
 - Procedure for award ceremony
 - Other necessary matters
 - Possibility of live streaming from matches

Training

Training will be available at the venue dependent upon availability of courts. Each team must sign-up for training times with the Organizer.





Competition formats

The competition system is pool play with single elimination play off.

Trophies and medals



A minimum of 9 medals will be given to the three first teams and their coaches in all Northern European Championships and there will be a cup for the winning team. NEVZA is responsible of producing the cup and the medals.

Streaming and social media

Matches can be streamed by the organizer. Organizer informs the participating teams of this option. If there is a team or individual that does not wish to be filmed, then this is to be reported to the organizing host country.

NEVZA, in coordination with the local organizer, posts information about the event, results, photos, stories on the NEVZA website daily. Content to be in English.

Financial matters

The local organizer decides the registration fee between 50 – 100 euros per team. Receipt of payment is sent to organizer digitally.



Based on budget approval, the organizing country receives economical support from NEVZA of 750 euros per age group (if more than 2) or 1000 euros per age group (if 1-2 age groups) and 2,000 euros in administrative support.

Should CEV support the event, NEVZA provides the organizing country with 72 Mikasa balls.

The organizing country has all commercial rights except for uniforms which belong to the teams' own federation. Streaming is considered a part of the commercial rights.

Option for NEVZA with 2 court side banners (2-3 x 1 meter), without cost other than production and shipping to organizer.

NEVZA Administration

NEVZA will decide upon any changes or amendments it deems necessary regarding any aspect of the regulations or any other matters, documentation regarding the championships. NEVZA will notify all members should any such changes or amendments occur.