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OFFICIAL REGULATIONS

Eastern European Volleyball Zonal Association

CHAMPIONSHIPS 2010

ARTICLE 1: PRINCIPLES

Article 1.1

JURIDICAL STRUCTURE

Youth and Junior Volleyball Championships for Boys and Girls will be regularly organized every year.

Article 1.2

RIGHT OF PARTICIPATION OF TEAMS

All national teams coming under the authority of an Eastern Europe Volleyball Zonal Association are eligible to participate in the EEVZA Youth and Junior Championships, provided their National Federation has fulfilled all its commitments towards the latter.

Article 1.3

RIGHT OF PARTICIPATION OF PLAYERS

1.3.1 A player wishing to take part in the EEVZA Youth or Junior Championship must possess the nationality of the country with whose National team he intends to play and must fully comply with the requirements laid down in Chapter I (STATUS OF THE PLAYERS) of the FIVB Sports Regulations.

1.3.2 Male/female players wishing to participate shall be aged

- Youth boys (born 1995 and thereafter)
- Youth girls (born 1996 and thereafter)
- Junior men (born 1993 and thereafter)
- Junior women (born 1994 and thereafter)

1.3.3. Each team through Form EEVZA-5 has the right to register a maximum of 22 players.

The Form EEVZA-5 have be filled by each participating team, including home team and duly completed must reach the EEVZA Headquarters **no later than 1 month** before the first competition day. National Federation, hosting an EEVZA Championship, 1 (one) MONTH BEFORE THE START OF THE COMPETITION must sent by fax Form EEVZA-7 to EEVZA Headquarters and all EEVZA affiliated NF's.

1.3.4. The number of players per team is limited to 12 out of the 22 players listed on the Form EEVZA-5. The *ad hoc* form EEVZA-5bis (of the home team and each visiting team) constituting the delegation's final registration shall be presented to the Jury upon the Preliminary inquiry.

1.3.5 Any exceeding of the deadlines laid down under articles 1.3.3, 1.3.4 and 1.3.5 of these Regulations will be liable for the fines, provided for by these regulations, such as listed in the Table of Financial Sanctions (Annex I).

1.3.6 The players' right of participation shall be checked either by the Technical Delegate or by the Jury, prior to the start of the competition, by means of each player's passport or identity card with photo, issued by the official authorities of the concerned country, with the National team of which they intend to participate in the EEVZA Championships, and checked against the Form EEVZA-5bis.

The right to participate lapses if none of these identity documents can be presented.

1.3.7 Teams are allowed to change up to two players registered on the Form EEVZA-5bis, due to medical reasons, or force majeure duly proven, in period between the Preliminary inquiry and the General Technical meeting. In this case, the new player must have been listed before on the Form EEVZA-5, added to Form EEVZA-5bis and can play at any moment upon arrival after having been accredited by the Technical

Delegate or the Jury. The expenses incurred in changing the players are at full cost to the National Federation. No changes will be allowed after the commencement of the General Technical meeting.

Article 1.4

RULES GOVERNING THE COMPETITION

Youth and Junior Championships shall be organized and played under the rules of the game laid down by the FIVB; they shall only take place in halls approved by the Technical Delegate or Jury.

The height of the net is:

- Youth boys (born 1995 and thereafter) 2,35m
- Youth girls (born 1996 and thereafter) 2,20m
- Junior men(born 1993 and thereafter) 2,43m
- Junior women (born 1994 and thereafter) 2,24m

Article 1.5

COMPOSITION OF A TEAM

Team can be composed of a maximum of 17 persons, i.e. 12 players and the following 5 officials:

- The team manager
- The head coach
- The assistant coach
- The medical doctor
- The physiotherapist

If the team comprises less than 12 players, the maximum number of officials remains limited to the 5 persons referred above.

One referee has to be included in each delegation, i.e. totally delegation consists from 18 persons.

ARTICLE 2: COMPETITION METHOD

2.1.1. 8(eight) men, 8(women) teams have the rights to participate in the EEVZA Championships in pursuit of the title of EEVZA YOUTH or JUNIOR CHAMPION at least.

2.1.2. These teams are from countries which federations are EEVZA members.

2.1.3 Competition method:

- 8 teams (one from each EEVZA Member federation) - are divided in two pools taking into account results of team's previous EEVZA championship – pool A and pool B. Four teams in each pool.
- 7; 6; 5 teams - play single round robin.
- 4 teams – organizing federation is recommended to choose competition formula to enlarge number of games.
- If 3 or less teams announced to participate in EEVZA Championship, competition should be canceled or transferred to other date.

It's allowed to play 2 matches per day for one team.

2.1.4. If any of mentioned teams don't take part in EEVZA Youth or Junior championships, organizing federation can be represented by 2 teams.

Article 2.2

ALLOCATION OF POINTS

2.2.1. For all the rounds of the EEVZA Championships, the allocation of points shall be as follows:

- Match won 2 points
- Match lost 1 point
- Technical forfeit 0 point

2.2.2 In the case of equal points, teams shall be located according to the quotient of sets won and lost. If this equality till persists on sets level, the quotient of points won and lost in all matches shall be taken into consideration. In the case of equal points, teams shall be settled according to the result of the match played between the teams in question.

2.2.3 A team refusing to play against another team shall be excluded from the rest of the EEVZA Youth or Junior Championships. The results obtained up to the moment of its exclusion shall be cancelled. As of the time of exclusion, all further expenses incurred shall be borne by the defaulting team.

ARTICLE 3: COMPETITION CALENDAR

To the extent where the Men and Women Championships are organized in two separate countries, the Finals of those Championships may take place during the same period.

No	Organizing country	Date of competition	Name of the competition	Gender	Place, city
1.	UKRAINA	12.-15.08.10	EEVZA Youth Championship	Girls (born 1996 and thereafter)	Ukraine, Lutsk
2.	POLAND	12.-15.08.10	EEVZA Youth Championship	Boys (born 1995 and thereafter)	Poland
3.	LATVIA	25.-28.11.10	EEVZA Junior Championship	Men(born 1993 or thereafter)	Latvia, Talsi
4.	RUSSIA	25.-28.11.10	EEVZA Junior Championship	Women (born 1994 and thereafter)	Russia, Moscow

ARTICLE 4: TEAMS COMMITMENTS & ADMINISTRATIVE DEADLINES

Article 4.1

REGISTRATION PROCEDURE

To be admitted to participate in the EEVZA Youth and Junior Championship, any Federation shall register. Registered letter shall notify this registration, by means of the Form EEVZA-5.

Article 4.2

WITHDRAWAL OF A TEAM - SANCTIONS

A team withdrawing from the EEVZA Championship, either officially or by forfeit, will be liable for the fines provided for by these regulations, such as listed in the Table of Financial Sanctions (Annex I).

In addition, the team loses the right of participation in the rest of the competition and in the next edition of the Youth or Junior Championships.

ARTICLE 5: BODIES IN CHARGE OF THE VARIOUS ROUNDS OF THE EEVZA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Article 5.1

EEVZA YOUTH AND JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

The entire preparation and organization of EEVZA Youth and Junior Championship comes under the responsibility of the Organization Committee of the organizing National Federation, in conformity with the FIVB/CEV rules and the current regulations as well as the Technical Organization & Logistics for organizers. Organizing Federation shall appoint a Referee Commission.

Article 5.2

LODGING & ARBITRATION OF PROTESTS

5.2.1 Any complaint lodged, as well as any decision returned by the competent authority, shall be mandatory written in English language.

PROTESTS and CLAIMS raised against the conduct of a match, or against the participation of one or more player(s) of a team, shall be recorded on the scoresheet.

The team manager shall notify the written CONFIRMATION of this protest to the Technical Delegate latest within 60 minutes after the end of the match.

After having heard the parties involved, the Technical Delegate shall return his DECISION within 6 hours after the end of the day's last match. This decision shall be notified in writing to the team managers concerned.

Article 5.2.2

GUARANTEE DEPOSIT

Any protest or claim shall mandatory be accompanied by a deposit of **340. - EURO** in cash, or the equivalent in local currency.

This deposit shall be refunded immediately if the protest is recognized to be well – founded.

Article 5.3

UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT

Any player or member of a delegation committing offences likely to entail his disqualification, or behaving in an unsportsmanlike manner during one of the EEVZA Championships matches, shall be liable to sanctions in accordance with the International Rules of Volleyball. Depending on the graveness of the offence, the Technical Delegate shall be empowered to disqualify the player or member of a delegation from the respective Round. Following to the report of the Technical Delegate, only the EEVZA Executive Committee can disqualify the player or member concerned up to the end of the final round.

ARTICLE 6: REFEREES & TECHNICAL DELEGATES

APPOINTMENT OF THE REFEREES

6.1. For the EEVZA Youth and Junior Championship, the EEVZA shall be appointed International referees or an International referee candidate. In case of absence of an appropriate number of International Referees the best National referees can be appointed. One referee from each Federation with a participating team will be appointed.

6.2. The other officials (scorers, lines-judges) shall be appointed by the Refereeing Commissions of the organizing Federations.

6.3. For non presenting the Referee with the delegation, concerned National federation has sanctioned with penalty 250 EUR, which has to be paid by concerned National federation to Organizer.

APPOINTMENT OF THE TECHNICAL DELEGATES

6.4. For the EEVZA Youth and Junior Championships shall be appointed the Technical delegates. Technical delegates have to be appointed by the Organizing Federation from the CEV and FIVB approved list of supervisors.

ARTICLE 7: FINANCIAL MATTERS

Article 7.1

TRAVEL EXPENSES OF TEAMS

Each team shall bear the travel expenses to the official venue of arrival and departure, indicated by the organizing National Federation. The travel expenses within the country, i.e. from the official venue of arrival to the various other competition sites and back, shall be borne by the National Federation organizing the competitions.

Article 7.2

TRAVEL EXPENSES OF REFEREES

Each participating Federation shall bear the travel expenses of the Referee to the official venue of arrival and departure, indicated by the organizing National Federation. The travel expenses from official venue of arrival to the competition site and back, as well as all local transportation, shall be borne by the organizing National Federation.

Article 7.3

TRAVEL EXPENSES OF TECHNICAL DELEGATES

Each Organizing federation is responsible for covering of local transportation costs of the nominated Technical Delegate to and back from the official competitions venue and during the competitions as well.

Article 7.4

FOOD & LODGING EXPENSES OF TEAMS

7.4.1 During the EEVZA Youth and Junior Championships, the organizing National Federation shall bear the hotel and food expenses for Official delegation, consisting max of 17 persons per team (12 players and 5 officials), for a period starting one day before the beginning of the competitions and ending one day after the competition. Each Federation shall be bound to contribute to the cost of board and lodging of its delegation, by paying a contribution fee to the food & lodging to the organizing National Federation for each of the member of its delegation (18 persons, including referee). **This "contribution fee" amounts 35. - EURO x number of competition days per person.** Total fee per delegation depends of amount of competition days and participating teams. This amount must be paid upon the arrival of the team and must be settled even if the duration of the stay is shorter. The arrival and the departure days both counts as 1 [ONE] full day.

7.4.2 During the EEVZA Championships the teams can be accommodated in Hotels, Sports Centre and/or Student Hostels with 3 persons per room, equipped with bathrooms and toilets, as well as one double room

equipped with bathroom and toilet. 4 single rooms with bathrooms and toilets must be available for each delegation. Accommodation shall meet overall standards of hygiene and tidiness.

Article 7.5

FOOD & LODGING EXPENSES OF REFEREES AND TECHNICAL DELEGATES

7.5.1 During the EEVZA Youth and Junior Championships, the organizing National Federation shall bear the hotel and food expenses for Nominated referees and Technical Delegate.

Article 7.6

POCKET MONEY

7.6.1. During the whole duration of their stay the Judge referee and the referees respectively appointed for EEVZA Championship shall receive pocket money, which is paid by Organizing National Federation. Each participating federation for own referee has to pay pocket money according the Internal rules, adopted by concerned Federation.

7.6.2. Pocket money for the nominated Technical Delegate is 50 EUR per each competitions day only. This pocket money paid from the EEVZA assets.

Article 7.7

RESTITUTION OF FINANCIAL DAMAGES

7.7.1 The National Federations of the teams participating in the EEVZA Youth and Junior Championships are responsible for the financial damages caused – as visiting national team to the EEVZA and to the organizing National Federation, for mistake or culpable negligence by their failed participation.

7.7.2 The organizing National Federation is responsible for the financial damages occurred to the EEVZA and visiting national teams, for mistake or culpable negligence by their careless organization.

7.7.3 Costs and damages occurred to EEVZA and organizing National Federation or to visiting National Team, by *force majeure* or a reason outside the influence respectively of a visiting national team, EEVZA or the organizing National Federation, have to be endorsed by the damaged body itself.

Article 7.8

FINES

For NOT RESPECTING the EEVZA CHAMPIONSHIPS REGULATIONS, the fines listed in Annex I (Table of Financial Sanctions) will be imposed. Any modification of this list shall be approved by the EEVZA.

The financial sanctions provided for in Annex I do not exclude any OTHER SANCTIONS.

ARTICLE 8: APPROVAL OF COMPETITION HALLS

All matches in the respective rounds of the EEVZA Championships shall only be staged in halls meeting the requirements laid down in the Rules and Guidelines issued by FIVB and CEV, as well as the provisions ruling the official CEV competitions.

ARTICLE 9: TRAINING FACILITIES

Any Federation organizing the competitions shall commit itself to ensure that all teams is granted the following training facilities:

- on the day before the first competition day, 60 minutes in the official competition hall;
- on each competition day, 60 minutes in a training hall;
- on each rest day during the competition, 90 minutes in a training hall;

Should on the day before the first competition day, a team for any reason haven't the possibility to use of the training facilities in the competition hall, the training session of 60 minutes, scheduled for the following competition day, must take place in the official competition hall.

On competition days any training session shall be scheduled in such a way, that it will be finished at least 5 [FIVE] hours before the starting time of the match in which the team concerned is involved.

ARTICLE 10: TEAM UNIFORMS

Jerseys and shorts must comply with FIVB Official Volleyball Rules Article 4.3.3, as well as the FIVB Standards for Volleyball Uniforms which are available on the FIVB website (www.fivb.org).

Publicity on uniforms must comply with the CEV Regulations concerning advertising material on the Uniforms of National Teams, which are available on the CEV website (www.cev.lu).

For the EEVZA Youth or Junior Championships each team must have available uniforms as follows;

- a team have available two [2] sets of playing uniforms, each one of a different color, the player's family name or usual nick name are recommended, but not mandatory, and if printed - on the back side of the shirt that has to be in accordance with the FIVB standards.

ARTICLE 11: DISTRIBUTION OF INFORMATION BY THE ORGANIZERS

2 (TWO) MONTHS before the first EEVZA Championship game, the organizing Federation shall issue and have to sent to EEVZA Headquarters for approval. After approval by Headquarters - to all concerned Federations the first Information bulletin with the following information have to be sent:

- Official venue of arrival;
- Accommodation (address, phone and fax);
- Detailed program:
- Request to the participating teams to communicate the list of their delegation, together with their arrival/departure times.

Upon the team's arrival at the competition site, a second bulletin (handbook) shall be handed out the participants. This bulletin shall indicate:

- Calendar and timetable of the matches;
- List of local organizing committee with the telephone number of the responsible;
- The address, telephone and fax numbers of the hotels referees and teams;
- The address and telephone numbers of Competition and Training Halls;
- The dates, times and venues of the preliminary inquiry and technical meeting;
- Timetable for training in the Competition and Training Halls;
- The timetables for transport, meals and trainings;
- List of Embassies with address and telephone numbers of participating teams;

Before the first competition day and upon completion of the preliminary inquiry, the organizer shall distribute the list of players, officials and referees to the participants.

The organizer shall moreover distribute a daily bulletin with the competition results and ranking.

A final bulletin with all results and final ranking shall be handed out to all participating teams, officials and referees.

Official materials for teams and Officials have to be distributed in ENGLISH.

ARTICLE 12: MATCH RESULT REPORT & TEAM RANKING PER POOL

12.1. Organizing federation must send Match Result Report (Form EEVZA-12) to EEVZA Headquarters 30 min after finishing of each game.

12.2. Organizing federation must send Team ranking Per Pool (Form EEVZA-12bis) to EEVZA Headquarters at the end of each competition day.

ARTICLE 13: CEREMONIES & PROTOCOL

The ceremonies for all rounds of the EEVZA Championships shall be ruled by the "GUIDELINES FOR THE OPENING AND CLOSING CEREMONIES OF THE CONFÉDÉRATION EUROPÉENNE DE VOLLEYBALL'S COMPETITIONS".

ARTICLE 14: PRIZE OF HONOUR

Article 14.1

EEVZA CHAMPION

The team carrying off the title of EEVZA Champion shall receive a cup and a diploma from the organizing National Federation. All the players having take part, the head coach and the assistant coach shall receive gold medals and a diploma from the organizing National Federation.

Article 14.2

TEAMS CLASSIFIED 2nd & 3rd

The teams classified second and third shall receive prizes of honors and diplomas from the organizing National Federation. All players having taken part, the head coach and the assistant coach of each team shall receive respectively silver and bronze medals and a diploma from the organizing National Federation. Medals to organizing National federations will be delivered by EEVZA Office.

ARTICLE 15: MARKETING & PRESS ISSUES

Organizers have obliged to send to EEVZA Office: photo of each participating team; at least 2-3 high resolution photos of each game; photo from Opening, Awarding ceremonies, photos of the teams, took the 1st, 2nd, 3rd places.

One week before the starting of the competitions Organizing Federation has to send to EEVZA Office short press release about forthcoming event. In the first day after the finishing of the competition Organizer have to send to EEVZA Office short summary of the event with the main and most important information.

At least one EEVZA advertising banner have to be placed in the competitions hall in the most visible place.

ARTICLE 16: CASES NOT FORESEEN

The Executive Committee of the EEVZA shall settle all cases not provided for by the current regulations.

ARTICLE 17: FORMS AND ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS

In the EEVZA Championship following forms have to be used:

- Team registration EEVZA – 5
- Final Team Registration EEVZA–5bis
- Match Result Report Form EEVZA-12
- Team Ranking Per Pool Form EEVZA-12bis
- Information about Competitions Form EEVZA -7
- Health Certificate for players Form EEVZA -M4

All these forms are available at EEVZA website: <http://www.eevza.eu>

ARTICLE 18: INFORMATION BY THE ORGANIZER AFTER THE COMPETITION

In the period of three weeks after the competition the Organizer must sent to the EEVZA Headquarters the following documents and information:

1. The set of original scoresheets;
2. Team rosters (including head coach);
3. Individual awards;
4. Final Report (including the information about the public attendance, extracts from articles in newspapers etc.);
5. Pictures with awarded teams and game moments in digital format with a minimum of 300 dpi in order to update EEVZA website and to prepare the EEVZA Annual Yearbook (at least 10 photos).

ANNEX I:**Table of Financial Sanctions**

1. Non-arrival to any of EEVZA Championship games (after the proposal of Jury and the decision of Executive Committee)	up to 3000 EURO
2. Delay in providing of the required information (EEVZA-5, EEVZA-7, information about team, photo of team, logo of sponsors etc.)	100 EURO
3. Delay in transferring of participation fee of team	100 EURO
4. Non presentation of EEVZA-5bis to the referee	70 EURO
5. Non completed documents presented to referee	50 EURO
6. Non respect of the delay of results, score sheets	70 EURO
7. Non-presenting two sets of sport uniforms	1000 EURO