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Note: Local mobile numbers will be communicated before the start of the event to the parties concerned.

MEETINGS SCHEDULE (In progress)	DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	PARTICIPANTS	VENUE
	PRE-COMPETITION PERIOD				
	tbd	tbd	FIVB / LOC Global Meeting – Welcome-	tbd	tbd
	tbd	tbd	Initial venue Inspection	tbd	tbd
	tbd	tbd	FIVB / LOC follow up on the initial venue inspections	tbd	tbd
	24-06-2015 (mid afternoon)	tbd	Referee Coordination meeting with RDs and RMs	tbd	tbd
	25-06-2015	09:00	Referee Clinic - theory	tbd	tbd
	25-06-2015 26-06-2015	14:00 17:30	Referee Clinic - practice	tbd	4 venues
	tbd	tbd	Press Coordination Meeting	tbd	tbd
	From 25-06-2015 till 26-06-2015 at 12am	From 25-06-2015 till 26-06-2015 at 12am	Preliminary Inquiry	Please see "Preliminary Inquiry and Technical Meeting Section"	Please see "Preliminary Inquiry and Technical Meeting Section"
	tbd	tbd	Final Venue Inspection	tbd	tbd
	tbd	tbd	FIVB / LOC follow up on the final venue inspections	tbd	tbd
	25-06-2015	tbd	Full Dress Rehearsal	tbd	tbd
	26-06-2015	15:00	General Technical Meeting	All	Hotels of the players
	26-06-2015	16:00	Opening Ceremony	tbd	Royal City Hall The Hague
	COMPETITION PERIOD				
	tbd	tbd	FIVB / LOC Daily Debrief Meeting (if any)	tbd	tbd
	Daily	Morning	Referee Daily Meeting	Referees	Hotels Conference room
	29-06-2015	Morning	Daily Inspection of the courts	TS and CD	Press Center
	tbd	tbd	Drawing of lots Rehearsal	tbd	tbd

RULES OF THE GAME AND OFFICIAL BALL	<u>Playing system</u> Rally Point System 2 out of 3 sets as follows: a) First and second sets: - 21 Points - switch every 7 points - one technical time-out of 30" at third court switch (sum of 21 points) - one time-out of 30" per team/set b) Third eventual set: - 15 points - switch every 5 points - one time-out per team All sets win by 2 points. Intervals between sets to be of 1 minute. Official Ball: NEW MIKASA VLS-300 (67 cm +1/-1) The 2015-2016 FIVB Official Beach Volleyball Rules approved by the FIVB Board of Administration are included in the Beach Volleyball Referee Guidelines and posted on the FIVB website: http://www.fivb.org/EN/Refereeing-Rules/Documents/FIVB_BeachVolleyball_Rules_2015-2016_EN_V3_20150205.pdf
COMPETITION FORMAT	First phase: 48 teams playing in (12) pools of four (4) teams each (Round Robin); Second phase with 1st, 2nd and best eight 3rd team in each pool will advance playing thirty-two (32) teams in a Single Elimination format (the losers of the semi-final matches will play the bronze medal match, while the winners of the semi-final matches will play the gold medal match).

TEAMS ENTRY REGULATIONS

NFs qualify through two paths. One is through the FIVB NF Entry Ranking and the second one is from the Confederations / Continental or Event Ranking. Please, see the graphics below:

Wild Card	3 (1 Wild Card to the organizers 2 to the FIVB)
Host Country Guaranteed	2
Through Continental Tour	20 (4 per Confederation)
Through FIVB NF Entry Ranking	23

The roster of 48 teams per gender (with the exception of the 3 wild cards and 2 host country teams), will be filled by picking up teams from the FIVB NF Entry Ranking in priority, and then for the Continental Ranking secondary.

48 per gender teams participating in the Main Draw as follows;

- Minimum two (2) granted places regardless their NF Entry ranking points, or up to six (6) maximum Host Country vacancies according to the NF Entry Ranking Points.

- Twenty-three (23) / Twenty-one (21) foreign vacancies in accordance with the FIVB NF Entry Ranking as per entry deadline. Foreign countries may enter a maximum of 4 teams directly in the Main Draw.

- 20 vacancies from the continental qualification path (4 teams per confederations per gender). All Confederations Qualification process of all Confederations is approved by the FIVB.

- 3 FIVB Wild Cards - at least 1 for the HC.

Country Quota for foreign countries maximum 4 teams.

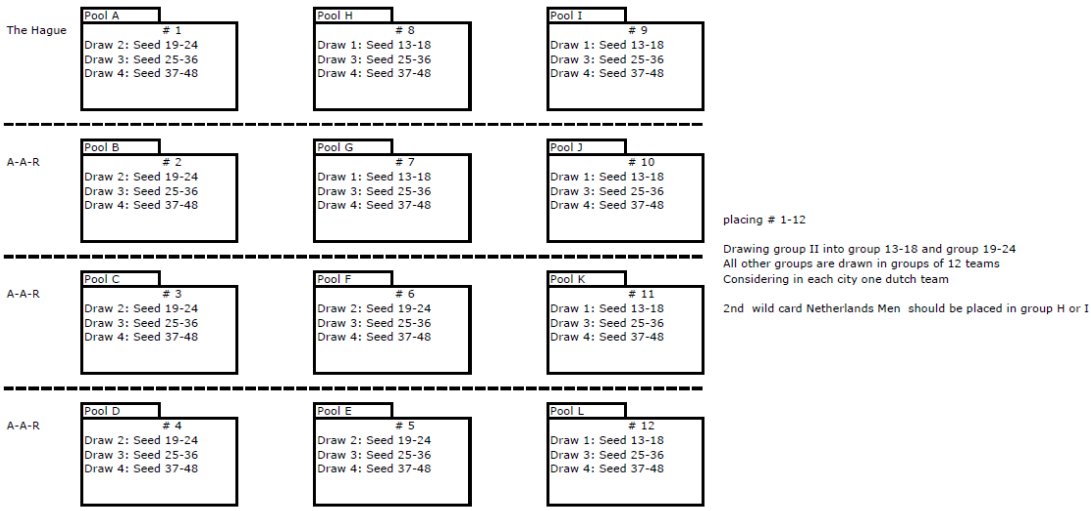
The following deadlines will apply:

Wild Card request	by - 110 days	08.03.2015
Continental Ranking (or event Ranking) (from the 5 Confederations)	by -110 days	08.03.2015
Drafted Event's regulations + Official Invitation Letter (to be sent to FIVB by NEVOBO)	by- 110 days	08.03.2015
Tentative list of participating teams (posted on the website)	by - 101 days	17.03.2015
Event's regulations and Official Invitation Letter (to be sent to NEVOBO by FIVB)	-100 days	18.03.2015
Confirmed list of participating teams (incl Wild Cards)	-100 days	18.03.2015
Mailing of Confirmed lists, Invitation letter and Event's Regulations (to all NFs concerned)	-99 days	19.03.2015
Drawing of lots (Location, exact date and specific regulations to be determined)	30.03.2015	30.03.2015
Match - up (to be done in agreement with the promoter, hosting NF + NOS + FIVB TV Agency)	- 85 days	TBD
Withdrawal Request	As per FIVB Regulations	N/A

Note: Teams qualified through the FIVB NF Entry Ranking path, will be following the FIVB Entry Regulations for an FIVB beach volleyball event. See Sport Regulations – Entry Procedure (Chapter 2, page 8). Please, see below the link:

http://www.fivb.org/EN/BeachVolleyball/Document/FIVB-Sport-Regulations_BVB_2015_v1.pdf

SEEDING & THE DRAWING OF LOTS	An updated list of participating teams and reserve teams will be issued by the FIVB the day before the drawing of lots by 12:00 Swiss Time. This list will be prepared in accordance with the Entry regulations. See above. Upon the release of the Confirmed Entry List, the teams will be seeded by the sum of the Athlete seeding points on the day of the release, and a further release will be made with the most updated Confirmed Entry List on the day before the drawing of lots. Based on this updated list, the FIVB will elaborate the seeding of the event in accordance with drawing of lots regulations. Two drawing of lots will be conducted as follows: - One (1) drawing of lots will be conducted in The Hague (NED) to determine the pools composition on 30th March 2015. The exact location will be at Mauritshuis museum next to the Hofvijver. Start time at 19:00pm. - One (1) drawing of lots will be conducted in The Hague on 30th June 2015 to determine the seeding of the thirty-two (32) teams in the Single Elimination phase. The principles to conduct the drawing of lots prior to the start of the event to determine the pool composition will be as follows: - Teams will be seeded as per the sum of their Athlete seeding points on the day before the Drawing of Lots (29th March 2015). - The first host country team if it will be within the first 12 entry positions it will be granted seeding No 1. - Should the 1st Host Country team will be below position 12 in the list it will be granted the seeding position No 12. - The second and third eventual host country team entered through the NF ranking will be placed as per their natural seeding. - The remaining host country teams will be placed one team per each city. From seeding 1 (if applicable) to seeding 12 teams will be placed in the 12 pools in accordance to their respective seeding points. Four draws will be conducted as follows: - Draw 1: From seeding 13 to seeding 18 in accordance with seeding points to pools G-L - Draw 2: From seeding 19 to seeding 24 in accordance with seeding points to pools A-F - Draw 3: From seeding 25 to seeding 36 in accordance with seeding points to pools A-L - Draw 4: From seeding 37 to seeding 48 in accordance with seeding points to pools A-L All wild cards will be placed by their natural seeding with the exception of the 2nd wild card for the Men Host Country which will be drawn into the Pools that are playing in The Hague (fixed position pool I). The other wild cards from the HC cannot be placed in the same pool as another host country team. The Host country will have the possibility to determine the team which will be granted the 2nd wild card through an event prior to the start of the event. Nevobo grant one wild card to the men and women team that perform best in three national tour events that take place before the start of the FIVB Beach Volleyball World Championships 2015. The names of those wild card teams will be announced on Sunday 21st June 2015. These events are: Men / Women May 29-30: Arnhem/Budel / Arnhem/Budel June 6 – 7: Vlissingen / Vlissingen June 19 – 21: Amstelveen / Amstelveen



*A-A-R – Amsterdam, Apeldoorn and Rotterdam – city to be defined

Following this scheme all winners of the pools will stay in the same city and only the teams placed in position # 2 and 3 will have to travel.

In the case of no Dutch team play in The Hague, after the second drawing of lots, the LOC has the right to change pools from one to another city. A minimum of one Dutch team will be granted to play in the city of The Hague.

Match-up:

The match-up will be disclosed following the announcement of the Confirmed Teams Entry list and any changes in the list should not affect the match-up. This in order to maximize TV and Media exposure as well as ticketing.

Rules for Pool Ranking:

- Winner earns 2 match points, Loser earns 1 match point.

- In case of an injury forfeit of a team (team is at the court on time for the start of their match, however cannot start the match due to injury), the winning team will be awarded 2 match points for the win, a set score of 2:0, and points of 0:0, 0:0. The losing team will be awarded 1 match point, a set score of 0:2, and points of 0:21. 0:21. The score sheet however will reflect the standard application of rule 7.4.

- In case of an injury forfeit or an eventual disqualification of a team after the start of the match (as an example BRA is leading AUS 6:4 in the first set and AUS is injured at this point and cannot continue the match), the winning team will be awarded 2 points for the win, a set score of 2:0, and little points of 6:4, 0:0. The losing team will be awarded 1 match point, a set score of 0:2, and points of 4:21. 0:21. The score sheet however will reflect the standard application of rule 7.4.

- In case of a forfeit due to no show of the team before the start of their match, the winning team will be awarded 2 points for the win, a set score of 2:0, and points of 0:0, 0:0. The losing team will be awarded 0 match points, a set score of 0:2, and points of 0:21. 0:21. The score sheet however will reflect the standard application of rule 7.4. The forfeiting team will also be subject to a sanction.

In case of a tie in the Pools (match points), during the Round Robin, the following rules will apply:

Between two teams:
- If teams have played against each other, the winner of the head to head match is ranked higher.
- If teams concerned have not played against each other, their ranking is determined by the points ratio between all teams in the pool.
- If a tie still exists by points ratio then the teams have the same position in ranking.

Between three teams:
- If three teams have a tie in the main points, then the top ranked team is determined by the points ratios in the matches between the three tied teams.
- If a tie still exists then the teams have the same position in the ranking.

Between four teams:
- The ranking is determined by the points ratio between all teams in the pool.

If a tie still exists then the teams have the same position in the ranking.

In case of a tie in the Pools (match points), at the end of Round Robin, the following rules will apply:

Between two teams:
- The winner of the head to head match is ranked higher.

Between three teams:
- Teams are ranked by the points ratios in the matches between the three tied teams.
- If a tie still exists then the top ranked team is determined by the points ratio between all teams in the pool.
- If a tie still exists then the top ranked team is determined by the tournament seeding (the highest seed of the tied teams is the top ranked teams).

Pools will be grouped as follows:

- A will be in The Hague as pool H and I.
- The cities of the remaining 3 pools will be determined in accordance with the international broadcasters' needs and local communities.
- B will be in the same city as pool G and J.
- C will be in the same city as pool F and K.
- D will be in the same city as pool E and L.

Host country teams will be divided over the 4 different cities. In order to reach that goal during the drawing of lots, the HC teams can be moved to another city / group to arrange this agreement.

If required, a drawing of lots will be carried out during the meeting to break any eventual ties in the seeding.

The principles to conduct the drawing of lots after the Pool phase will be as follows:

The winners of pools A-L will stay in the same city. And are fixed in the positions 1-12.x. The number 2 and 3 will be drawn to the different positions according to the following schedule:
The FIVB grants the organising committee to change groups so that at least 1 Dutch team keeps playing in The Hague.

All teams will be transported the same day / evening to the hotel of their new city.

	Note*:* If feasible it should be avoided to play the last match of the pool amongst the teams of the same country. The playing format of the World Championships should be fixed, so that the drawing of lots after the Pool Play finishes at late afternoon and no games are played on the same day in Single Elimination. In case of a contingency, if the first round of Single Elimination is played the same day as the drawing after Pool Play is made, the starting time of the first game in single elimination cannot be earlier than 2 hours, after the bracket has been drawn and approved by the FIVB/Technical Supervisor. The FIVB Technical Supervisor must be responsible to verify that the competition schedule fulfils the FIVB competition regulations at least one month before the start of the event (start time semi-finals and finals, above duration of the competition, match per day, break between matches, daylight, etc.). Drawing of lots to establish the seeding of the Single Elimination phase thirty-two (32) teams: Women: on 30.06 Time: Within 1 hour after the last match of the pool (exact time will be communicated through the bulletin) Location: The Hague Nieuwpoort Press Centre Men: on 30.06 Time: Within 1 hour after the last match of the pool (exact time will be communicated through the bulletin) Location: The Hague Nieuwpoort Press Centre

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32 Team Single Elimination bracket and seeding

4 City's Loser 17th	4 City's Loser 9th	4 City's Loser 5th	The Hague	The Hague		
A1						
(1)	Winner Match #1					
Draw 5						
	(17)	Winner Match #17				
Draw 1						
(2)	Winner Match #2					
Draw 2						
		(25)	Winner Match #25			
I1						
(3)	Winner Match #3					
Draw 3						
	(18)	Winner Match #18				
H1						
(4)	Winner Match #4					
Draw 4						
			(29)	Winner Match #29		
E1						
(5)	Winner Match #5					
Draw 4						
	(19)	Winner Match #19				
L1						
(6)	Winner Match #6					
Draw 3						
		(26)	Winner Match #26			
Draw 1						
(7)	Winner Match #7					
Draw 2						
	(20)	Winner Match #20				
Draw 5						
(8)	Winner Match #8					
D1						
C1						
				(32)		
(9)	Winner Match #9				Gold	
Draw 5						
	(21)	Winner Match #21				
Draw 1						
(10)						
	Winner Match #10					
Draw 2						
		(27)	Winner Match #27			
K1						
(11)	Winner Match #11					
Draw 3						
	(22)	Winner Match #22				
F1						
(12)	Winner Match #12					
Draw 4						
			(30)	Winner Match #30		
G1						
(13)	Winner Match #13					
Draw 4						
	(23)	Winner Match #23				
J1						
(14)	Winner Match #14					
Draw 3						
		(28)	Winner Match #28			
Draw 1				Ratio = 1st Ratio = matches won/matches lost		
				= 2nd Ratio = sets won/sets lost		
(15)	Winner Match #15			= 3rd Ratio = points won/points lost*		
				(*Points earned in a forfeit are not counted)		
Draw 2						
	(24)	Winner Match #24		A1 - L1 will be placed according to the schedule in their fixed positions		
Draw 5						
				Any round of first 16 matches cannot have teams coming from the same Pool		
(16)	Winner Match #16			e.g. Match # 1 A -- Draw 5, the team from Draw 5 cannot come from Pool A		
B1				Draw 1 = 4 x 2nd place teams with best 4 ratio		
				Draw 2 = 4 x 2nd place teams with ratio #5 to #8		
The Hague Loser Match #29				Draw 3 = 4 x 2nd place teams with worst 4 ratio		
(31)				Draw 4 = 4 x 3rd place teams with best 4 ratio		
		Bronze				
Loser Match #30				Draw 5 = 4 x 3rd place teams with ratio #5 to #8		

WITHDRAWALS	**Up to the Confirmed NF Entry List (-99 days)** Before the Confirmed NF Entry List deadline the participating NFs may: - Withdraw or remove a team(s) from an FIVB World Championships directly through the Volleyball Information System (VIS); - Disband/alter a composition of a team(s) directly through the Volleyball Information System (VIS). **After the Confirmed NF Entry List (-99 days) and up to -30 days before the Event** Once the Confirmed NF Entry List is issued by the FIVB, the participating NFs may: - Submit a withdrawal, disband or 'change of athlete' request to the FIVB (worldtour@fivb.org) through the BVB/03 form without a supporting Medical Certificate; - The FIVB website will be updated after every withdrawal and substitution of players approved by the FIVB; - In case of a withdrawal of a team, its position in the Main Draw Tournament will be maintained and another team of the same country (if any) will then replace the withdrawn team. In case there is no replacement team from the same country, the next eligible team in the NF Entry Ranking will enter the Main Draw Tournament; - In case of a withdrawal of a team before the teams are drawn into pools (30th March 2015), - The eligible team entering the Main Draw Tournament will be seeded as per its sum of Athlete Entry points; - In case of a withdrawal of a team after the teams are drawn into pools (30th March 2015), the eligible team entering the Main Draw Tournament will take the position of the withdrawn team. **<u>Last Minute Withdrawals</u>** After -30 days and up to 1 minute before the start of the Preliminary Inquiry of the Main Draw Tournament, the participating NFs may: - Submit a withdrawal, disband or "change of athlete" request to the FIVB (worldtour@fivb.org), through the BVB/03 Form for a team/athlete, only if supported by a valid Medical Certificate and a proof of an issued airplane ticket by a IATA recognized airline company. - In case of a withdrawal of a team, its position in the Main Draw Tournament will be maintained and another team of the same country (if any) will then replace the withdrawn team. In case there is no replacement team from the same country, the next eligible team in the NF Entry Ranking will enter the Main Draw Tournament. The eligible team entering the Main Draw Tournament will take the position of the withdrawn team. Reserve teams must announce their presence through a formal communication to the FIVB, the Event Director and the Organizers in The Hague at the office by the 25th of June (the day before the opening). In case one or more withdrawals take place just before the Preliminary Inquiry leading towards the Technical Meeting, the reserve team(s) (after having declared his/her presence at the Preliminary Inquiry and attending the Technical Meeting In The Hague) with the highest NF ranking points will be eligible in priority to fill the roster. Amongst the seeded team(s), the one(s) with the highest seeding points will be replacing the highest vacant seeding position and so on until the roster will be filled in accordingly. This replacement will be done at the respective Technical Meeting once the final number of vacant positions is established due to withdrawals from **June 22th 2015** to the start of the Technical Meeting (without changing for all remaining teams the seeding previously established by the FIVB in accordance with the seeding regulation).

Failure to comply with the above requirements and deadlines for the last minute withdrawals/disbands or 'change of athlete' shall result in applied fines to the athlete(s) concerned:

Team enlisted in the confirm list of participating teams	USD 3,000

In addition to the above fines, failure to comply with the above requirements and deadlines for the last minute withdrawals/disbands or 'change of athlete' shall result in the event being counted as zero (0) points for the Athlete Entry point calculations among the eight (8) results considered for entry and seeding purposes at the FIVB beach volleyball tournaments.

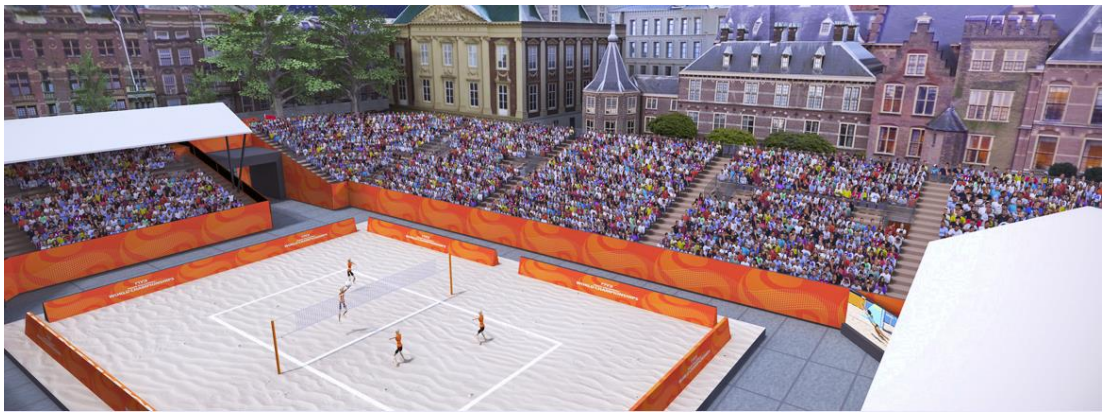
No Show:

If an athlete fails to attend the Preliminary Inquiry and to notify the FIVB or the Organizers in advance, that athlete's team is eliminated from the tournament and a fine of USD 3,000 (Main Draw) is imposed on him/her, unless the FIVB accepts to the reason as "force majeure". The athlete has to prove the circumstances constituting the "force majeure".

Late Arrival:

In the event that an athlete arrives late to the Technical Meeting (having gone through the procedures of the Preliminary Inquiry), as confirmed by the FIVB Technical Supervisor, a fine of USD 250 (Main Draw Tournament) may be imposed on him/her, depending on the reasons for the delay. Such fine shall be paid prior to participation in the first match of the tournament concerned.

Special cases of late arrival may be considered upon proof of force majeure reason communicated to the FIVB Technical Supervisor and FIVB Beach Volleyball Department (before the start of the Preliminary Inquiry).

VENUE	**Venue 1: The Hague** Address: Center Court: Hofvijver, Den Haag Training court: Spuiplein, Den Haag Closest International Airport: Schiphol Amsterdam and Rotterdam/The Hague  **Venue 2: Amsterdam** Address: Center Court: De Dam, Amsterdam Training Court: tbd Closest International Airport: Schiphol Amsterdam

Venue 3: Rotterdam
Address:
Center Court: 3e Katendrechtsehoofd, Rotterdam
Training Court: 3e Katendrechtsehoofd, Rotterdam

Closest Rotterdam/The Hague Airport

Venue 4: Apeldoorn
Address:
Center Court: Marktplein, Apeldoorn
Training Court: Marktplein, Apeldoorn

Closest International Airport: Schiphol Amsterdam

Note: local transportation will be granted from/to the above airports from /to the above cities (see transportation section below)

PRIZE MONEY

FOR A USD 500,000 PRIZE MONEY (per gender)

Rank	Prize Money per Team in USD	Total Prize Money per Place in USD
1st x 1	60,000	60,000
2nd x 1	45,000	45,000
3rd x 1	35,000	35,000
4th x 1	28,000	28,000
5th x 4	18,000	72,000
9th x 8	11,000	88,000
17th x 16	7,000	112,000
33rd x 4	4,800	19,200
37th X 12	3,400	40,800
TOTAL		500,000

The 2015 Prize Money of the events will be paid by the FIVB to the athletes as per the below chart:

	Events	End Date	Payment due date
1	Fuzhou	26 April	11 May
2	Lucerne	17 May	1 June
3	Prague	24 May	8 June
4	Moscow	31 May	15 June
5	Porec	7 June	22 June
6	Stavanger	14 June	29 June
7	St Petersburg	21 June	6 July
8	The Netherlands	5 July	20 July
9	Gstaad	12 July	27 July
10	Yokohama	26 July	10 August
11	Turkey	TBC	TBC
12	Long Beach	23 August	7 September
13	Olsztyn	30 August	14 September
14	Rio de Janeiro	6 September	21 September
15	Sochi	13 September	28 September
16	Xiamen	27 September	12 October
17	Fort Lauderdale Swatch Season Final	4 October	19 October
18	Puerto Vallarta	12 October	26 October
19	Qatar	13 November	30 November
20	Mangaung	13 December	28 December

FIVB WORLD RANKING POINTS (PER ATHLETE)	Rank	Points earned
	1st x 1	500
	2nd x 1	450
	3rd x 1	400
	4th x 1	350
	5th x 4	300
	9th x 8	250
	17th x 16	200
	33rd x 4	150
	41th x 12	100

EVENT SCHEDULE

♀ Women
♂ Men

FIVB

BEACH VOLLEYBALL
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS
THE NETHERLANDS 2015

June 26 *Opening Matches*

The Hague
♀ 19:40
♂ 20:30

June 27 *Pool Play*

The Hague	Amsterdam	Rotterdam	Apeldoorn
	♂ 11:00	♂ 11:00	♂ 11:00
	12:00	12:00	12:00
	13:00	13:00	13:00
	14:00	14:00	14:00
	♀ 15:00	♀ 15:00	♀ 15:00
♂ 15:30	16:00	16:00	16:00
♀ 16:30			
17:30	18:00	18:00	♂ 18:00
	♂ 19:00	19:00	19:00
♂ 19:45	♀ 20:00	♂ 20:00	♀ 20:00
♀ 20:45	♂ 21:00	21:00	21:00
♂ 21:45			

June 28 *Pool Play*

The Hague	Amsterdam	Rotterdam	Apeldoorn
♂ 10:30	♀ 11:00	♀ 11:00	
11:30	12:00	12:00	
♀ 12:30	♂ 13:00	♂ 13:00	♀ 13:00
13:30	14:00	14:00	14:00
♂ 14:30	♀ 15:00	♀ 15:00	♂ 15:00
15:30	16:00	16:00	16:00
♀ 16:30			
	18:00	♂ 18:00	♂ 18:00
18:45	19:00	19:00	19:00
19:45	♂ 20:00	♀ 20:00	♀ 20:00
♂ 20:45	21:00	21:00	21:00
♀ 21:45			

June 29 *Pool Play*

The Hague	Amsterdam	Rotterdam	Apeldoorn
			♀ 10:00
			11:00
♂ 11:30	♀ 12:00	♀ 12:00	12:00
♀ 12:30	13:00	13:00	13:00
13:30	♂ 14:00	♂ 14:00	♂ 14:00
♂ 14:30	15:00	15:00	15:00
15:30			
	18:00	♀ 18:00	♀ 18:00
♀ 18:45	19:00	19:00	19:00
♂ 19:45	♀ 20:00	♂ 20:00	♂ 20:00
♀ 20:45	21:00	21:00	21:00
21:45			

June 30 *Pool Play*

The Hague	Amsterdam	Rotterdam	Apeldoorn
♀ 11:00	♀ 11:00	♀ 11:00	♀ 11:00
12:00	12:00	12:00	12:00
13:00	13:00	13:00	13:00
14:00	14:00	14:00	14:00
♂ 17:45	♂ 17:00	♂ 17:00	♂ 17:00
18:45	18:00	18:00	18:00
19:45	19:00	19:00	19:00
20:45	20:00	20:00	20:00

Drawing of lots

EVENT SCHEDULE

TRAINING COURTS	**The Hague:** Training courts available from : **22-06-2015** - Address: Spuiplein, Den Haag - Number of courts: **2** (1 male, 1 female) - Availability: upon registration at competition office Total # of competition courts: **1 per city** Total # of warm-up courts: **1 (adjacent to the training courts)** **(Total: 4 courts)** **Amsterdam:** Training courts available from : **22-06-2015** - Address: John M. Keynesplein 2, Amsterdam - Number of courts: **2** (1 male, 1 female) - Availability: upon registration at competition office Total # of competition courts: **1 per city** Total # of warm-up courts: **1 (adjacent to the competition courts)** **(Total: 4 courts)** **Rotterdam:** Training courts available from : **22-06-2015** - Address: 3e Katendrechtsehoofd, Rotterdam - Number of courts: **2** (1 male, 1 female) - Availability: upon registration at competition office Total # of competition courts: **1 per city** Total # of warm-up courts: **1 (adjacent to the competition courts)** **(Total: 4 courts)** **Apeldoorn:** Training courts available from : **22-06-2015** - Address: Marktplein, Apeldoorn - Number of courts: **2** (1 male, 1 female) - Availability: upon registration at competition office Total # of competition courts: **1 per city** Total # of warm-up courts: **1 (adjacent to the competition courts)** **(Total: 4 courts)**
PLAYERS ELIGIBILITY	To be eligible athletes/ NFs are required to submit to the FIVB the following: - 2015-2016 Beach Volleyball NF-Athlete's Commitment (BVB-01) signed by the NF and the athlete on each page minimum 30 days before the first event's participation in 2015 season. NF-Athlete Commitments (one for each athlete) are then approved in the VIS system by the FIVB which allows online status verification. Failure to upload the signed commitment within the deadline shall prevent the athlete from taking part at an FIVB event. The template 2015-2016 Beach Volleyball NF-Athlete's Commitment (BVB-01) is available on the FIVB website under Forms section; – An annual health certificate (BVB-10) minimum 30 days before the first event's participation in 2015 season. The annual health certificate is mandatory for all athletes that have signed the 2015-2018 Beach Volleyball NF-Athlete's Commitment. The template annual health certificate (BVB-10) is available on the FIVB website under Forms section. –Undertake the FIVB Anti-Doping education program "We play it clean!" For further information, please access FIVB online Anti-Doping education program here: http://www.fivb.org/RealWinner/

PRELIMINARY INQUIRY AND TECHNICAL MEETING	All Athletes must attend the mandatory Preliminary Inquiry and Technical Meeting. Match up and finalized seeding and additional detailed information on the competition will be distributed at the Drawing of Lots. Athletes may be requested to provide their ID card or passport during the Technical Meeting. **Preliminary Inquiry** For reserve's team, they must go through the Preliminary Inquiry at the information desk at the Hotel in The Hague (Mercure Hotel) from June 25th from 10:00am to 18:00pm, and till June 26th from 9:00am to 12:00am.

The Hague Location: Mercure Hotel, Spui 180, 2511 BW Den Haag Time: June 25th between 09:30 and 18:00 June 26th between 11:00 and 13:00
Amsterdam Location: at the official players hotel at the information desk Time: June 25th between 09:30 and 18:00 June 26th between 11:00 and 13:00
Rotterdam Location: SS Rotterdam, 3e Katendrechtse Hoofd 25, 3072 AM Rotterdam, at the information desk Time: June 25th between 09:30 and 18:00 June 26th between 11:00 and 13:00
Apeldoorn Location: Van der Valk – De Cantharel Van Golsteinlaan 20, 7339 GT Apeldoorn, at the information desk Time: June 25th between 09:30 and 18:00 June 26th between 11:00 and 13:00

Technical Meeting
On the 26th of June, at 15am at the conference room of each hotel.

The Hague Location Nieuwspoort Media Center, Lange Poten 10, Den Haag (within walking distance athlete & officials hotel) Time 15:00 hours
Amsterdam Location Dutch Design Hotel Artemis John M. Keynesplein 2, Amsterdam Time 15:00 hours
Rotterdam Location Press Center at SS Rotterdam, 3e Katendrechtsehoofd, Rotterdam Time 15:00 hours
Apeldoorn Location Conference room at De Cantharel, Van der Valk Hotel, Van Golsteinlaan 20, Apeldoorn Time 15:00 hours

WELCOME AND LOCAL TRANSPORTATION	**Airports from which transportation is provided:** Schiphol Airport Amsterdam; At Schiphol airport a member of our transport team will wait for officials and players from the main draw event at the Meeting Point between Arrival hall 1 and 2 (red/white Kubus). Welcome desks will be at all official hotels. Rotterdam/ The Hague Airport; When exiting the (only) arrival hall at the airport you will find the transportation desk right in front of you. Welcome desks will be at all official hotels **Local transportation** Participating athletes will be eligible free of charge for all local transportation to/from the airport and to/from the hotel through the Event Organisers. Athletes will be transported to the airport within 24 hours after the last match. The transportation from the airport to the venue and back for other related parties (other officials, coaches, families, etc.) will be paid 30 EURO per person (one way). **Please note:** the organisation has the right to schedule transport with a maximum waiting time of 120 minutes. **Please note:** Local transport is upon request. Please go to www.aethon.nl/beachvolleyball Athletes (or their National Federations) will be requested to apply early enough for their entry visas, whenever needed and will be accountable for all visa expenses. **Note: local transportation will be granted from/to the above airports from /to the above cities.**
BOARD AND LODGING	The organizers will provide the participating teams with hotel accommodation (double room) in the Organizer's designated Hotel and with meals from the evening before the start of the Tournament until the day after the elimination of the teams from the event, breakfast included. Athletes will be personally responsible for all extras at the hotel such as mini-bar, phone calls, laundry, etc. to be paid upon checkout. The organizers will not be required to make reservations for coaches, guests, teams' physiotherapists, friends, or family members accompanying the participating athletes. The FIVB strongly recommends that the organizers accommodate athletes in different hotels than the hotel for the FIVB officials and referees. This is the case in all cities except for Rotterdam and Apeldoorn. Nevertheless athletes will be accommodated in different sections of the hotel.

HOTEL FOR ATHLETES & FIVB DIRECTORS	**The Hague:** Mercure Hotel, Spui 180, 2511 BW Den Haag (Athletes only) Novotel, Hofweg 5-7, Den Haag (FIVB Officials & LOC) **Rotterdam:** SS Rotterdam, 3e Katendrechtse Hoofd 25, 3072 AM Rotterdam **Apeldoorn:** Van der Valk – De Cantharel Van Golsteinlaan 20, 7339 GT Apeldoorn **Amsterdam:** Dutch Design Hotel Artemis John M. Keynesplein 2, Amsterdam
HOTEL FOR THE FIVB OFFICIALS, NEUTRAL INTERNATIONAL REFEREES, ETC.	**The Hague:** Novotel, Hofweg 5-7, Den Haag (FIVB Officials & LOC) **Rotterdam:** SS Rotterdam, 3e Katendrechtse Hoofd 25, 3072 AM Rotterdam **Apeldoorn:** Van der Valk – De Cantharel Van Golsteinlaan 20, 7339 GT Apeldoorn **Amsterdam:** NH City Center, Spuistraat 288-292, 1012 VX, Amsterdam
HOTEL FOR LINE JUDGES / SCORERS & ORGANIZING COMMITTEE MEMBERS	**The Hague:** Novotel Suite **Rotterdam:** SS Rotterdam, 3e Katendrechtse Hoofd 25, 3072 AM Rotterdam **Apeldoorn:** Van der Valk – De Cantharel Van Golsteinlaan 20, 7339 GT Apeldoorn **Amsterdam:** Dutch Design Hotel Artemis John M. Keynesplein 2, Amsterdam
HOTEL FOR JOURNALISTS, COACHES & PHYSIOTHERAPISTS	Best deals can be found via booking.com Accredited people with access to the shuttle system (this is stated on the accreditation card) will be transported. This will then be free of charge
ACCREDITATION	Organizers will provide all Organizing Committee members, FIVB Officials, referees, athletes, VIPs, journalists, technical staff, court personnel, volunteers, etc. with an official accreditation card and will ensure that only people with appropriate accreditation will access the designated venue areas. Organizers are also requested to provide accreditation cards for one coach and one physiotherapist per team. The appropriate forms (for coaches and physiotherapists) are available at the following link: http://www.fivb.org/EN/BeachVolleyball/Forms.asp The filled out forms can be send to mak.schriel@nevobo.nl
INSURANCE	Athletes must have their own liability and medical insurance.
MEDICAL CONTROLS	The FIVB reserves the right to perform random medical controls on the participating athletes and alcohol tests on the officials, as per FIVB rules and regulations.

TICKETING	Online webshop: www.wkbeachvolleybal2015.nl Vip Ticket: June 26th €125 June 27th-30th €95 July 1st €110 July 2nd 1/8 finales €125 July 2nd quarter finals €140 July 3rd €150 July 4th €150 July 5th €175 Including: • Day and evening matches (Sunday only day matches: Finals) • VIP seat in the centre court • Entrance to the VIP Hospitality • Food and beverages Regular tickets: June 26th €20 June 27th-30th €10 July 1st €15 July 2nd 1/8 finales €15 July 2nd quarter finals €20 / €25 ** July 3rd €25 / 30** July 4th ½ finals €25 / €30** July 4th (v) finals €30 / €35** July 5th (m) finals €30 /€35** ** Roof covered seats
MEDIA & PUBLICITY	The ATHLETE must be available for TV interviews, video and photo shooting prior to or during the FIVB World Championships; when requested, such sessions shall take place in front of the FIVB official backdrop. The FIVB will respect the ATHLETE'S need to train, play, eat, sleep and prepare for coming games during the FIVB World Championships when requesting the ATHLETE'S participation in such activities.
DISCREPANCIES	For any eventual discrepancies, the 2015 version of the FIVB Beach Volleyball Sport Regulations will prevail. http://www.fivb.org/EN/BeachVolleyball/Document/FIVB-Sport-Regulations_BVB_2015_v1.pdf The FIVB reserves the right to revise this version of the Event's Regulation if it will be needed and issue a further version.

OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION	**Tourist Offices:** VVV Amsterdam http://www.vvv.nl/steden/amsterdam VVV Rotterdam http://www.vvv.nl/steden/rotterdam VVV Den Haag http://www.vvv.nl/steden/denhaag VVV Apeldoorn http://www.vvv.nl/steden/apeldoorn **Official city websites:** www.denhaag.nl www.rotterdam.nl www.amsterdam.nl www.apeldoorn.nl **Side events:** **Official Opening Ceremony**: Friday June 26th **World Record Beach Volleyball Attempt**: Saturday June 27th **Beach Club The Hague**: June 26th – July 5th Situated at 't Plein in The Hague the beach club is the perfect meeting point for beachvolleybal fans and beach lovers. At the beach club everyone can relax, watch the matches on big screens and enjoy performances in a beach setting.