

Competition Format (Teams & Pairs)

Each team will consist of two pairs of each gender (Pair 1 and Pair 2)...

A 'duel' between regions includes the results from both

Pair 1 vs Pair 1

Pair 2 vs Pair 2

If the result between the above 'duel' is a draw then a 'Golden Set' is played. The team can select any of the four players to compete in the 'Golden Set'. The Golden Set is played immediately.

Pool Format

Pools will consist of two groups of four. Pool ranking will be decided by:

1. The team with the highest number of matches won. If a draw:
2. The team with the highest sets ratio, ('sets for' divided by 'sets against'). If a draw:
3. The team with the highest points ratio. (points for' divided by 'points against) In the event of a draw, the team who won the pool match between the two drawing teams will be the winner/highest ranked.

Playing Format

All games will be based on the FIVB format - best of three sets to 21/21/15 points (with two clear points) Pool play could be reduced to 15/15/15 at the TD discretion.

The Golden Set (if played) will be one set to 15 points - with 2 clear points

In the event of bad weather or time considerations, the organisers reserve the right to reduce the duration of matches if deemed necessary. To 15/15/11 or similar.

Injuries and Substitutions

Once play has begun the team is unable to substitute if a player becomes injured.

The tournament directors will allow the team to play a substitute but the games will be considered void and lost but would like to see matches played for the players experience of match play.

So for example, if a team fields a substitute player any of their games will not count in matches won and lost. However the remaining eligible pair and three players can go to a golden set if the remaining eligible pair wins their match to make it 1-1. They will be eligible as a squad to continue in the event. The friendly matches will not count.

Seeding and Ranking

All pools were seeded and ranked from 2019 results.

All teams once pool play has finished will then be seeded 1-4 in their groups.

All teams will then enter into a single-elimination knockout.

- Winner of Pool A - seed 1
- Winner of Pool B - seed 2
- Runner Up Pool A - seed 3
- Runner up of Pool B - seed 4
- 3rd Pool B - seed 5
- 3rd Pool A - seed 6
- 4th Pool B - seed 7
- 4th Pool A - seed 8

The losers of the quarter-finals in the knock out will play for 5/7th Position

The losers of the semi-final will play for 3/4th Position

All games will be as FIVB Beach rules and regulations unless the organisers deem it necessary to make any changes.