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Regulations Volleyball

The games are generally played according to the official rules of the **Fédération Internationale de Volleyball (FIVB)**.

The following special regulations apply specifically to the United World Games.

Most Important Rule – FAIR PLAY

All participants are expected to act respectfully and politely toward everyone involved, in the spirit of fair play. This applies not only to referees but also to other officials, opponents, teammates, and spectators.

1. Age Groups

Male:

Categories	Cutoff Date	Matchsystem	Number of Player
U 20	Born 01.01.2007 and younger	Best of 3 sets to 21 points	2 Players
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2. Squad list & ID checks

Each participating team must submit its **squad-list** online via the UWG account at https://my.unitedworldgames.com/ **by May 31st, 2027**, which then will be approved.
A team can only complete check-in and receive its relevant documents after the squad list has been successfully reviewed and approved.
If the squad list is not completed, an additional processing fee will be charged.

Coaches are required to carry the **UWG-approved squad list and player ID cards/passports** for all games. It is highly recommended to have a printed version of the squad list on hand to avoid any issues due to potential internet problems at the venues and to ensure access at all times.

During the tournament, coaches have the right to request a pre-game ID check of the opposing team and verify players. If this check is not requested before the match starts, the right to do so expires.
In addition, a maximum of two players from the opposing team may be checked during the time of the match. Player verification is carried out by the referees in coordination with the venue supervisors.

If a team:

1. uses players who do not meet the age requirements,
2. uses players who are not listed on the official squad list, or
3. uses a squad list that has not been approved by UWG,

the current match will be automatically recorded as a defeat for the respective team.
In the case of a repeated violation of the squad list regulations, the team will be disqualified from the tournament.

It is generally allowed for a player to participate in two different teams, as long as they are not competing in the same competition category.
In such cases, the player must be listed on both squad list.
(Example: A player competing in the U13 category may also be listed on a U15 team and play for both, as long as the match schedule allows it).
If a club enters multiple teams in the same category, players may not be moved between teams. Each player may only appear on the squad list of one team per competition.

3. Arrival at the Sports venue

All teams must arrive at their designated venue **no later than 15 minutes before** the start of the match and must check in with the **venue supervisor.**
If a team arrives, for example, only 10 minutes before the match or fails to check in properly, the game will be officially forfeited. However, the referee, together with the coaches of both teams, may decide whether the game will actually be forfeited or played as scheduled. If the team that arrived on time insists on the forfeit, it will be enforced accordingly.

4. Squad Size and Substitutions

Each team may have only two players on the court at any given time. Substitutions with the reserve player are allowed during and between sets.

5. Match Duration and allocation of points

Matches are generally played in a best-of-three format, with each set played to 21 points. Each set won counts as one point.

To determine the standings after the group stage, points are awarded as follows:

Set won	1 Point
Se lost	0 Point

6. Ranking & Play-off rules

After the preliminary round a table reflects the order of the teams. For the ranking of the teams the following criteria will be taken into account:

1. the number of points (=number of sets won)
2. every disciplinary panel adjudication/walk over leads to a notation (DSQ). Teams with a lower number of notations are prioritized if point equality exists.
3. In case of equal points, (equal set ratio) the higher score difference is taken into account. (won balls minus lost balls).
4. In case of equality, a direct duel will make the final decision.
5. If no decision can be made after applying all of the above criteria, the ranking will be determined by lot (automated random draw by computer)

In case best ranked 2nd, 3rd, 4th or 5th (etc.) have to be determined, the ranking of said teams will be made by the following criteria:

1. Total number of points/Number of games
2. Number of forfeited games due to disqualification (DSQ) / Number of games played
3. Score difference / Number of games played
4. Decision by drawing lots (computerised random generator)

7. Walk over (w.o.)

If a team fails to show up or arrives late without a valid reason, a 2-0 win (21:0, 21:0) will be awarded to the opposing team.

Late teams will be waited for a maximum of 5 minutes.

8. Height of the

U 20 male	2,43 meter
U 16 male	2,24 meter
U 20 female	2,24 meter
U 16 female	2,20 meter

9. Venues

Matches are played on sand courts according to FIVB specifications. After the game, both teams are required to smooth the sand on their last-used side of the court using the sand rake.

10. Game Balls

Each team must bring their own practice balls. Additionally, each team must provide one official game ball that meets the following FIVB standards:

- Circumference: 66–68 cm
- Weight: 260–280 g
- Pressure: 171–221 hPa (mbar)
- Material: Leather, synthetic leather, or similar (moisture-resistant)

11. Insurance & Disclaimer

The participants are not insured through the organizers. It is up to the coach of each team to make sure that his/her players and all the participants of the team are insured during the event. The organizers do not assume any kind of liability in case of illness, accidents or loss/theft of personal belongings.
With their participation the athletes accept the disclaimer of warranty for any kind of damage. No claims can be asserted against the organizing committee, the event sponsors, the city of Klagenfurt and the province of Carinthia regarding damage or injuries.

Every athlete has to make sure that they are fully physically capable of participating without any medical objections.
For all players: Do not leave any valuable things and/or expensive clothing and/or shoes in the locker rooms.

12. Disciplinary remark

Severe offenses and brutal fouls will result in an automatic ban for the next game. In addition, the tournament board will speak out a further suspension according to the severity of the offense. In case of a sending-off because of a brawl or insulting the referee, the concerned player will be disqualified for the whole remainder of the tournament. Furthermore the tournament board reserves the right to suspend entire teams from the tournament, if they act disrespectful towards referees, officials or opponents, or misbehave themselves.

13. Final remark

The organizers of the United World Games are at the understanding that each participant and team leader know all the items as mentioned in these regulations.

IMPORTANT: In emergencies and during the night-time the emergency number 144 must be called. Please also note that if an injured athlete has to be transported to the hospital with an ambulance, a coach of the affected team must always go with him.