



**Deaf Volleyball Championship League
25 to 29 November 2015 - Bruges, Belgium**

Technical Regulations

1. EVENT

The volleyball competition for men and women will be conducted in a team tournament format for Deaf Volleyball clubs 25-29 November 2015.

2. PARTICIPANTS

2.1. Age Eligibility There are no age restrictions.

2.2. Number of Teams Each National Federation may enter two (2) men's team and two (2) women's team.

They must proof their participation at the Year competition 2014/2015 in their country and must have reached the 1st place. If they can't participate a team with a second place is also allowed to take part at DVCL.

Participation in the DVCL is limited to a maximum of twelve (12) men's teams and ten (12) women's teams.

2.3. Team composition

Each team may have a maximum total of fourteen (14) players, consisting of a maximum of twelve (12) regular players and a maximum of two (2) liberos and one team Manager, one head coach, one assistant coach, one physiotherapist and one medical doctor.

Prior to the match, there may be written in a maximum of 14 players on the official scoresheet: max. 12 players + 2 libero or max. 12 players + 1 libero or max. 12 players without libero.

3. REGISTRATION

3.1. Name Registration

The name Registration with the names of each entered athlete are already submitted before 25 October 2015 to the OC Bruges because Hostel, Transport , medals Stuff etc.

3.2. Players Pass

If there is a player pass for the new volleyball club and any old club with audiogram at the deaf association of their countries, it must be brought to Bruges / Belgium, otherwise you have to our own player passport containing audiogram enter etc., send to me the November 20. 2015 . ICSD-Number instead of Players Pass-Number.

4. COMPETITION RULES AND REGULATIONS

4.1. Technical Organization DVCL is responsible for the technical organization of the Volleyball competitions.

4.2. Committees

4.2.1 Technical Committee

The technical committee will be composed by the 2 members from DVCL Committee and members appointed by the Organising Committee:

Matthias Bork	-	DVCL President
Nico Claerman	-	DVCL Member (Treasurer)
Jan V. D. Braembussche	-	EDSO Volleyball Technical Director
Willy Scherrens	-	Representative Belgium Volleyball Federation (KBVBV - VVB)
Demunter Marina	-	Sports Liaison Officer Volleyball Belgian Deaf Sport Committee

4.2.2 Protest Committee

The Protest Committee shall consist of:

Matthias Bork	-	DVCL President
Nico Claerman	-	DVCL Member
Jan V. D. Braembussche	-	EDSO Volleyball Technical Director
Willy Scherrens	-	Head Referee Belgium Volleyball Federation (KBVBV - VVB)

4.3. Competition Rules

The Volleyball competitions will be conducted in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the FIVB (version 2015-2016). In case of disagreement in the interpretation of the Rules and Regulations, the English text shall prevail. Unforeseen incidents not covered by the Rules and Regulations shall be dealt with as follows:

4.3.1 Technical questions related to competition rules shall be resolved according to the FIVB Rules and Regulations.

4.3.2 Only club athletes who comply with the DVCL Regulations are entitled to take part in the Volleyball competitions.

4.4. Competition Equipment

4.4.1. All equipment and implements used during competitions will accord with the FIVB Rules and Regulations.

4.4.2. The ball brand will be Mikasa MVA 200.

4.4.3. The nets will comply with the FIVB Regulations.

4.5. Competition Uniform

4.5.1. Each team shall have two (2) sets of uniforms in contrasting colours if this possible (one - light and the other dark). Team colours and jersey numbers (1 - 20) must be identified on the final entry form. The uniforms will comply with the FIVB regulations

(http://www.fivb.org/EN/Refereeing-Rules/documents/FIVB_Volleyball_Rules_2015-2016_EN_V3_20150205.pdf). See 4.3

4.5.2. Each athlete shall wear the same jersey number on front and on back and on front of the right leg throughout the competition.

4.6. Draw

The draw for teams participating in the preliminary round of the men's and women's tournament took place after the Final Entry on Saturday 31st October 2015 in Essen/Germany on special request of the DVCL.

4.7. Competition Plan

The competition consists of preliminary round, semi-finals, finals and classification matches.

4.7.1. Men: Round Robin - where each team must play its opponents in its group once.

Women: Round Robin - where each team must play its opponents in its group once.

4.7.2. Finals Men: The first and the second places in the preliminary Pool (Round Robin) will play for the gold/silver medals. The third, fourth and fifth best places in the preliminary pool will play for bronze.

Final Women: The first and the second places in the preliminary Pool (Round Robin) will play for the gold/silver medals. The third and fourth best places in the preliminary pool will play for bronze.

4.7.3. Pool Rankings

The match points earned by each team in each pool shall be a sum of the following points per match.

Match won 3-0; 3-1	- 3 points
Match won 3-2	- 2 points
Match lost 2-3	- 1 point
Match lost 1-3; 0-3	- 0 point
Match forfeited	- 0 point (25-0; 25-0; 25-0)

If two (2) or more teams have the same number of match points after the preliminary round is completed, the teams will be classified in the following sequence:

1. The first tiebreaker is the highest Point ratio (number of points scored divided by number of points lost).
2. If the first tiebreaker fails, the second tiebreaker is the highest Set ratio (number of sets won divided by the number of sets lost).
3. If the second tiebreaker fails, the third tiebreaker is the head-to-head result between two tied teams. If there are three or more teams involved in a tiebreaker, there will be a drawing of lots.

4.8. Officials

4.8.1. Referee

Allocation of the referees to conduct the matches will be made by the technical committee. Where possible, referees shall be in possession of an FIVB international referee license valid. However, referees with national accreditation may be used.

Deaf referees are welcome subject to following these rules. The organising committee will cover the costs for hotel and food.

4.8.2. Appointment

The Organising Committee shall appoint an appropriate number of the scorers and also –but not a requirement- line judges, ball retrievers, floor sweepers etc.

4.9. Withdrawal

If a team withdraws after the Champions League is started or is disqualified during the pool matches, the pool must continue without this team or a replacement. The matches played by the team concerned will not be taken into consideration.

5. VENUES

5.1. Competition Venue

The Volleyball competitions will take place at Halls: "Bloso Brugge", Nijverheidsstraat 112 - 8310 Brugge Assebroek

5.1.1 Courts

There is 3 Volleyball courts in this hall.

5.1.2. Flooring

The competition court surface is Gerflor Taraflex ® Sport M Plus.

5.2. Training Venue

There will be no opportunity to do some training because lack of time.

6. SCHEDULE

6.1. Competition Schedule Refer to the competition schedule on the hosting competitions website. <http://www.dvcl.org> and [www.facebook.com/ deaf Volleyball Champions League](http://www.facebook.com/deafVolleyballChampionsLeague)

6.2. Training Schedule There will be no opportunity to do some training.

6.3. Technical Meeting

6.3.1 Date and Location

The first Technical Meeting will be held at 25 November 21:00 Meeting room "Auditorium", Bloso Brugge, Nijverheidsstraat 112 - 8310 Brugge Assebroek

The second Technical Meeting will be held at Friday 27 November Meeting room "Auditorium", Bloso Brugge, Nijverheidsstraat 112 - 8310 Brugge Assebroek 21:00

6.3.2. Attendance Each participating club may be represented by two (2) officials, of whom at least one (1) must be deaf and, if necessary, an interpreter.

6.3.3. Warming in the 4th field possible

7. CONTROL AND SANCTIONS

7.1. Hearing Devices

The use of any hearing devices(s)/amplification or external cochlear implant parts is strictly forbidden from the restricted zone area.

7.1.1. Restricted Zone Area

The restricted zone area is in effect from the time athletes enter on the volleyball court during the warm-up and competition period.

8. PROTESTS

8.1. Procedure for lodging a protest All sport related protests will be resolved in accordance to the FIVB Rules and Regulations and will be managed by the Volleyball Protest Committee.

Duisburg/Germany, 13 November 2015

Matthias Bork
DVCL President