BEACH - VOLLEY BALL REGULATIONS

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1. Organization

- a. The Beach-Volleyball (B.V.) Committee of the 18th Maccabiah will be responsible for the B.V. competitions of the 18th Maccabiah.
- b. The competition will be conducted according to the rules of the International Volleyball Federation (B.V. Committee), the English text will be binding.
- b. Participation in the competition is open to any athlete who is in possession of a Participant Card issued by the Organizing Committee of the 18th Maccabiah and registered the Beach-Volleyball competitions.
- c. Each country may enter two teams of 4 athletes (2 players and 2 reserves) for female competitions, two teams of 4 athletes (2 players and 2 reserves) for male competitions, two teams of 4 athletes (2 players and 2 reserves) for junior (1991-1994) girls' competitions and two teams of 4 athletes (2 players and 2 reserves) for junior (1991-1994) boys' competitions. In case of less than 12 teams registered, countries will be allowed to enter the reserve players as an extra team.
- e. Each game team may consist of two players only, approved by the Volleyball Committee.

2. Venues and times

- a. The B.V. Committee of the 18th Maccabiah will determine venues and times of the B.V. competitions and the teams will be notified accordingly.
- b. The B.V. Committee is authorized to change the venues and times of the competitions. These decisions will be final.

3. Game ball

- a. The games will be played with Molten Beach-Volleyball balls.
- b. The B.V. Committee is authorized to change the brand name of balls, if necessary, and these decisions will be final.

4. Duration of game

- a. Each match, except the final, will be played according to Format A in the official Beach-Volleyball rules' book.
- Final match will be played according to Format B in the official Beach-Volleyball rules' book.
- c. Matches will be played from 08.00 in the morning until 18.00 in natural light.

5. System of competition

SYSTEM A - up to 7 teams

- a. The competitions will be played on a league basis of double round robin.
- b. The winner of each game will be awarded two points, the loser one point. For a technical loss no points will be awarded.
- c. In the event of two or more teams having the same number of league points, classification will be determined according to the games points' quotient (credit amount of points scored divided by debit amount of points scored).
- d. In the event of two or more teams having the same number of league points and the same games points' quotient, classification will be made according to the number of wins. The team with the higher number of wins will be placed in the better place.

- e. In the event that after the above mentioned, equality still exists between teams, classification will be made according to the number of credit games points scored, i.e. the team scoring more games points in the league will take the higher place.
- f. If equality still exists between teams qualification will be made by the same system described in paragraphs c, d, and e above taking into consideration only the games between the teams that are still in a state of equality.
- g. If equality still persists, placing will be decided by a draw.
- h. The first two teams in the league will compete for the title: "18th Maccabiah Champion."
- i. The teams in places 3 and 4 in the league will compete for the third place.

SYSTEM B- if the number of teams will be 8-12.

- a. The teams will be divided into 2 groups by a draw.
- b. In the event of that after the draw, one or more teams will not appear and a situation arises whereby a group is short of two teams, the team drawn last will be moved from one group to another.
- c. Teams will be classified in their groups according to their achievements, as described in System A.
- d. The semi final games will be played on the Cross Knock-Out System, i.e., the team placed first in **Group A** will play against the team placed second in **Group B** and team placed second in **Group B**.
- e. The two winning teams in the semi finals will play in the final game for 1st and 2nd places and the two losing teams in the semi finals will play for 3rd and 4th places.
- f. When there are 8 teams, the teams placed 3rd and 4th in each group will play on the same system for places 5-8.

SYSTEM C - if the number of teams will be 13-18

- a. The teams will be divided into 4 groups by draw.
- b. First round will be played on a double round robin league system and the teams will be placed accordingly in each group as described in System A.
- c. The guarterfinals will include 8 teams as follows:

Group 1	Group 2
1st Group A	1st Group B
2nd Group B	2nd Group A
1st Group C	1st Group D
2nd Group D	2nd Group C

- d. Games in each group will be played in a single round robin league system and teams will be placed accordingly in each group as described in System A.
- e. $\underline{\text{Semi Final Games}}$ will be held in the "Cross Knock-Out" system as follows:
 - 1) 1^{st} Group 1 vs. 2^{nd} Group 2
 - 1) 2nd Group 1 vs. 1st Group 2
- f. Games for places 1 to 4 will be held as follows:

Loser Semi Final 1 vs. Loser Semi Final 2 for places 3 - 4 Winner Semi Final 1 vs. Winner Semi Final 2 for places 1 - 2.

- g. Parallel to the final games, the teams placed third and fourth in the quarter final groups, will play in the same system for places 5-8.
 - 3) 3rd group 1 vs. 4th group 2
 - 4) 4th group 1 vs. 3rd group 2
- h. Games for places 5 to 8 will be held as follows:

Loser of game 3 vs. loser of game 4, for places 7-8.

Winner of game 3 vs. winner of game 4, for places 5-6.

6. Draw

The draw of the teams in the groups will be a public draw.

7. Referees

The Beach Volleyball Committee will select a Referees' Committee, which in turn will appoint referees for all the games.

8. General

- a. These regulations are but one part of the complete 18th Maccabiah regulations, and must be read along with the instructions found in "Basic Regulations and Disciplinary Procedures".
- b. In the event of a discrepancy between the regulations written here and those appearing in the "Basic Regulations", the regulations written here will apply and be binding.