

Presidents of the Continental Confederations
Presidents of the National Federations
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FIVB Board of Administration Members

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By email only

FIVB Board of Administration - recent decisions

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Reference is made to the recent decisions taken on 14 April 2021 by the FIVB Board of Administration ("FIVB BoA") regarding: 1) authorised identifications at the Games of the XXXII Olympiad Tokyo 2020 – athlete uniform guideline, 2) the FIVB Volleyball Challenger Cup (VCC) 2021 and the FIVB Volleyball Nations League (VNL) 2021, and 3) the Volleyball Calendar 2021 – Continental Club Championships. All three decisions can be summarised as follows:

<u>Decision #1</u> Authorised Identifications at the Games of the XXXII Olympiad Tokyo 2020 — athlete uniform guideline

The FIVB BoA has authorised the Italian Volleyball Federation and the French Volleyball Federation to display the relevant NOC emblems on their Beach Volleyball and Volleyball National Team uniform during the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020. For the avoidance of doubt, the same policy shall be applied for any future requests from any of participating National Volleyball Federations.

<u>Decision #2 FIVB Volleyball Challenger Cup (VCC) 2021 and FIVB Volleyball Nations</u> <u>League (VNL) 2021</u>

In light of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the FIVB BoA cancelled the FIVB Volleyball Challenger Cup ("VCC") 2021 scheduled to take place from 30 June to 4 July 2021 in Croatia (women) and Portugal (men) , and, consequently, to cancel the relegation system of the last ranked Challenger team of the FIVB Volleyball Nations League ("VNL") 2021.





The qualification system to the next edition of the VCC (2022) will start anew, and the teams qualified to the VCC 2021 will not be guaranteed a place in the VCC 2022. Additionally, the sixteen (16) teams participating in each gender of the VNL 2021 will also participate in the VNL 2022 edition.

Decision #3 Volleyball Calendar 2021 – Continental Club Championships

Due to the impact of the COVID19 pandemic on sports calendars and the National Team season starting in May 2021, the FIVB BoA authorised Continental Confederations to hold their respective 2021 Continental Club Championships / Finals at the beginning of the 2021-2022 National League Season, provided such events are held:

- a) as of 17 September 2021 for women's competition and as of 1 October 2021 for the men's competition;
- b) as early as possible in order not to impact the qualification to the FIVB Volleyball Club World Championships 2021; and
- c) in alignment with the national league activities in the respective confederation's territory.

For the avoidance of doubt, the respective 2021 Continental Club Championships / Finals will be part of the new National League season (2021-2022). Therefore, any foreign players playing in the relevant participating clubs will require new International Transfer Certificates (ITC) in accordance with Article 6 of the FIVB Sports Regulations 2020. No ITCs for the 2020-2021 season will be extended in the context of this decision.

Thank you for your consideration.

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FIVB President

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