

JUNIOR BEACH VOLLEYBALL – ASIAN CHAMPIONSHIP AND WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP SELECTION POLICY 2020 (updated)

Note: These events have been rescheduled to 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

A. Vision

The vision of Volleyball Australia's High Performance Program is to achieve sustainable medal winning results in Olympic Beach Volleyball competition.

B. Objective

The objective of this Selection Policy is to provide the framework that underpins VA's performance aspirations to achieve a top 4 result at the U19 Asian Beach Volleyball Championships and top 8 result at FIVB World U19 Beach Volleyball Championships.

A primary consideration in the selection process will be the potential of the teams/athletes to qualify for and achieve a top 8 result at a subsequent FIVB U21 World Beach Volleyball Championships.

Preamble

- C.** This Selection Policy applies to Men's and Women's Under Age Beach Volleyball National Teams for 2020. It will apply to the following selection decisions
1. Selection of teams/athletes to compete in the 2020 U19 Asian Beach Volleyball Championships
 2. Selection of teams/athletes to compete in the 2020 FIVB Beach Volleyball U19 World Championships
- D.** The Policy will be applied by the Selection Committee, which will make recommendations to the VA Board for ratification. The Selection Committee will consist of:
- VA Technical Director (Chair)
 - VA Head Coach, Beach Volleyball
 - Head Coach, Australian Volleyball Academy
 - VA Beach Volleyball National Training Centre Coach
 - One or two other person(s) with Beach Volleyball coaching experience with this athlete cohort, but unconnected to the teams/athletes standing for selection.
- E.** If a member of the Selection Committee has a direct coaching relationship or other close connection with a team or athlete being considered for selection, that person will disclose that relationship. Subsequent participation in the selection decision concerning that team, will be at the Chair's discretion.
- F.** The criteria listed below will be applied in each selection decision. However, the weight given to each criterion will be totally at the discretion of the Selection Committee, and the weight may vary dependent on the selection decision being considered, and the timing of that decision.
- G.** The dates for the making of the various selection decisions are listed below as indicative and these may

change at the recommendation of the Selection Committee.

- H. The Selection Committee may propose any amendments to this Policy to the VA Board at any time. Such amendments are only valid when adopted by the VA Board.

Selection Criteria

In making the selection decisions referred to in C above, the Selection Committee will take into account the following Selection Criteria

- VA and FIVB eligibility criteria
- Must be born on January 1st 2002 and thereafter
- Individual performances in 2019, 2020 and 2021 Beach Volleyball and Volleyball competitions (domestic and international) and national camps (Junior Development Program, Australian Volleyball Academy)
- The assessed ability of the team/athletes to achieve the best results in the event concerned in the Selection Decision
- The assessed potential for development as individuals for future Olympic and Commonwealth Games Teams
- The team’s/athlete’s injury, fitness and competition readiness status
- The team’s/athlete’s commitment to following the National direction as specified by the Head Coach, Technical Director, and Senior Coaches
- The team’s/athlete’s availability to compete in and prepare for the Asian Championships and/or World Championships for their targeted age group

Selection Timelines

The following are indicative dates for the Selection Decisions mentioned above. They may change as circumstances, entry closing dates and calendars change.

2020 Asian U19 Beach Volleyball Championships	7 Days Prior to Entry Closing Date
2020 FIVB U19 Beach Volleyball World Championships	7 Days Prior to Entry Closing Date

VA Eligibility Criteria

In order to be chosen by VA as a member of a National Beach Volleyball team to compete in International events (including International events held in Australia) each athlete must:

- a. have a current and valid Australian Passport;
- b. not have represented another country in any sport for the preceding two years;
- c. be, or be eligible to immediately become, a registered and financial member of a State or Territory volleyball governing body that is a Member of VA (as the term “Member” is defined in the Constitution); and
- d. be compliant with all applicable anti-doping policies, including those of FIVB and VA; and
- e. be free of any injury or illness which will or has the potential to impair, inhibit or prevent the athlete from performing at the requisite level; and



- f. be compliant with any eligibility guidelines published from time to time by the FIVB or the AVC, including rules and guidelines which apply to eligibility to represent Australia in the sport of Beach Volleyball.

Selection Decision

The decision of the Selection Panel, once approved by the Volleyball Australia Board, will be final and no appeals will be considered.

