



Entries and Eligibility

Maximum number of athletes per CGA:

Qualification for beach volleyball athletes is in accordance with the Beach Volleyball Athlete Allocation System.

Athlete Eligibility:

There are no additional eligibility conditions for beach volleyball athletes to be eligible for endorsement by a CGA.

Competition Pools for GC2018:

Women	Men
Pool A	Pool A
Australia	Australia
Scotland	Trinidad and Tobago
Grenada	St Kitts and Nevis
Cyprus	Fiji
Pool B	Pool B
Canada	Canada
England	Scotland
Trinidad and Tobago	Sri Lanka
Fiji	Sierra Leone
Pool C	Pool C
New Zealand	England
Vanuatu	New Zealand
Singapore	Cyprus
Rwanda	Mozambique

General eligibility conditions:

To be eligible for CGA endorsement, an athlete must comply with the following general eligibility conditions:

- Not be currently under disqualification or suspension by the CGF, or their respective Affiliated CGA or IF or under the World Anti-Doping Code.
- Complied with all applicable rules and regulations of the CGF, IF and the World Anti-Doping Code as may be modified and applied by the Federation to ensure that the overriding principles of the Commonwealth Games are observed.
- Met with the CGF's eligibility standards in accordance with the CGF Constitution.

Age requirements:

There are no additional FIVB age regulations for beach volleyball events of GC2018.

CGF Eligibility:

Subject to Byelaw 17(2), as a condition of entry to compete in the Commonwealth Games, all competitors must be citizens or subjects of the Commonwealth country which enters them and must:

- Not be currently under disqualification or suspension by the Federation, or their respective Affiliated CGA or IF or under the World Anti-Doping Code.



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- Comply with all applicable rules and regulations of the Federation, their respective international federations and the World Anti-Doping Code as may be modified and applied by the Federation to ensure that the overriding principles of the Commonwealth Games are observed.

Subject to Byelaw 17(3), where a competitor was born in a Commonwealth country which has common citizenship/passport with other Commonwealth countries, the competitor may initially represent either the competitor's Commonwealth country of birth; or the Commonwealth country of birth of his or her father or mother who shares the same citizenship/passport.

After having represented one Commonwealth country at the Commonwealth Games, a competitor may not represent another Commonwealth country unless he or she receives approval of the Federation, the relevant IF and Affiliated CGAs of the two Commonwealth countries concerned. Applications under this byelaw must be submitted to the Executive Board at least 12 months prior to the commencement of the Games.

It is the responsibility of all Affiliated CGAs to ensure that their competitors are fully aware of, and comply with, the eligibility rules of the Federation.

The Executive Board shall have the power to waive the provisions of Byelaw 17 (1-3) at its discretion.

Qualification Pathways:

The CGF introduced a series of qualification pathways for beach volleyball at GC2018.

a) Direct qualification

The top four CGA nations on the FIVB world ranking (men and women) as at 31 October 2017 will earn direct qualification.

In the event the final slot of qualification has been achieved by more than two CGA-nation teams, the CGA to be allocated the slot will be identified in priority order according to the following:

- CGA with highest sum of athlete's technical points as at 31 October 2017 will earn the spot for its CGA nation; and
- In the case of a further tie, the CGA identified at the discretion of the FIVB and CGF based on international competition results during the period of 1 January 2014 – 31 October 2017.

b) Continental representation

The top CGA nation from four FIVB regions of AVC, CAVB, CEV and NORCECA/CSV as well as the top CGA from Oceania (as defined by the CGF) not yet qualified through direct qualification or home nation representation will qualify one slot to be awarded by the CGA. Places will be determined by the highest placed CGA not yet qualified from designated FIVB regional events held in 2017.

c) Home nation automatic qualification (Australian CGA)

d) FIVB/CGF invitation

FIVB/CGF invitation slots will be awarded to two CGA at FIVB/CGF sole and absolute discretion.

In making determinations on allocated slots, FIVB and CGF may consider factors including, but not limited to:

1. Field depth and competition strength
2. International, regional and national competition results, including strength of competition and consistency of performance
3. Universality. Best endeavours will be made to ensure representation of at least four CGF regions



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4. Widely and regularly practicing national athletes
 5. Demonstrated availability of athletes to participate at GC2018
 6. Any other factor(s) considered relevant by FIVB and CGF