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5th USPE European Police Championship Volleyball Women

8th – 15th September 2024
in Saarbrücken/Germany

Invitation to Enter

The German Police Sports Board (DPSK) was entrusted by the Union Sportive des Polices d' Europe (USPE) with the organisation of the 5th USPE European Police Championship (EPC) Volleyball Women from 8th to 15th September 2024 in Saarbrücken/Germany.

The following regulations are issued for the 5th USPE EPC Volleyball Women.

They have been adopted on the basis of the Statutes, Rules and Regulations, Competition Rules and Anti-Doping-Regulations of the USPE.



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1. General organiser

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2. Organiser

German Police Sports Board (DPSK)

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4. Date

Arrival: 8th September 2024

Departure: 15th September 2024

5. Venue

The competition takes place at:

Sportcampus Saar
Hermann-Neuberger-Sportschule 4,
66123 Saarbrücken



6. Accommodation

All participants, delegates and guests will be accommodated in:

Intercity Hotel, Hafenstrasse 25, 66111 Saarbrücken

E-mail: saarbrücken@intercityhotel.com

Phone: +49 681 – 950 70 000

Web: www.intercityhotel.com

The meals for the teams will start with dinner on 8th September 2024 and end with breakfast on 15th September 2024.

7. Travel Information

7.1 Travel information

The organiser will provide the shuttle from the airports of Saarbrücken, Luxemburg, Cologne, Stuttgart, Frankfurt/Main and Frankfurt/Main-Hahn as well as the railway station of Saarbrücken according to the travelling details of the delegations. Teams arriving by their own car/bus are requested to go directly to the hotel.

7.2 Shuttle service

The organiser will provide shuttle services during this EPC.

8. Safety Requirements

The host has to make sure that all safety requirements are met according to the rules of the respective sport discipline.

The host has to ensure that a medical first aid responder will be present at the competitions.

The host is responsible for a safety and security analysis of the risks during this EPC to determine the necessary precautions and measures.

9. Insurance

Everyone involved in the USPE EPC Volleyball Women is responsible for his/her own insurance cover. The participating member countries are responsible for and undertake to conclude all necessary and adequate insurance cover (e.g. accident and health insurance) for their whole delegation members at their own expense for the whole duration of this EPC. Claims for damages against the USPE are expressly excluded.

10. Competition Rules

The provisions of the USPE Competition Rules, paragraph 4.4 shall apply. Please find them on the USPE Website under the following link:

https://www.uspe.org/statuten/2023_01_01_USPE_Compétitions_Rules_ENG.pdf

The Final Round will be played in a Group Stage considered of two groups with four teams where each team will play against the other in its group. After the group stage, the first two teams of each group will play crossover in the Semi-Finals for the Bronze Final and Final. Teams placed in groups as third and fourth will play in matches for their final placement.

Classification during the Group Stage

1. Match points

Match won	(3-0 or 3-1)	3 points
Match won	(3-2)	2 points
Match lost	(2-3)	1 point
Match lost	(0-3 or 1-3)	0 points

2. Set quotient

3. Set points quotient

4. The winner of the match opposing the two concerned teams is classified above the loser.

There is a tie between participants when each participant has the same number of matches won. In case of a tie, the standing of the participants is established by using the following criteria in the following mentioned order, until the tie ends:

- a. In descending order by the number of allocated points for won and lost matches,
- b. In descending order by the set quotient resulting from the division of all sets won by all sets lost during the Final Round,
- c. In descending order by the set points quotient resulting from the division of all set points scored by all sets points lost during the Final Round,
- d. In descending order by the result(s) of the match(es) played between them.
- e. draw

11. Event

11.1 Draw and mode of the Final Round

The draw for the Group Stage of the Final Round will take place during the 16th USPE EPC Judo on 15th June 2024 in Sofia/ Bulgaria with the attendance of USPE officials and the delegates from the participating countries on site.

Germany, as organiser, is seeded as A1 and the Czech Republic, as 2nd-placed at the last USPE EPC Volleyball Women 2019, is seeded as B1.

The six remaining qualified member countries – Belgium, Finland, Greece, Italy, the Netherlands and Norway – will be drawn by lot for the respective positions (A2-A4, B2-B4).

	Group A		Group B
A1	Germany	B1	Czech Republic
A2		B2	
A3		B3	
A4		B4	

11.2 Competition area

The Matches will be played at
 Sportcampus Saar
 Hermann-Neuberger-Sportschule 4,
 66123 Saarbrücken
 Multifunktionshalle 8
<https://sportcampus-saar.de/anfahrt-parken/>,
 which is located nearby the hotel (car distance of about 20 minutes depending on the traffic).

11.3 Participants

According to item 4.4.2 of the USPE Competition Rules in the Final Round each member union shall be allowed to enter up to 14 players as well as up to four attendants. The list of the players is closed during the accreditation. No changes will be allowed after.

11.4 Team Sport equipment

The official ball for the Final Round will be "MIKASA V200W".

Teams must have a minimum of 2 sets of shirts and:

- All teams shall wear uniform sportswear displaying the emblems of their individual member union.
- Each team will have to envisage 2 sets of shirts of various colours. During the control, the team leader of delegations will have to indicate their set A and B of the shirts. The teams "home" (named first) will play with the set A of the shirts, the teams "guest" (named second) will play with a various colour of the shirts.

In the event of similar colours at the time of a match, the named team second must change their shirt.

- The jerseys of the players must have numbers on the front and on the back according to the international rules. Numbers on the shorts are not mandatory.

Every player has to play with the same number during the whole Final Round of the 5th USPE EPC Volleyball Women 2024.

11.5 Official Training

Official training will be arranged on the arrival day with approx. 45 – 60 minutes for each team in the competition hall depending on the arrival.

11.6 Laundry/Gym/Additional Services

The organiser provides a fitness studio during the stay. This is located in the police area on Mainzer Straße in Saarbrücken. A shuttle service will be arranged.

The organiser will offer to wash the jerseys. Further details will be announced.

11.7 Decorations and honours

The winner of the Final Round of the 5th USPE EPC Volleyball Women 2024 is "European Police Champion".



- Medals:
Teams taking the first, second and third place are awarded with medals.
- Other awards:
The organiser will award special prizes to:
best spiker, best block, best libero and best player overall.

12. Referees

The provisions of the USPE Competition Rules, item 2.4, shall apply.

The organiser is in charge of ensuring that there are a sufficient number of referees. The minimum standard for the referees is the highest national level.

Exceptions to this must be approved by the competent member of the Technical Commission in charge for the respective sport and the USPE Secretary General.

According to item 2.4.2 of the USPE Competition Rules, in Volleyball each country qualified for the Final Round must provide a referee.

In case of non-compliance, the respective country has to pay an additional fee to the USPE. This fee will be transferred to the organiser to pay for a substitute referee. The amount of the fee (500,00 €) is fixed by the USPE Executive Committee.

13. Provisional Timetable

Sunday, 8th September 2024

During the day	Arrival, Control, Accreditation, Training (Depends on the arrival of the teams)
19:00 – 21:00	Dinner at the hotel
21:00 – 22:00	Technical Meeting

Monday, 9th September 2024

1 st Matchday	
09:00 – 09:45	Opening Ceremony
11:00	A1 – A2
13:30	B1 – B2
16:00	A3 – A4
18:30	B3 – B4



Tuesday, 10th September 2024

2nd Matchday

09:00	A2 – A4
12:00	B2 – B4
15:00	B1 – B3
18:00	A1 – A3

Wednesday, 11th September 2024

3rd Matchday

09:00 h	B2 – B3
12:00 h	A2 – A3
15:00 h	B1 – B4
18:00 h	A1 – A4

Thursday, 12th September 2024

Day off

Friday, 13th September 2024

09:00	Match for place 7	4 th Group A – 4 th Group B
12:00	Match for place 5	3 rd Group A – 3 rd Group B
15:00	Semi-Final 1	1 st Group B – 2 nd Group A
18:00	Semi-Final 2	1 st Group A – 2 nd Group B

Saturday, 14th September 2024

09:30	Bronze Final	Looser SF1 – Looser SF2
15:00	Final	Winner SF1 – Winner SF2
	Award Ceremony and Closing Ceremony	
20:30	Gala Dinner	

Sunday, 15th September 2024

Departure

14. Jury of Appeal

The provisions of the USPE Rules and Regulations, Article R 19, shall apply.

The appeal jury is installed at each European Police Championship. It is responsible for all appeals concerning the organisation and the regular course of events of the championship in question. It is comprised of:

1. USPE Secretary General Andreas Röhner or his appointed deputy as chairperson,
2. USPE Technical Delegate for Volleyball, Mr. Dirk Weninger,
3. Polizeihauptkommissar, René Dewes, Tournament director
4. Ralph Barnstorf, Head Referee

All appeals have to be made in writing by the delegate or one of the attendants of the member union in question within less than an hour after the end of the fixing or the publication of the results unless the respective international sport rules specify different.

The delegate or one of the attendants of the member union has to enclose an appeal fee with the appeal in order for the appeal to be valid. The deposited sum will be refunded to its owner if the appeal proves to be justified. If the appeal is rejected the sum deposited is retained by the USPE.

15. Eligibility to start

The provisions of the Statutes, the Rules and Regulations, the Competition Rules as well as the Anti-Doping Regulations of the USPE shall apply. They have to satisfy the provisions set out in Article 23 of the USPE Statutes.

The participation in USPE Championships is restricted to athletes, who

1. meet the starting requirements of their international union,
2. belong to a national sports organisation that is a member of the USPE,
3. actually is a member of police organisation/force at the time of the championship or
4. are police students at a public police academy,
5. have reached the age of 18 at the time of the Championships or the Preliminary Rounds,
6. have signed the Anti-Doping Declaration and
7. submit the USPE Declaration of Participation signed by the respective President/Secretary General to the competent member of the Technical Commission.



The police are a set of all bodies and institutions in charge of maintenance of public law and order (administrative police and crime investigation departments).

Military police, members of the military, members of the fire brigades and civil servants that do not belong to the police are excluded from the European Police Championships and the Preliminary Rounds.

Competitors suspended from sports contests by the USPE or by the respective sports association due to having violated the relevant doping regulations are not eligible to enter.

16. Accreditation/Verification of eligibility to enter

For verification of a person's eligibility, the police ID and passport or national ID-card (including a photo) must be presented to the delegate of the USPE. In case of a document deficiency, the permission to start may be refused.

According to the USPE Statutes, all participating countries must present the USPE Declaration of Participation for each athlete who will participate, signed by the respective President or Secretary General.

Without the Declaration the participation in the USPE EPC Volleyball Women 2024 is not possible!

The competent member of the USPE Technical Commission, Mr. Dirk Weninger, will supervise the verification during the accreditation.

To ensure an effortless procedure, the teams must complete the Declaration of Participation Form prior to accreditation.

17. Anti-Doping

Doping tests (urine and/or blood) will be conducted during the USPE EPC Volleyball Women with the current WADA list of prohibited substances being applicable (www.wada-ama.org).

According to the USPE Statutes, all participating athletes must present the self-signed USPE Anti-Doping Declaration.

Without this Declaration the participation in the USPE EPC Volleyball Women 2024 is not possible!

Please note the data protection notices for the Anti-Doping Declaration:
https://www.uspe.org/AntidopingDokumente/Data_protection_notices_USPE_Anti_Doping_Declaration.pdf.

Each athlete can apply for TUE, i.e. permission to use, for therapeutic purposes, substances or methods contained in the list of prohibited substances or methods where use would otherwise be prohibited.

Please note the data protection notices for the TUE Application Form:
https://www.uspe.org/AntidopingDokumente/Template_USPE_TUE_Application_Form.pdf.

More information is available on the USPE website under:
www.uspe.org.

18. Financial provisions

18.1 Travelling expenses

Each member union will pay for its own travelling expenses.

18.2 Board and lodging

The respective invoices have to be paid one month before arrival. Each participating member union and guest are obliged to indicate a billing address (e-mail) to the organiser of this USPE EPC.

Each member union has to pay for board and lodging as follows:

Delegate

The organiser will pay for the expenses incurred by the delegate (Article R 11 of the USPE Rules and Regulations) of the participating member union.

Team

For every other participant (athlete/attendant) 60,00 € per person / per night must be paid to the organiser (Article R 14/3 of the Rules and Regulations).

Guests

Guests of this EPC must cover the actual costs of the overnight stay. The Intercity Hotel does not differentiate between single and double rooms when it comes to prices. Furthermore, the hotel rooms depend on the daily price.

As of 2nd May 2024, an overnight stay per day with full board including the final event would be 200,00 €.



The hotel will send the respective invoices for the guests.

Inquiries in this regard should be directed to:

LPP-EPM2024@polizei.slpol.de

18.3 Registration fee

Prior to a championship, each participating country has to pay a registration fee in the amount of 500,00 € to the USPE before the opening of the championship. The USPE General Treasurer will send the respective invoices in time.

19. Registration

Each participating member country is requested to enter the following information within the following deadlines in the USPE Online Registration Tool for this EPC:

Number of participants	10th May 2024
Names of the participants	26th July 2024
Travelling details	8th August 2024

20. Restriction of personality rights

The corresponding agreement (art. 6, par. 1 lit, and art. 7 European General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)) of all participants (athletes, delegates, attendants) allowing the use of personal data during the competition, during the preparation for the competition, as well as after the competition and follow-up documentation of the competition in pictures and video sequences as PR procedures, for example by the USPE, has been obtained by the participating member country and is at hand in the original.

All needed documents referring to Data protection are available to download on the USPE website:

https://www.uspe.org/data_protection.php.

It is the responsibility of the participating member country to ensure that every participant from their member country has consented to the GDPR agreement and the original consent document should be held by the member country.



21. Downloads

All needed documents are available to download on the USPE website under:

<https://www.uspe.org/downloadcenter.php>.

It is in the responsibility of all participating countries to present all needed documents to the responsible USPE Technical Delegate for Volleyball, Mr. Dirk Weninger, during the accreditation.

22. Disclaimer

The USPE and the hosts shall not assume any liability in the event of accidents, theft and other events of damage or loss.

The disclaimer shall be recognised upon registration for the event.

23. Notes

One contestant per team has to wear **the police uniform** of their respective country at the Opening Ceremony.

As to the Final Banquet all participants are requested to attend adequately dressed to suit the occasion (no blue jeans).

All teams shall wear uniform sportswear displaying the emblem of their individual member union.

Signed in the original

Andreas Röhner
USPE Secretary General

Dr. Maren Freyher
Chairperson DPSK