4th USPE European Police Championship
Volleyball Women

7th – 14th October 2019
in Prague-Odolena Voda/Czech Republic

Invitation to Enter

The Union of the police sports clubs Czech Republic (UNITOP CR) was entrusted by the Union Sportive des Polices d’ Europe (USPE) with the organisation of the 4th USPE European Police Championship Volleyball Women in Prague-Odolena Voda/Czech Republic from 7th – 14th October 2019.

The following regulations are issued for the Final Round of the USPE EPC Volleyball Women 2019. 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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   Union Sportive des Polices d’Europe (USPE)

2. **Organiser**
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3. **Date**
   Arrival: 07th October 2019
   Departure: 14th October 2019
4. **Venue**

The competition takes place at
Sportovní hala Odolena Voda
Ke Stadionu 375,
Odolena Voda, 250 70

5. **Accommodation/Travelling**

All participants, delegates and guests will be accommodated in the
Olsanka hotel***
Prague 3
13000, street Taboritska 23/1000
www.hotelolsanka.cz

The meals for the teams will start with dinner on 7th October 2019 and
end with breakfast on 14th October 2019. Eating schedule will be
specified in the information “Welcome” upon arrival.

The organiser will provide the transportation from Prague Airport/Train
station according to the travelling details of the delegations.

Teams arriving with their own car/bus are requested to go directly to
the to the hotel.

**Delegations which need a VISA are requested to contact the host in time.**

Shuttles during the championship:
The organiser will provide all shuttles during the EPC. The exact
schedules will be given to the delegations on the arrival day.
Teams arriving with their own bus/car are asked to use it for the
transport of the own team.

6. **Safety Requirements**

The organiser has to make sure that all safety requirements are met
according to the rules of the respective sport discipline.
The organiser has to ensure that a medical first aid will be present at
the competition.

The organiser is responsible for a safety and security analysis of the
risks during the EPC to determine the necessary precautions and
measures.
7. **Insurance**

Everyone involved in the USPE EPC 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 the USPE EPC. Claims for damages against the USPE are expressly excluded.

8. **Competition rules**

The provisions of the USPE Competition Rules, paragraph 4.4 shall apply.

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.

8.1 **Participants/Draw**

Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Russia, Slovakia and United Kingdom have registered to participate at this USPE EPC.

Czech Republic as the host and Russia as the winner of the last USPE EPC Volleyball Women are directly qualified.

All other teams had to qualify in a Preliminary Round.

The winner of each group as well as the two best second teams have been qualified for the Final Round.

Winner Group A: Netherlands
Winner Group B: Greece
Winner Group C: Hungary
Winner Group D: Germany
Best two seconds: Belgium (2\textsuperscript{nd} Group A)
United Kingdom (2\textsuperscript{nd} Group C)
The draw for the Final Round took place during the USPE EPC Shooting 2019 in Suhl/Germany on 18th June 2019.

Czech Republic as the organiser and Russia as the last Champion were set as A1/B1.

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For the Final Round, every team will be able to engage one delegate, 12 players and up to 4 attendants.

The list of the players will be closed during the accreditation. No changes will be allowed later.

8.2 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.

8.3 Equipment

Official ball for the Final Round:
MIKASA MVA 200 (Colour)

Team sport equipment
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 the set B of the shirts. In the event of similar colours at the time of a match, the named team second must change their shirt.

The shirts of the players of the Final Round must have numbers on the front and on the back. Every Player has to play with the same number the whole Final Round of the USPE EPC Volleyball Women 2019.

8.4 Decorations and honours

The winner of the Final Round of an EPC is “European Police Champion”.

Medals  
Teams taking first, second and third places are awarded with prize medals.

Other prizes  
The organiser will award special prizes to: the best spiker, best service, best block, best libero and best player overall.

8.5 Official Training

Official training will be arranged the 2\textsuperscript{nd} day of the stay with 60 minutes for each team in the competition hall.

8.6 Laundry/Additional Services and Training

The organiser offers laundry of the shirt-sets. They have to be given to the team guide at least at the evening and will be received the next morning. The costs for the laundry will be 90.00 CZK each set.

The hotel's sports centre offers various possibilities for warming up (in a badminton hall) and regeneration options (swimming pool, massage rooms, wellness “Sauna world”). The organiser has the possibility to arrange a sports hall for Volleyball close to the hotel, if a team needs extra training.

The prices for these offers will be given to the teams with the team-manual, which will be sent by the organiser in August.
Expenses of the laundry as well as additional services and training have to be paid by the respective teams.

The organiser is planning to provide live-timing and a live-stream on their website (www.police-volleyball.com).

9. **Referees**

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

The organiser is in charge of ensuring a sufficient number of referees.

Each country qualified for the Final Round must provide a referee. In case of non-compliance, the respective country has to pay an additional registration 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.

The minimum standard for referees is the highest national level.

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

The organiser is responsible for the accommodation and food of the referees provided by the participating countries.

All other expenses have to be paid by the respective member country.

10. **Provisional Timetable**

**6th October 2019**

During the day  Arrival of the USPE Technical Delegate, Inspection venue, Meeting with organising committee and head referee

**7th October 2019**

During the day  Arrival, accreditation, control of the documents

Technical Meeting
8th October 2019
Training day
60 minutes of training for each team at the venue
Referees meeting
Opening Ceremony

9th October 2019
1st Matchday
09:00 h Czech Republic – Belgium
11:00 h Russia – Greece
15:00 h Germany – Netherlands
17:00 h Hungary – United Kingdom

10th October 2019
2nd Matchday
09:00 h Greece – United Kingdom
11:00 h Belgium – Netherlands
15:00 h Russia – Hungary
17:00 h Czech Republic – Germany

11th October 2019
3rd Matchday
09:00 h Belgium – Germany
11:00 h Greece – Hungary
15:00 h Czech Republic – Netherlands
17:00 h Russia – United Kingdom

12th October 2019
4th Matchday
09:00 h Semi-final 1
No. 1 Group B – No. 2 Group A
11:00 h Semi-final 2
No. 1 Group A – No. 2 Group B
15:00 h Match for Place 7
No. 4 Group A – No. 4 Group B
17:00 h Match for Place 5
No. 3 Group A – No. 3 Group B
13th October 2019

5th Matchday

10:00 h  Bronze Final
15:00 h  Final
17:00 h  Official Awarding and Closing Ceremony in Odolena Voda
20:00  Final Banquet at the hotel

14th October 2019

Troughout the day

11. Jury of appeal

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

The Jury of Appeal comprised of

1. Andreas Röhner  Secretary General of the USPE, Chairman
2. Dirk Weninger  Member of the Technical Commission
3. Dr. Josef Haupt  Chairman LOC
4. Jan Krticka  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 of 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.

The appeal fee will be a total of 100.00 €, paid in cash.

12. Eligibility to start

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

Participation in 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 provide police service 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 (including 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.

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.

13. **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 is not possible!**

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

**To ensure an effortless procedure, the teams must complete the Declaration of Participation Form prior to accreditation.**
14. **Anti-Doping**

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

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

**Without this Declaration the participation in the USPE EPC is not possible!**

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.

More information are available on the USPE website [www.uspe.org](http://www.uspe.org).

15. **Financial provisions**

15.1 **Travelling expenses**

Each member union will pay its own travelling expenses.

15.2 **Board and lodging**

**Delegate**

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

**Team**

For every other participant (athlete/attendant) 50.00 € per person/per night must be paid to the organiser (Article R 14/3 of the Rules and Regulations).

**Guests**

In case a member country intends to be accompanied by guests and the organiser is able to provide the respective accommodation, each guest has to pay the actual costs incurred by them.

The organiser will send the respective invoices in time.
15.3 Registration fee

Prior to a championship, each participating country has to pay a registration fee to the General Treasurer of the USPE. This fee has to be paid before the opening of the championship. Registration fee: 500.00 €

USPE will send the respective invoices in time.

16. Registration

Each participating member country is requested to send the enclosed forms by E-Mail to:

1. Office of the USPE Secretary General (office@uspe.org)
2. Local organising committee, Jiri Jon (unitop@policie-sport.cz and fiesta@cbox.cz)
3. Dirk Weninger, USPE Technical Delegate (dirk.weninger@polizei.berlin.de and dirk.weninger@uspe.org)

Please meet the following deadlines:

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17. 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.

It is in the responsibility of the participating member country that every participant (athlete, delegate, attendant) from this member country has signed an agreement.
18. **Downloads**

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

[https://www.uspe.org/downloadcenter.php](https://www.uspe.org/downloadcenter.php)

**It is in the responsibility of all participating countries to present all needed documents to the USPE Technical Delegate during the accreditation.**

19. **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.

20. **Notes**

One contestant per team has to wear the police uniform of their respective country at the opening ceremony.

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

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

*Signed in the original*

Andreas Röhner  
USPE Secretary General

Vladislav Husák  
President Unitop Czech Republic