



# Senior Beach Nationals - 2025 Seeding Guidelines

This document outlines the process and methodology used to seed teams participating in Volleyball Canada's Senior Beach National Championships.

## Key Terminology :

- **FIVB Team Ranking Points:** Points awarded to teams based on their performance at FIVB recognized international events. Points are updated weekly after an FIVB recognized event. For Beach Nationals, FIVB Points as of July 28th, 2025, will be used.
- **Major Domestic Events:** Domestic beach volleyball events recognized by Volleyball Canada as having a higher competition level. An athlete's best three (3) major domestic events will be used to calculate a Final Ranking Value. The list of Major Domestic Events for 2025 can be found in Appendix B.
- **Final Ranking Value:** The total point value calculated for each team, used to determine their position in the seeding order. It is calculated using a combination of FIVB Ranking Points and/or results from Major Domestic and PTA Championships. For more details on how domestic points are assigned per event finish, please refer to Appendix A: Point Table.

## How Final Ranking Values are Calculated

Final Ranking Values are calculated differently depending on whether a team has competed together, separately, or in domestic-only competitions.

### FIVB Ranking Points – Same Partner

- If both athletes competed together as a team at FIVB events, their current FIVB Team Ranking Points are used in full as the Final Ranking Value.
- Example: Team A has 2,200 FIVB points → Team's Final Ranking Value = 2,200

### FIVB Ranking Points – Different Partners

- If athletes hold FIVB Rankings Points but with different partners, each athlete's FIVB Points are divided by 2 and added together to get the team's Final Ranking Value.
- Example:
  - Athlete A has 1,200 FIVB points →  $1,200/2 = 600$



- Athlete B has 800 FIVB points  $\rightarrow 800/2 = 400$
- Team's Final Ranking Value  $\rightarrow 600 + 400 = 1000$

### **One Athlete with FIVB Points, One with Domestic Results**

- If one athlete has FIVB points and the other only has domestic results.
  1. The FIVB athlete's total is halved
  2. The domestic athlete's points are calculated by combining their points from Major Domestic or PTA Championships and then halving them
  3. The two values are added together for the Final Ranking Value
- Example:
  1. Athlete A (FIVB) has 1,048 FIVB points  $\rightarrow 1,048/2 = 524$
  2. Athlete B placed 1st, 3rd, and 4th at three Major Domestic Events  $\rightarrow (250 + 230 + 220)/2 = 350$
  3. Team's Final Ranking Value  $\rightarrow 524 + 350 = 874$

### **Teams with Only Domestic Results**

- If neither athlete has FIVB points, their domestic finishes from up to three events (Major Domestic or PTA Championships) are totaled and then added together.
- Example:
  1. Athlete A: 2nd, and 3rd finish at two Major Domestics and 3rd at Ontario Championships  $\rightarrow (240 + 230 + 170) / 2 = 320$
  2. Athlete B: 3rd at a Major Domestic and 5th at Ontario Championships  $\rightarrow (230 + 150) / 2 = 190$
  3. Final Ranking Value  $= 320 + 190 = 510$

## **Seeding Sequence**

All teams will be seeded by their Final Ranking Values in order of highest point value to lowest. In the event of a tie, seeding order will be determined by random draw among the tied teams.

Teams with no recognized results (FIVB or Domestic) will be seeded via random draw after all other teams have been ranked.



Volleyball Canada reserves the right to adjust the seeding to offer the best competition experience for all participating teams.

Please note that seeding is not protestable and is considered final once published.

### Seeding Example

| Team   | Composition   | Calculation                                       | Final Ranking Value | Seed |
|--------|---|---|---------------------|------|
| Team 1 | Player A + Player B (same FIVB team)                  | Full FIVB points: 2200                            | 2200                | 1st  |
| Team 2 | Player C + Player D (different partners on FIVB tour) | $(1200/2) + (800/2) = 600 + 400$                  | 1000                | 2nd  |
| Team 3 | Player E (FIVB) + Player F (Domestic)                 | $(1048/2) + (250+230+220/2) = 524 + 350$          | 874                 | 3rd  |
| Team 4 | Players G + H (Domestic Only)                         | $(240 + 230 + 170/2) + (230 + 150/2) = 320 + 190$ | 510                 | 4th  |



# APPENDIX A

**Points Chart for Major Domestic and PTA Championship Results**

| MD/ PTA<br>Championship<br>Placement | Major<br>Domestic | ON/QC<br>PTA Result | AB/BC PTA<br>Result | SK/MB/AT<br>L PTA<br>Result |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1                                    | 250               | 190                 | 150                 | 110                         |
| 2                                    | 240               | 180                 | 140                 | 100                         |
| 3                                    | 230               | 170                 | 130                 | 90                          |
| 4                                    | 220               | 160                 | 120                 | 80                          |
| 5                                    | 210               | 150                 | 110                 | 70                          |
| 6                                    | 200               | 140                 | 100                 | 60                          |
| 7                                    | 190               | 130                 | 90                  | 50                          |
| 8                                    | 180               | 120                 | 80                  | 40                          |
| 9                                    | 170               | 110                 | 70                  | 30                          |
| 10                                   | 160               | 100                 | 60                  | 30                          |
| 11                                   | 150               | 90                  | 50                  | 30                          |
| 12                                   | 140               | 80                  | 40                  | 30                          |
| 13                                   | 130               | 70                  | 30                  |                             |
| 14                                   | 120               | 60                  | 30                  |                             |
| 15                                   | 110               | 50                  | 30                  |                             |
| 16                                   | 100               | 40                  |                     |                             |
| 17                                   | 90                | 30                  |                     |                             |
| 18                                   | 80                | 20                  |                     |                             |
| 19                                   | 80                | 20                  |                     |                             |
| 20                                   | 80                | 20                  |                     |                             |
| 21                                   | 80                | 20                  |                     |                             |



## APPENDIX B

### 2025 Major Domestic Events

|  |                                      |   |
|--|--------------------------------------|---|
| <a href="#"><u>Open Plage</u></a>          | <a href="#"><u>Montreal, QC</u></a>  | <a href="#"><u>June 7-8, 2025</u></a>   |
| <a href="#"><u>Grand Slam</u></a>          | <a href="#"><u>Toronto, ON</u></a>   | <a href="#"><u>June 21-22, 2025</u></a> |
| <a href="#"><u>Challenger Celtique</u></a> | <a href="#"><u>Montreal, QC</u></a>  | <a href="#"><u>June 27-29, 2025</u></a> |
| <a href="#"><u>Vancouver Open</u></a>      | <a href="#"><u>Vancouver, BC</u></a> | <a href="#"><u>July 11-13, 2025</u></a> |
| <a href="#"><u>Calgary Open</u></a>        | <a href="#"><u>Calgary, AB</u></a>   | <a href="#"><u>July 19-20, 2025</u></a> |