

World Great Grand Masters Beach Ultimate Club Championships

October 23-26, 2024 – Praia da Rocha – Portimão, Portugal



Players' Briefing Book



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Welcome & Summary

Dear WGGMBUCC2024 Players, Captains, Spirit Captains & Team Managers,

BULA would like to welcome you to the fourth edition of the BULA World Great Grand Masters Beach Ultimate Club Championships! We have been working hard to bring together the top Club teams from all over the globe, a great atmosphere, and a solid organization. We are looking forward to seeing you in Portimão in October.

On the road to the tournament, please read the following information carefully and ensure that all vital documents are reviewed, filled out, signed and uploaded to the Registration system at least 3 weeks before the event.

Please note: **Important action points throughout the book are highlighted in red. You will not be eligible to play if you do not meet the requirements listed below.**

As Team Manager, we kindly ask that you send this Players' Briefing Book (PBB) to all members of your team (players, guests, and staff) and ensure they read it and understand its content. Everyone on your team must follow these guidelines and fulfil all eligibility criteria to get accreditation at the tournament.

To ensure that all the teams have received, read and distributed the PBB to their team members, I kindly ask that **one (1) person from your team (the team manager) reply to this email by Sunday August 4th.**

For clarifications, please check the [athlete's area on the event website](#) or email me (sofia.pereira@beachultimate.org). When sending emails, please be sure to include your **country code**, and **club team name** and **issue** in the subject line (e.g., USA – Spankeled, roster change”).

On behalf of the entire organizing team and volunteers, thank you for your collaboration and best wishes for the final weeks of training and preparation.

Looking forward to seeing you in Portugal,

Sofia



Registration Process Overview

To participate in the World Great Grand Masters Beach Ultimate Club Championships, your team, consisting of players, staff, and guests, must be accredited. Accreditation is valid for all team members who registered and paid their fees and will only be supplied to people meeting all registration requirements.

Accreditation is a simple process. It will mostly be done online on our Registration Platform and finalized at the event on the evening of October 22 at the Main Tent on the beach (Praia da Rocha). More details about on-site registration will be supplied later.

Step 1

Please read this document in its entirety! Teams not meeting all eligibility requirements will forfeit their first game and each game thereafter until registration is complete. To ensure that there are no problems, please read all the information below carefully. If you have any questions, please ask!

Step 2

Team Managers should complete their team registration online by Sunday August 4th. You will receive an email with a link to the Online Registration Platform, where you can register all your players and non-playing guests (including yourself) by adding their name and email. Each person you add will then receive an email to register their details.

Step 3

Ensure that every player on your team completes the WFDF Rules Accreditation test before the event starts. See the Rules Accreditation Section for more information. Every person on your team must upload a copy of their accreditation certificate on the Registration Platform.

Step 4

Ensure your Spirit Captain reads all SOTG material provided. The SOTG captain's phone contact will be added to a WhatsApp group to facilitate communication throughout the event. Please let us know if you have any problems with this.

Step 5

All the documentation must be uploaded to the Registration Platform. Any missing documents can be dealt with on site; please see the [Onsite Event Registration](#) for more information.

Step 6

Onsite Registration and player tournament accreditation

Step 2 – Team, Player, and Guest Registration

Team Registration

Due date – Sunday, August 11th

1. **Team Managers should register themselves by following the information and registration link sent to them by email from the Online Registration Platform (check your SPAM box if you are still waiting to receive a registration link within 3 days of receiving this PBB).** Make sure to save your username and password for registration.wggmbucc.org.

2. Fill in the necessary Team information:
 - a. Country
 - b. Club team name
 - a. Team Facebook/Instagram details (optional)

As Team Manager, you will have repeated access to your team through the Registration Platform and be able to add and delete players (see below for details). When you add a player/guest by filling in their first and last name and email, that player/guest will receive an email from the online system to fill in their details. **Players and guests will only have access to fill in their details once (they will get a link to upload their rules accreditation certificate on the system, which remains available).** If needed, the team manager can edit any player/guest information or delete and re-add a player/guest so they regain access to the system (a new email will be sent when the player/guest is added).

As Team Manager, please fill in the first and last names and email for ALL your players, guests, and staff. Also, check that they all received their access passwords to the Online Registration system—and if not, please ask them to check their spam box.

Players and guests/staff can be added using the Teams tab or the **Players** or **Guests/Staff** tab at the top of the page. If you are the manager for more than one team, please ensure that you register playing and non-playing members to the correct team.

Player Registration

Due date to add your roster – Sunday, August 11th

It is the Team Manager's responsibility to ensure that every player and guest fills out the correct roster information, uploads their accreditation certificates, and accepts the waivers.

ADDING PLAYERS

1. **Add new players by filling out their name and email (minimum 10 and maximum of 25 players per team, and at least 4 women per team)** in the Players section of the Online Registration Platform.

You can do this one player at a time, by using the "Add New Player" button and filling in the form and/or you can click "Import roster from CSV file" and upload a CSV file with the list of players in the format "first name, last name, email address".

Every player you add will get an email with a link to fill out their details. However, this link is only available once. As team manager, please ensure all your players and guests fill out the required information. If a player or guest needs access more than once, Team Managers can resend them the link. Team Managers will have access and be able to add information to your roster.

2. Players will need to supply the following information:
 - a. First and last name
 - b. Full name as shown on your ID or passport
 - c. Gender
 - d. Birthdate (mm/dd/yyyy)
 - e. Uniform Number (0 to 99). Note: teams can't use the same jersey number twice
 - f. Nationality
 - g. Country of Residence

- h. Emergency contact (Phone or email)
- i. Role of rostered players on team (Player, Captain or Spirit Captain).
- j. Upload of waiver and WFDF rules certificate
- k. Mobile number for Captains and Spirit Captains.

Please note: While we understand that you might have multiple Captains and Spirit Captains, BULA needs to have one (1) dedicated representative per team for Captain and one (1) Spirit Captain.

Guest Registration

Due date – Sunday, August 11th

Guests are people who are part of the team but are not playing. This can include medical staff, coaches, and/or guests. You will be paying guest fees for these people, except for U18 kids and their babysitters - who do not have to pay but will not get a gift pack or have access to the party. **Do not include spectators on your registration list.** Anyone who is not a player and has not registered as a non-playing team support, U18 kid or babysitter is considered a spectator and will not receive a gift pack or access to the party.

ADDING GUESTS

1. Add a New Guest by filling out their name and email in the guest section.
You can do this one guest at a time, by using the "Add New Guest" button and filling in the form and/or you can click "Import Guests from CSV file" and upload a CSV file with the list of guests in the format "first name, last name, email address".
2. Every guest you add will receive an email with a link to fill out their details. However, this link is only available once. As team manager, you will have access to and be able to add information to your guests. It is your responsibility to ensure that your roster information is complete for every guest.
If a player or guest has not filled out their information, has changed email address, or needs access to the Registration Platform a second time, the Team Manager must resubmit that person's email so they can access the system again. The link to upload accreditation certificates stays active, allowing for completion at their convenience.
3. Guests will need to supply the following information:
 - a. First and last name
 - b. Full name as shown on your ID or passport
 - c. Gender
 - d. Birthdate (mm/dd/yyyy)
 - e. Nationality
 - f. Country of Residence
 - g. Emergency contact (Phone or email)
 - h. Role of non-playing guest or staff (Medical (Md), Admin (A), Coach (Co), Guest (G), Guest Under 18 (U18), Babysitter (B), Media (Ma). Please note - guests under 18 years of age and babysitters do not pay guest fees and do not receive a player pack and will not have access to the party.
4. Please ensure the information is complete for all rostered guests (people who are not taking the field to play).

You must add players, guests, and staff to your roster by Sunday, August 11th. Roster changes/substitutions will only be possible until September 15. Please [contact us](#) if you have any

problems.

Invoices and Player Fee Payment

Based on the number of players and guests on the Registration Platform on August 11th, BULA will calculate the amount to be paid for player and guest fees. Any additions to teams after August 11th and until September 15th will be paid onsite in cash. Invoices will be provided on request.

Player fees for WGGMBUCC2024 are 175€/player (142€ + 23% VAT) and 50€/guest-staff (41€ + 23% VAT).

Important! BULA will provide you with the total amount to transfer by August 20th, and Player fees are due August 25th. Please make sure to refer to your team code when making the Player Fee payment: 3 letter country code – team name - GGM, ie. USA - Spankeled - GGM

The banking information for transferring the Player Fees is:

For payment in Euros, use our Wise bank account:

Account holder: Bula Ltd
IBAN: BE05 9671 1097 8975
BIC: TRWIBEB1XXX
Wise's address:
Rue du Trône 100, 3rd floor
Brussels
1050
Belgium

For payments in other currencies or through other methods, please contact: patrick@beachultimate.org.

For player substitutions or additions from August 11th until September 15th, please delete and add new players to the Registration Platform and [contact us by email](#). Ensure any new players added fill in all their registration details and upload the waivers/rules certificates.

Refunds for teams that choose to bring fewer players or don't meet the accreditation criteria for all team members will not be issued. On September 16th, the Online Registration Platform will be locked. **Changes to the rosters will not be possible after September 15th.**

Outstanding Fees/Payments

Any team with fees to pay or refunds to receive will receive an email a few days before the event with a complete financial tally. We kindly ask you to bring the exact amount to registration, payable in cash.

Teams with outstanding payments (example: bank fees, payment for additional guests or team members) will have to pay **cash** (in Euro €) at the event registration.

Any previously BULA-approved player cancellations will be refunded based on TOC/BULA decision and in the face of medical grounds for refunds (medical note needed).

During on-site registration in Portugal, **teams must pay any outstanding fees before Accreditation is issued**. Refunds will not be issued for teams that choose to bring fewer players or don't meet the requested registration requirements.

Note: Do not give money to anyone besides the Tournament Director Sofia Pereira, or Treasurer Patrick van der Valk.

Step 3 – Rules Knowledge and Accreditation

All games at the BULA World Great Grand Masters Beach Ultimate Club Championships 2024 will be self-refereed. There will not be Game Advisors. Every player is responsible for knowing and abiding by the rules while adhering to Spirit of the Game guidelines.

Tournament Rules

The rules used at WGGMBUCC2024 will be the official WFDF [2021-2024 Beach Ultimate rules](#) with the latest version of the [Championship Appendix](#). This includes the WFDF uniform rules (numbers on shorts are not needed, but different numbers on shirts and shorts not allowed), and brick at 15m.

Roster and Eligibility Rules

1. WGGMBUCC2024 is an age division protected event – Available for male players who reach at least their 48th birthdays during the calendar year in which the tournament begins (i.e. born in or before 1976) and female players who reach at least their 45th birthday during the calendar year in which the tournament begins (i.e. born in or before 1979). **There will be no exceptions to birth-date rules.**
2. The maximum team size is twenty-five (25) players.
3. Minimum team size is ten (10) players.
4. A minimum of four (4) women and four (4) men is required.
5. At least one woman per team is required to take the field during play. If offence fields 2 women, the defense must match the 3:2 gender ratio.
6. No restrictions are made for non-players, including coaches, physios, support staff, etc.
7. All players on the team roster must be active members of the club team participating at the WGGMBUCC, and must meet whatever other requirements are placed on them by their National Federation (NF) (exception made to what is set in 7)
8. A single player may not participate in more than one team during the WGGMBUCC.

For more information on rosters and eligibility, please refer to WGGMBUCC2024 bid allocation and roster eligibility rules: wggmbucc.org/athletes/rules-and-eligibility/

Rules Accreditation

The Rules Accreditation process is extremely important, as it shows that players have read and understand the Rules of Ultimate. **All the playing members of your team must pass the Rules Accreditation test**, and the Captain and Spirit Captain must have the *advanced* Rules Accreditation (even if they are not playing).

Non-Players DO NOT have to have rules accreditation.

Please don't forget to upload your WFDF rules accreditation certificate on the online Registration Platform and to fill in the appropriate text box with your information.

The WFDF Accreditation quizzes are available here: <http://rules.wfdf.org/accreditation>

Both Standard & Advanced Accreditation are achieved by completing and passing open-book quizzes based on the WFDF Rules of Ultimate. The quizzes allow players to demonstrate that they have read the Rules of Ultimate. A minimum score on the quizzes is necessary to become Rules Accredited.

Important notes regarding Rules Accredited players:

- All those who successfully complete the Accreditation quiz will be issued a certificate.
- They have the same responsibilities on the field as every other player
- They do not release the Spirit Captain from their responsibility to ensure their team upholds the Spirit of the Game
- They do not replace the requirement for each player to learn and apply the rules and play with good Spirit

IMPORTANT: ALL accreditation acquired prior to 24th of April 2023 has become invalid. Players that passed the accreditation tests before the aforementioned date will have to pass the test again.

Accreditation Requirements: Your team must comply to the following requirements:

1. **All players** on a team's roster must have a current WFDF Accreditation.
2. **At least one half (50%) of the players** on a team's roster must have the **Advanced Rules Accreditation**.
3. The **Captain** and **Spirit Captain** must have the **Advanced Rules Accreditation**.

All people taking the field as players must upload a copy of their WFDF Accreditation Certificate on the online Registration Platform and fill in the text box with their accreditation details.
Non-playing guests do not have to do rules accreditation tests.

Tournament Rules Group (TRG)

The Tournament Rules Group (TRG) will arbitrate any on-field and off-field disputes between players, staff, and members of the public. At WGGMBUCC2024, the TRG is chaired by Sofia Pereira and composed by the WGGMBUCC Spirit Director, 2 playing members (to be determined), and the BULA Representative and WFDF Beach Ultimate Chair, Shiellah Quintos.

The roles of the TRG are:

1. Discuss any issues arising at the event, review SOTG scores, review any incidents that occur during games, and discuss plans to communicate with teams on Spirit issues.
2. The TRG will address formal requests, complaints or protests about any issue concerning on-field or off-field activities. Requests, complaints, or protests may be brought to the attention of TRG by any Team Captain or Staff Member, at any time during the period starting from the end of the Captain's Meeting to midnight on the final day of play at the tournament.

3. The TRG may, at its discretion, disqualify a player or a whole team from the entire tournament if a player or a team exhibits violent, obscene, abusive, disruptive, or illegal behavior; cheating, or otherwise attempting to create an unfair advantage for themselves or disadvantages to others through circumvention of the rules; or otherwise causes substantial hardship, inconvenience or annoyance to spectators, officials, or players.

If an issue is brought to the TRG that affects the general interest of all or a group of teams participating in the tournament, the TRG may call an advisory Captains' Meeting of all or selected teams. The calling of such a meeting does not in any way reduce the powers of the TRG and the TRG is in no way bound to suggestions or decisions made by such a Captains' Meeting.

Step 4 – Spirit of the Game

About SOTG

Ultimate relies upon the Spirit of the Game, which places the responsibility of self-refereeing on every player, while respecting the basic joy of play. Spirit of the Game (SOTG) is the mindful behavior practiced by players before, during, and after a game of ultimate. It includes the application of good knowledge and application of the rules, fair-mindedness, safe play and spatial awareness, clear and calm communication, and a positive and respectful attitude towards teammates, fans, and opponents.

We strongly believe that Spirit of the Game encourages the development of skills in polite, calm, and respectful communication even in difficult situations, and regardless of ethnic, national, or religious differences. Spirit of the Game promotes understanding and peace in our sport, and we hope that through each player, that influence can spread beyond the field and make real changes in the outside world.

The **SOTG scoring system** has been developed to evaluate the other team immediately after each game. With all players involved and led by the Spirit Captain, each team must fill the online Spirit scoresheet using guidelines and examples found in the Spirit scoring examples document. SOTG scores will be publicly available, serving as an educational tool where teams can learn how to improve based on standardized feedback.

To celebrate Spirit of the Game, an award is presented to the team in each division with the highest total Spirit score.

Spirit Scoring System

The WFDF and BULA spirit scoring system will be used immediately after each game, where each team will evaluate the opponent. Spirit scoring should be led by the Spirit Captain and done by **the entire team**.

[Some great examples of Spirit](#)

Spirit Director and Spirit Captains

Pedro Vargas will be the official Spirit Director for the WGGMBUCC and will be responsible for collecting and reviewing Spirit Scores, discussing any accreditation non-compliance with the relevant teams, and working with all teams to ensure the highest standard of Spirit during the event.

To ensure clear and direct communication about SOTG during the event, **each team must identify one (1) Spirit Captain who will fill this role for the duration of the tournament.**

The role of Spirit Captain can be filled by any player on your team, except for your captain, coach, or manager. For more information on SOTG, please make yourself familiar with the following documents:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1txegmYnpdERnGC-nWtKpAEOHLG7oCrA9/view?usp=sharing>

<https://wfdf.sport/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/PROVISIONAL-WFDF-Spirit-Captain-Role.pdf>

During WGGMBUCC2024, the Spirit Director will do spot checks to ensure teams meet their rules accreditation criteria. **Anyone not complying with Accreditation regulations will be required to leave the field until all requirements are met.**

SPIRIT OF THE Game:



Step 5 – Documents

As team manager, please make sure that every person on your team has filled out the information, uploaded the necessary documents, and checked the waivers on the Online Registration Platform.

Players and Non-Players (guests/staff) need different documents. Players will be officially rostered and allowed to take the field. Non-players include team support coming to the event who have paid the Guest Fee, as well as any U18 kids and babysitters you have identified. Spectators who are not part of your team do not have to fill anything out.

Players need to check the box stating they agree with the waiver and upload their accreditation certificates, whereas non-playing team support members (guests, admin, assistants, managers and kids) only need to check the box agreeing to the waiver.

It is critical that each person from the entire team (Players and Non-Players) check the waiver box on the online Registration Platform, and players must upload the right document of their rule accreditation certificate. Tournament accreditation will not be issued otherwise.

Required:

1. BULA Event Participant Agreement (waiver of liability)

- Read the document carefully and check the appropriate box on the online Registration Platform.

- Minors must have a parent or custodian check the box on the online Registration Platform.
- This event's Participant Agreement Form can be found at the end of this document or by clicking [here](#).

2. Proof of completion of the WFDF Rules online accreditation quiz

Every player must upload a digital copy of their certificate from the WFDF rules accreditation quiz current for 2024 and fill out the associated text box with their accreditation details. **Please The entire team is required to have passed the accreditation quiz, and at least 50% of the team must have advanced accreditation (including the Captain and Spirit Captain)**

Step 6 - Onsite Event Registration

Event Registration will take place at the Main Tent at the beach. We kindly ask only two (2) representatives from each team to come to registration. Please allow at least 10 minutes per team you are registering.

Registration details:

Main event tent – Praia da Rocha

When: Tuesday October 22nd, 18h00-20h00

Late arrivals – Register on Wednesday October 23rd, before your first game

All teams will be required to collect and sign for accreditation, party tickets and player packs.

Team Managers should double-check that their team completed ALL the required documentation on the Online Registration Platform and bring any missing documentation and payments to Registration, including:

1. All missing payments for players, support staff, and guests with regard to player/guest fees have been made **in full and in cash**.
2. Players, support staff, and guests can see the [Event Participant Agreement](#) on the online Registration Platform as well as at the end of this document. Event Participant Agreements (waiver of liability) that are missing from the Online Registration Platform can be signed and handed in (original and signed). Minors will need to have a parent or custodian sign the document for it to be valid.

Teams will receive player/team packs, accreditation badges, and be eligible to play once the above points have been taken care of.

Important Dates

- **Sunday August 4** - Team manager must email sofia.pereira@beachultimate.org to confirm that PBB was received and distributed to team members
- **Sunday August 11** - Team managers must have completed Team Registration added all members of their team to the Online Registration Platform
- **Sunday August 25** - Player fees are due
- **Saturday September 7** - Competition Format and Game Schedule, as well as provisional Seeding will be sent to Team Managers
- **Saturday September 14** – Last day to give feedback on preliminary seeding
- **Sunday September 15** – Last day to make roster changes
- **Sunday September 15** – All players/guests/staff must have completed Team Registration on

the Online Platform

- **Monday September 16** – Online Registration system will be locked
- **Tuesday October 22** – Onsite Registration
- **Wednesday October 23**: Captain's and SOTG Captain's Meeting (and late registration)
- **Wednesday October 23 to Saturday October 26**: Competition (more details on the game schedule to be announced mid to late September)
- **Saturday October 26**: Finals (in the afternoon – time to be announced)
- **Saturday October 26**: Awards and closing ceremonies (immediately after finals)
- **Saturday October 26**: WGGMBUCC party at Katedral

Location

The fields and tournament HQ will be at Praia da Rocha, on the East side, closest to the Marina.

The playing fields will be on the East side of Praia da Rocha. Same location as for WGGMBUCC2022.

<https://lh5.googleusercontent.com/p/AF1QipOj8cs7cBPF6Md8snWUFvrn6yBgSjKTbXNK6dva=w524-h208-p-k-no>

Transportation

To get to Praia da Rocha, we recommend you book your flight to Faro. From the Faro airport, it is 70 km to Portimão. You can find public transport options here: www.faroairportinfo.com/map/faro-to-portimao.

Other flight options might include Lisbon or Sevilla despite being more than 250km away from Portimão. Transport options can be found here:

<https://www.rome2rio.com/map/Lisbon-Airport-LIS/Portim%C3%A3o>

and here:

<https://www.rome2rio.com/map/Sevilla-Airport-SVQ/Portim%C3%A3o>

For private transfers from the Airports, BULA has partnered with <http://www.transfair.com.pt> for their shuttle service. Make sure you mention that you are participating at WGGMBUCC! For more information on prices and booking your transfers, please refer to the [WGGMBUCC website](#).

Accommodation

Praia da Rocha has many accommodation options, including 3* Hotels, 4* and 5* Hotels, and Apartment Hotels. Please note that as the tournament approaches it will become more difficult to accommodate larger teams in the same facility – we kindly ask you to be prompt in booking your option if you want to your team to stay together.

To book your lodging, each team must contact the hotels directly (links provided below) with “**WGGMBUCC2024 [Team Name]**” as the subject line. Some hotels will also ask you to provide a code (Frisbee2024).

We kindly ask that you include the email filipavargasebucc2020@gmail.com in Cc so that we can assist you if necessary.

Apartments Jardins da Rocha ***

Apartment type: T0 (2-3 pax); T1 (3-4 pax)

Price: 20.5 – 26.5€/night/pax

Use code: Frisbee2024
Email: info@jardinsdarocha.com

Apartments Club Amarilis***

Apartment type: Singles/Doubles/Twins/Tripples
Price: Depends on apartment – use this [promo link](#) to check prices and to book your stay
Email: reservas@amarilis.pt

Rocha Hotel****

Apartment type: Singles/Doubles/Twins/Tripples
Price: Depends on apartment – use this [promo link](#) to check prices and to book your stay
Email: reservas@hoteldarocha.com

Algarve Casino Hotel*****

Room type: Doubles/Tripples
Price: 5% discount over best offer
Use code: Frisbee2024
Contact: <http://www.gruposolverde.pt>

Jupiter Algarve Hotel****

Room type: Singles/Doubles/Twins/Triples
Price: 10% discount over best hotel website rates (Bed & Breakfast; Half Board with Drinks; Full Board with Drinks)
Use Promo Code WGGMBUCC2024 at www.jupiteralgarvehotel.com or direct promolink <https://bit.ly/WGGMBUCC24>

Competition

The playing fields will be at Praia da Rocha. Same location as for EBUC2019 and WGGMBUCC2022 (and the upcoming WBUC2025).

Training & Warm Up

Everyone should be aware that the beach is open to the public prior and during the event. Please always respect all beach users and keep things safe.

The TOC will be building the fields a few days before the WGGMBUCC, and you are welcome to use them once they are in place. We will create a Google sheet so that you can book your fields the days immediately prior to the event. Please respect the TOC's workload and listen to instructions from Staff at the beach as the final preparations for the venue are made.

Prior to the event, you must bring your own water and remove all rubbish each day. Your training sessions prior to October 23rd are not considered part of the WGGMBUCC event. All teams and players who undertake training do so at their own risk.

Warm up for teams during the event will be limited to the unused areas of sand on the beach and might not be possible in certain beach concessions. **Access to your field before your game starts will be 10 mins prior – if there is still a game in progress, scorekeepers might allocate you to**

another field.

Tie Breakers

The tie-breaking rules for pool play will be based on the WFDF [2021-2024 Beach Ultimate rules appendix](#), except for the second last tie-breaking criteria, in italics below. For clarity purposes, these are:

B3.1. After round robin pool play, rank all teams in each pool by the number of games won.

B3.2. If teams are tied, break that tie using the ranking criteria.

B3.3. Each ranking criterion is used to rank all tied teams, not just to determine the highest ranked team.

B3.3.1. If, after the application of a ranking criterion, all of the teams remain tied, go to the next criterion.

B3.3.2. If not all teams remain tied, but one or more subgroups of the teams remain tied, separate these subgroups from the ranking. Each subgroup will then be ranked separately, starting with the first ranking criterion.

B3.4. Ranking criteria, in order:

B3.4.1. Number of games won, counting only games between the teams that are tied.

B3.4.2. Fewest games forfeited.

B3.4.3. Goal difference, counting only games between the teams that are tied.

B3.4.4. Goal difference, counting games against all common opponents.

B3.4.5. Goals scored per game, counting only games between the tied teams.

B3.4.6. Goals scored per game, counting games against all common opponents.

BULA tie breaker: Mean SOTG score of tied teams at that point in time.

B3.4.7. Each team nominates one player to throw one disc from behind the goal line to the far brick point on a regulation playing field. Throwing order is determined randomly, by disc toss or otherwise. Teams are ranked in order by the distance from the resting place of each disc to the brick point, from closest to furthest.

Seeding

The initial seeding for each Club team will be determined using the results of WGGMBUCC in 2022 Portugal, and 2023 in Sardinia, as well as feedback from Team Managers and previous knowledge of the registered teams.

Provisional seeding for WGGMBUCC2024 will be shared early September.

Important note: We are fully aware that the provisional seeding might not correspond to the actual value of the teams. We would appreciate it if team managers could provide information on your team's seeding. After receiving feedback, we will make whatever changes we deem relevant. Please be aware that the tournament structure already contemplates pre-quarters to minimize potential issues from an initial miss-seeding.

Please feel free to [contact pedro.vargas@beachultimate.org](mailto:pedro.vargas@beachultimate.org) or sofia.pereira@beachultimate.org for feedback or insights on your team's seeding.

Determining and Pools

1. The top 8 seeds for will be assigned as the top-seeded teams into each one of the 8 initial pools.

2. The remaining teams will be placed into the 8 pools based on a their seeding and using a snake system. The team seeded as 1 will therefore be in a pool with the 16th and 17th seeded team, the 2nd seeded team will be in a pool with the 15th and 18th seeded team, the 3rd seeded with the 14th and the 19th, and so on (8th seeded with 9th and 24th).
3. Only one team per country will be allowed in each original pool of 3. If more than one team from the same country is drawn into one of the pools, the team will be switched with the one directly beside them.

Competition Format

Here is a possible competition format. Please analyze carefully and provide feedback by emailing sofia.pereira@beachultimate.org or pedro.vargas@beachultimate.org by August 20th the latest.

24 teams, 8-10 games/team in 4 days

Day 1- 8 Pools of 3 - 2 games per team

Day 2- Top 2 from each pool of 3 go into four Pools of 4 with results carrying over (2 games/team)
Bottom of each pool of 3 go into two Pools of 4 (3 games/team).

Day 3- The two best teams of the bottom pools play one elimination game against the teams that ended up at bottom of each upper pool (pre- round of 16).

This is followed by a round of 16 and a bottom round of 8 - everyone plays quarter finals (1-3 games/team).

Day 4- Semis and Finals for all teams - 2 games per team

The final Club team seeding and competition format will be announced in September. The schedule will be available ~4 weeks prior to the start of the event.

Whistles

Players will notice that, similarly to WCBU and EBUC, we will use whistles to help maintain time limits during games. These are the instructions given to the timekeepers:

Before Game Starts	After Foul/Violation call	New Point	Time-out (During Point)	Time-out (Between Points)
-01:00 Start Timer. Call "1 minute"	00:00 Start Timer	00:00 Start Timer (immediately after point is scored)	00:00 Start Timer	00:00 Start Timer (immediately after point is scored)
-00:45 Mixed only: Call "Endzone A/B, 3 Men or Women?"	00:15 Call "Captains?"	00:15 Mixed only: Call "Endzone A/B, 3 Men or Women?"	01:00 Call "15 seconds!"	01:15 Call "End of Time-Out!"
-00:15 Call "15 seconds!"	00:30 Call "Back to Thrower!"	00:45 Call "15 seconds!"	01:15 Call "Play!"	01:30 Mixed only: Call "Endzone A/B, 3 Men or Women?"
00:00 Start the stopwatch. Call "Time is running" Play MUST start	00:45 Call "Play!"	01:00 Call "Play!"	01:30 Play MUST start	02:00 Call "15 seconds!"
00:15 Play MUST start		01:15 Play MUST start		02:15 Call "Play!"
IMPORTANT: It is the time keepers responsibility to blow the whistle, not to enforce what happens				
Time-outs: each team may call only <u>one</u> time-out per <u>game</u> (no restriction when it may be called).				
Time-outs have the duration of 75 seconds and game time does <u>not</u> stop during time-outs.				
Half-time: half-time has 0 minutes duration and game time does <u>not</u> stop.				
Game time only stops for Spirit of the Game time-outs or injury/technical stoppages that last more than 30 seconds.				
				02:30 Play MUST Start

Important Information

WGGMBUCC2024 Party

The WBUCC2024 Party will be on Saturday October 26th. All paying guests, players, staff, volunteers, media, and partners are welcome at Katedral!

Game Discs

The Official Game Disc is a championship level approved Eurodisc 175g disc. The disc will be pink in color. All discs must be returned to each field Scorekeeper at the end of each game.

Field Markings

Fields will be marked with tape, as will the 3m safety lines. Please ensure the safety area is kept free at all times. The 5m areas around the fields will be barriers instead of lines on the sand and some might be placed a little further than the 5m. There will be several fields with no 5m areas between the fields. All players and spectators must stay behind the areas as marked by the TOC.

Lightning Plan

Should bad weather and lightning cause the need for evacuation, please follow the instructions given at the Captains meeting and make your team aware of the lightning section (B4.2) in [the WFDF Rules of Ultimate- Appendix](#).

Medical and First Aid Facilities on Site

WGGMBUCC will have physiotherapists on site daily during the event, available from 1h before games begin and until games are over. They will provide manual therapy and taping as well as general first aid treatment. Sports medicine doctor and emergency doctor onsite during playing hours are free of charge. Onsite injury and illness assessment and management are free of charge. However, hospital costs (to be charged to the player) can vary depending on whether the hospital is public or private.

Health and Medical Care

There are always risks associated with playing Ultimate. Portugal has a Public Health Service as well as various private health care options. TOC encourages anyone coming from an EU member country to bring your European health insurance card with you. BULA & the TOC does not provide travel insurance for participants. Although WGGMBUCC will have medical staff on site to deal with first aid and to assess critical injuries, there may be injuries in which players need medical attention that requires emergency visits to local hospitals. WGGMBUCC has requested that all players and event participants acknowledge these risks and understand that BULA and the TOC cannot be held liable for any risk or cost associated with injury or bad health at WGGMBUCC. All event participants should alleviate some personal financial liability by purchasing their own traveler's insurance to make sure you are covered for any medical issues that arise.

Environmental Awareness

The TOC strongly believes in minimizing waste and hosting a responsible tournament, and we have taken several actions to reduce the tournament's footprint.

For one, we will be utilizing Eurodisc 175g discs for competition, which are [made from organic plastic to save oil reserves](#). Furthermore, there is a significant reduction in the carbon footprint since they are shipped from within Europe.

You can help by bringing your water bottle, use the recycling bins provided, and make sure that you avoid single use plastic throughout the event.

Player Conduct

Throughout the event, we expect all players to use good judgement. Simply put, have fun and behave.

Apply the Spirit of the Game guidelines to everything you do. Be respectful and know the rules/laws. The [WFDF Conduct Policy](#) is a good guide.

In addition, please follow these rules

- Treat volunteers with respect
- Use garbage bins and recycle properly
- Tell local spectators about what the event is
- Use and look for #WGGMBUCC and #GotaDisctoThrow in social media
- Don't leave valuable items in the car
- Don't leave bags unattended
- Don't bring glass to the beach
- Don't litter
- Use the tournament and public toilets; do not use the beach for your toilet needs!



Thank you for your cooperation.

Player & Coaches News Feed

A few days before the event starts TOC will launch the Player & Coaches News Feed. This is where all important information will be shared. It will be mobile-optimized and can be accessed at <http://news.wggmbucc.org>

All the announcements on <http://news.wggmbucc.org> during the event will also be displayed on the score monitor in the Players Tent at HQ.

Broadcast and Live Scoring

All games will have live score reporting. This means that your friends and family back home can keep up to date with scores, standings, and stats. In addition, there will be photographers and journalists adding stories and photos to the WGGMBUCC website and Facebook page throughout the day.

In addition to live scoring, games on the main field will be streamed live on YouTube. Broadcast production will be done by Ulti.tv. The best URL for your friends to go to is live.wggmbucc.org (live a few days before the event starts)

To make the broadcast is interesting for the viewer, background information of players and teams is crucial. The famous Tom 'the Voice' Styles has created an app that players can give info that the

commentators can use during the games. We appreciate that you fill out the information by following the link sent in the player registration.

Partners and Pre-Orders

BULA Events thrive on partnerships, and we are super happy to partner up with the [Municipality of Portimao](#), [VC](#), [Eurodisc](#), [Ulti.tv](#), [Greatest Bag](#), [Contested Strip](#), [Layout](#), [Verena Photography](#), and other fantastic partners for WGGMBUCC2024!

We want to bring value to and from the community, and our partners have prepared great offers for you - so you can save money just by being on time. **Take a look at the deals and make your pre-orders following the information below!**

VC Ultimate

VC Ultimate is the Official Merchandise Partner for WGGMBUCC 2024. Known for producing the best gear in ultimate, VC will be on-site for both WGGMBUCC and the GGM World Championships, which will take place a few days later on the same beach.

VC, along with their partner Lookfly, is offering teams an incredible deal on uniforms delivered right to the beach! Tanks from €31.50, jerseys from €34.50... recycled fabrics and made-in-Europe gear! For more details, visit [VC Ultimate](#).

VC is a company that prioritizes community and values over profits. Their mission is to produce custom uniforms and apparel of the highest quality in a socially and environmentally responsible manner. They are renowned for their sensational designs, innovative product development, and top-notch customer service.

We love working with Adriana and the VC crew, so when choosing your uniforms, please consider VC (or Lookfly). Your players will be proud to wear their gear!

vcultimate.com/pages/wbucc-wggmbucc

Eurodisc

Thomas and [Eurodisc®](#) have been BULA partners for many years now, and no wonder... for more than ten years, they have produced the #1 game disc in Europe and provided great service for custom prints.

Eurodisc will be used as the game disc at WGGMBUCC. Their 175g Organic disc is a high-quality, eco-friendly disc that helps reduce CO2 emissions because it's made of renewable resources and completely produced with green power.

If you want to order discs to practice, contact Eurodisc (info@eurodisc.biz) and make sure you mention that you are participating at WGGMBUCC - Thomas will make you a special offer.

Links to pre-order personalized WGGMBUCC discs will be available here soon.

Contested Strip

From the team who brought you the amazing webcomic Contested Strip, "One More Year" is the ultimate graphic novel! Can a team of misfits, losers, and weirdos beat the odds and win beach nationals?

It's a classic underdog sports comedy for all you weekend warriors, obsessed hobbyists, and everyone who's ever loved something that just doesn't love them back.

They created a special WBUCC2024 Edition with 240-pages, full-color graphics, including special material in the back! Four alternate covers by special guest artists Serg Acuña, EJ Han, Jackie Albano, and Mason Bykowski; a foreword by Franklin Jin Rho; an afterword by Elliot Trotter, essays, a "behind the scenes" interview with Megan & Meghan; an "ultimate" glossary; and more!

[Pre-order your book now](#) to save on shipping costs and pick it up at the tournament. It is an awesome book!

Layout

Layout is our official gloves and socks partner. Their Ultimate gloves are the perfect choice for club players who want to excel at throwing and catching and never drop a pass. Play with a high level of grip and added confidence. The best Ultimate gloves are the #1 choice of pros and club players.

Layout Beach Socks are designed to enhance your performance while playing on the beach. Lightweight and breathable, they allow you to enjoy your time on the beach without worrying about the irritants caused by hot, cold, or rough beaches.

Ensure your size is available when you get to the beach, and save on price, shipping, and taxes by ordering and paying at layoutultimate.com/collections/portugal-beach-worlds and picking them up at the event.

Also, Save 15% off Custom Team Order Layout Gloves. Email support@layoutultimate.com to start your order! Deadline for custom is Sept 10th, 2024.

Greatest Bag

Since its founding in 2016, Greatest has become the #1 preferred ultimate bag in the world. From the original Kickstarter bag, they've launched a line of 6 sizes in dozens of styles, along with other gear for training and tournaments. Along with the BULA, Greatest is the official bag supplier to WFDF and UFA (formerly AUDL), and partners with many national organizations.

Pre-order today to take advantage of discounts and no shipping costs. Simply use the code "2024WBUCC" and pick up the bags at the event, including [a great crossbody bag](#) (select the WBUCC design) and of course, the Greatest Bag:

Item	Pre-order Price	Event Selling Price
30L WBUCC Edition	US\$85.00	€ 100.00

18L Greatest Original	US\$60.00	€ 70.00
45L Greatest Original	US\$100.00	€ 115.00

Keep in touch on social media

We can't wait to see you at the WGGMBUCC in October! Meanwhile, keep in touch on the [official tournament website](#) as well as on social media, through [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [You Tube](#), [LinkedIn](#), and [Twitter \(X\)](#).

Also, please follow <https://www.facebook.com/wggmbucc2024> for information and fun facts about WGGMBUCC2024 and join the Whats App group GGM Beach Ultimate lovers, using the link: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/J0gyLkCSBby64ywGCgdyRd> 😊

Thank you for making it this far! See you on the beach in Portimão!

WGGMBUCC2024 Participant Agreement

Please read this document carefully – it affects your legal rights. This agreement is to be completed by all registered participants (players, guests, staff & volunteers) at the 2024 World Great Grand Masters Beach Ultimate Club Championships.

For the purposes of this agreement:

- "BULA" means BULA Ltd, and includes all its committees, and their directors, officers, employees and volunteers.
- "Sport" means Beach Ultimate.
- "Event" includes the World Beach Ultimate Club Championships which the participant is registered.
- "Activity" means any activity associated with participation in the Event, including all competitions, preparations, social events, meetings, ceremonies and the provision of services such as accommodation, food and transport.
- "I", "Me", "My" refers to the person undersigned and all minors for whom they are a legal guardian.

Purpose

This agreement aims to make clear some, but not all, of the aspects of the Event that should be considered common knowledge for all registered participants. If I am unclear about the meaning of a particular phrase, I will seek clarification from a representative of BULA.

By reading and understanding and signing this agreement, I agree to the provisions set forth within this document and that I am equipped with basic knowledge to help ensure my own safety and the safety of those for whom I am legally responsible.

I hereby agree to the following conditions in consideration of BULA allowing me to participate in the Event:

1. I understand the basic rules and physical requirements of the Sport.
2. I agree that, by participating in the Event, I am risking serious injury including chronic pain, permanent incapacitation, paralysis and death, particularly through contact with the ground, other players and objects on or outside the playing field. I acknowledge that there have historically been deaths associated with participating in similar Events due to lightning strike, heart attack and road accident.
3. I understand that the Sport is self-refereed, so that the athletes must take on all responsibilities that might be associated with a referee. In particular, I take responsibility to ensure that the Sport is played within the rules, that athlete safety is maintained, and that problems are addressed as they occur.
4. Although the Sport may be termed a non-contact sport, I agree that contact may occur. It may occur because players fail to perceive a potentially dangerous situation or evaluate risk poorly or lack sufficient co-ordination or intentionally cause contact. I will take reasonable steps to avoid collisions that would be expected to harm me or other players.
5. I understand that I must be medically and physically fit and able to participate in the Event. I agree that, prior to participating in the Event, I have consulted a medical practitioner if I have a pre-existing medical condition that could be exacerbated by my participation, or if I am pregnant.
6. If I believe it is unsafe to continue to participate, I will remove myself from an Activity or the Event.

7. Playing fields may contain defects such as holes, rocks, broken glass and other foreign materials. I acknowledge that BULA may not have the resources to fully inspect playing fields before each Activity and so I will ensure that fields are safe prior to playing on them, take mitigating action if necessary or choose not to play if the risks are too great.
8. I will remove myself immediately from any lightning-affected Activity and not wait for an official cancellation of the Activity.
9. I will discontinue participation in an Activity if I am affected by heat, feel dizzy, nauseous or weak, and will seek medical attention immediately.
10. I will plan to avoid driving any vehicle if tired or intoxicated. I will avoid being a passenger in a vehicle if I believe the driver is tired or intoxicated. I will exercise extra prudence and planning for long journeys and in adverse conditions such as rain or night driving.
11. I agree that I am responsible for ensuring that any property I bring to an Activity is protected from loss, theft or damage.
12. I agree that either I have a right to public health cover in all of the countries and jurisdictions in which the Event will take place, or that I have taken out sufficient medical or travel insurance to cover potential medical expenses for injuries sustained during the Event, including long-term hospitalization or permanent incapacitation. I agree that any injuries I sustain during the Event may result in significant financial loss through hospitalization, long-term medical bills or being unable to work. If I choose not to obtain personal insurance against such losses it is at my own risk.
13. I agree to abide by the following rules and regulations:
 - o I agree to treat other persons with respect, including using language that is respectful of their race, gender and physical characteristics.
 - o I agree to not physically harm or threaten physical harm to another person, including reckless actions while playing the Sport.
 - o I agree to not harass other persons by continuing to behave in an unwelcome manner after it has been made clear by them that such behavior is unwelcome.
 - o I agree to not discriminate against other persons in any decision-making responsibility I have, based on race, gender, age, sexual orientation or beliefs.
 - o I agree to not participate in any betting activities relating to the outcome of competition at the Event at which I am participating.
 - o I agree to abide by dress codes at opening, closing and medal ceremonies, wearing my team uniform if necessary or I will not be allowed to participate in those ceremonies.
 - o I agree to abide by all of the laws of the countries and jurisdictions where I am participating in the Event.
 - o I agree to not participate in the Sport if my judgement, reaction times or physical ability is significantly impaired by intoxication due to legal or illicit drugs.
 - o I agree to conduct myself according to the Spirit of the Game, both on and off the field.

The consequences of breaching this Code of Conduct include suspension from the Sport at all levels and the referral of matters to the police.

14. I give BULA permission for the free use of my name, voice, picture, likeness and provided biographical information in any broadcast, telecast, commercial recording, advertising, promotion or other account of BULA, the Event and any Sports.
 - a) As a consequence from the EU General Data Protection Regulation 2018 (GDPR) I declare that I am hereby informed on the collection of my personal data, particularly my name, first and middle names, date of birth, email contact, gender, postal address, telephone contacts, Facebook account domains and sporting performance historical data and all other relevant data to register for and manage the sports event appropriately as per competition rules and for results management purposes.

- b) I declare consent that these data are collected, stored and used in any other form solely for these sports event purposes.
- c) I am informed that I can withdraw this consent at any time by sending an email to info@beachultimate.org.
- d) I am informed about my rights to request information about the stored data at any time and to have the data deleted, corrected, and blocked and am informed that I may execute these rights by sending an email to info@beachultimate.org.

By clicking on the accept waiver box on the WGGMBUCC2024 Registration Platform, I am stating that I have read, understood, and agree with this document.

OR

By signing below, I am stating that I have read, understood, and agree with this document.

FULL NAME of participant/legal guardian

TEAM/ROLE (please print)clearly)

SIGNATURE of participant/legal guardian

DATE

