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**Volleyball Federation
of Estonia**

**Volleyball Federation
of Latvia**

**Volleyball Federation
of Lithuania**

BALTIC WOMEN VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE 2007/2008 REGULATIONS

1. Introduction

National federations of the Baltic countries aims to make the competitions for women teams more attractive for spectators, media and sponsors in order to guarantee the competition a higher status that will also result in a benefit to the main performers.

2. Participants

Participants of Baltic Women Volleyball League are three best women teams of season 2006-2007 from each of the Baltic (Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania) countries.

Estonian teams are invited:

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| 1) Viimsi VK Milstrand/EBS | - I place 2007 (Tallinn Team) |
| 2) TÜ/EEDEN | - III place 2007 (Tartu University) |
| 3) Estonian Junior Team | - VI place 2007 |

Latvian teams are invited:

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| 1) FC Riga | – I place 2007 |
| 2) LU/Jelgava | – II place 2007 |
| 3) Murjani sporta Gimnazija | – III place 2007 |

Lithuanian teams are invited:

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| 1) Kaunas Heksa | – I place 2007 |
| 2) Shiauliai | – II place 2007 |
| 3) Jonava Achema | – III place 2007 |

3. Competitions System

3.1. Main tournament

Main tournament will be played as double round robin – one home and one away.

Six tournaments – (two tournaments in each country with 3 domestic and 3 visiting teams)

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Games between EST/3, LAT/3 and LTU/3 teams themselves will be counted from concerned National championships first two round games.

3.2. Play-off

Six best teams according to Main Tournament results will qualify to Play-off Tournament (Final Six), where the games will be played as follows:

I Day (Friday):

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| Match 1 | - | MT/3. vs MT/6 |
| Match 2 | - | MT/4. vs MT/5 |

II Day (Saturday):

- Match 3 - Winner of Match 1 vs MT/2
- Match 4 - Winner of Match 2 vs MT/1
- Match 5 (for 5th place) - Loser of Match 1 vs Loser of Match 2

III Day (Sunday)

- Match 6 (for 3rd Place) - Loser of Match 3 vs Loser of Match 4
- Match 7 (for 1st Place) - Winner of Match 3 vs Winner of Match 4
- Match for the 3rd place has to be played before the match of the 1st place.

Priority to organize of Final Six Tournament has 1st place team of Main Tournament, second priority – 2nd Place of MT etc. Written confirmation of the possible organizing of Final Six has to be sent to respective National Federation **till 10 January 2008.**

4. Scoring of points

- Win with result 3:1 or 3:0 - gives 3 points
- Win with result 3:2 - gives 2 points
- Lose with 2:3 - gives 1 point
- Lose with 0:3 or 1:3 - gives 0 point.

5. Calendar

Tournaments (**home** - visitors)

I	EST – LTU	09.-11. November 2007
II	LTU – LAT	23.-25. November 2007
III	EST – LAT	07.-09. December 2007
IV	LAT – LTU	04.-06. January 2008
V	LTU – EST	18.-20. January 2008
VI	LAT – EST	15.-17. February 2008
	FINAL SIX	14.-16.March 2008

Organizing club of each tournament has to be announced through respective National federation till **01. November 2007.**

6. Starting time of the matches

Starting time of the matches are between 12:00 (on Sundays 10:00) till 20:00

7. Balls

The only ball to be used for all matches is the MIKASA MVP-200. Each hosting team has to provide at least 12 MIKASA MVP-200 balls for the warming-up of the match. During the trainings teams have to use own balls.

8. Uniforms

During the each tournament all participating teams has to present to representative of hosting club two samples of uniforms. It is not allowed to play in the same colour of uniform for both teams, in this case that is responsibility of hosting club.

9. Referees

Referees (1., 2. Referee, scorer, two line judges) are nominated by Refereeing commission of the respective National federation of the hosting club, other staff (ball retrievers, floor moppers, announcer) is nominated by hosting club.

Domestic teams of all tournaments are responsible for covering of the expenses of referees of their own games between foreign teams.

Visiting clubs can to bring own referee, in this case visiting club has to inform hosting club at least 10 days before concerned tournament. This referee has to be nominated by refereeing

Commission of National Federation of visiting team. In this case visiting team is responsible for covering of all expenses of nominated referee (per diem, transportation, lodging, meals).

10. Registration and financial items

Registration of the teams is going through the respective National Federation – deadline 10.October 2007 – form WBL- 02

Participation fee is **150.- EUR** (remark: “Women Baltic League”), which must be paid till

01.November 2007 by clubs to:

ESTONIAN VOLLEYBALL FEDERATION, reg. code 80023481

Address: Pirita tee 12, 10127 TALLINN; ESTONIA

Account no: 221002100266 Hansabank, code767

S.W.I.F.T. code: HABA EE2X

IBAN Code: EE072200221002100266

All travel (to and back to the competitions place as well as during the competitions) and lodging costs will be bear by participating teams themselves. Hosting team of each tournament in case of request of visiting teams assists to arrange the possible cheapest accommodation for official delegation (max 17 persons).

Hosting team of the concerned tournament is responsible for all organizing expenses, including sports hall, equipment etc.

11. Others

Administration and awarding of this competition will be in close co-operation of three federations – EST VF, LTU VF and LAT VF.

The highest authority of League is Jury.

Jury members are three NF Secretary Generals of participating countries. Jury's headquarters is in Estonia.

Visiting team before the match has to present to the 1st referee of the match collective license, issued and confirmed by respective National Federation.

Hosting team has to arrange training possibilities for visiting teams according the official FIVB Regulations and also water for the players during the trainings and games.

Participation of the first three teams in the Awarding ceremony is mandatory.

All matters don't announced in these Regulations could be the object of the discussions, but final decision is made by Jury.