VOLLEYBALL
History of Beach Volleyball at the Olympic Games
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INTRODUCTION

Beach volleyball made its Olympic debut at the Games of the XXVI Olympiad in Atlanta in 1996, and has been on the programme ever since. Men’s and women’s events were included at the same time.

KEY STAGES

Entry

1993: At the IOC Executive Board meeting held in September in Monaco, it was decided to include men’s and women’s beach volleyball on a trial basis for the Games of the XXVI Olympiad in Atlanta in 1996.

1996: At the IOC Executive Board meeting held in November in Cancun, it was decided to provisionally include beach volleyball on the programme of the Games of the XXVII Olympiad in Sydney in 2000.

2000: At the IOC Executive Board meeting held in December in Lausanne, it was decided to include the provisional disciplines (of beach volleyball and trampoline) on the Olympic programme.

EVOLUTION IN THE NUMBER OF TEAMS

1996: 42 teams (24 men’s, 18 women’s)
2000-2020: 48 teams (24 men’s, 24 women’s)

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