

FIVB - Fédération Internationale de Volleyball



The game was originally developed from other ball games like Mintonette by William G. Morgan, Director of Physical Education at the YMCA in Holyoke (Massachusetts, USA) in 1895. On 1895, Dec 02 Alfred T. Halstead proposed the

name volleyball. Initially played with any number of players, was this number limited to six in 1918. In 1920, another important rule was introduced: The maximum three-time touch of the ball, then it must be played over the net.

The game has flourished thanks to the YMCA across North America and a short time later around the globe.

On 1934, Aug 30, a Technical Commission for fistball and volleyball was formed within the **Fédération Internationale des Sports de Handball d'Amateurs (FIHA)**, but without significant influence.

The **Fédération Internationale de Volleyball (FIVB)** was founded by 14 associations (BEL, BRA, EGY, FRA, HUN, ITA, NED, POL, POR, ROU, TCH, URU, USA, YUG) in Paris on 1947, Apr 20. 1968, the mark of 100 members has been exceeded and 2016 the FIVB has 220 member associations.

2020: 218 member federations

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