

Olympic Games beach volleyball schedule confirmed

Lausanne, Switzerland, July 20, 2012 – Beijing Olympics women’s bronze medallists Zhang Xi and Chen Xue of China will open the beach volleyball competition of the 2012 London Olympic Games when they play the first match against Russia’s Anastasia Vasina and Anna Vozakova at Horse Guards Parade at 09:00 (local time) on Saturday, July 28.

The schedule for the beach volleyball competition was confirmed by the FIVB, LOCOG and the Olympic Broadcasting Services on Friday following the drawing of lots on Thursday in Klagenfurt, Austria.

Women’s and men’s matches will be mixed throughout the preliminary phase of the beach volleyball competition, which will run over six days with three sessions per day (09:00-12:50, 14:30-18:20, 20:00-23:50), and four matches per session except for the final day of pool play on Thursday, August 2 when there will be six matches in session two.

The preliminary phase will then be followed by the knock out final phase, starting with two days of round of 16 matches followed by the quarterfinals and then the semifinals on August 7 and the medal matches on August 8 and 9 for women and men respectively.

Defending women’s champions Misty May-Treanor and Kerri Walsh from USA will also be in action in the last match on the opening day, taking on Sydney champion and five-time Olympian Nathalie Cook of Australia and her partner Tamsin Hinchley at 23:00.

USA’s Todd Rogers and Phil Dalhausser will start the defence of their men’s title on Sunday when they play Japan’s Kentaro Asahi and Katsuhiko Shiratori at 22:00.

World champions Larissa França and Juliana Felisberta Da Silva of Brazil will also be in action on the opening day, taking on Natacha Rigobert and Elodie Li Yuk Lo of Mauritius at 17:30 while their men’s counterparts Emanuel Rego and Alison Cerutti start their campaign on Sunday at 11:00 against Austria’s Clemens Doppler and Alexander Horst.

The opening matches for the host nation sees Steve Grotowski and John Garcia-Thompson against Canada’s Josh Binstock and Martin Reader on centre court at 16:30 on the opening day followed by Shauna Mullin and Zara Dampney against another Canada pairing in Marie-Andrée Lessard and Annie Martin on Sunday at 17:30.

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Beach Volleyball - Competition Schedule Event Details

Day 1	Sat 28 Jul	
Session BV01	Start: 09:00 End: 12:50	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court
09:00 - 09:50	Women's Preliminaries - Zhang Xi - Xue (CHN) vs Vasina - Vozakova (RUS)	
10:00 - 10:50	Women's Preliminaries - Holtwick - Semmler (GER) vs Klapalová - Hájecková (CZE)	
11:00 - 11:50	Men's Preliminaries - Fijalek - Prudel (POL) vs Samoilovs - Sorokins (LAT)	
12:00 - 12:50	Men's Preliminaries - Brink - Reckermann (GER) vs Semenov - Prokopiev (RUS)	
Session BV02	Start: 14:30 End: 18:20	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court
14:30 - 15:20	Men's Preliminaries - Xu - Wu (CHN) vs Heyer - Chevallier (SUI)	
15:30 - 16:20	Women's Preliminaries - Sluková - Kolocová (CZE) vs Schwaiger D. - Schwaiger S. (AUT)	
16:30 - 17:20	Men's Preliminaries - Grotowski - Garcia-Thompson (GBR) vs Binstock - Reader (CAN)	
17:30 - 18:20	Women's Preliminaries - Larissa - Juliana (BRA) vs Rigobert - Li Yuk Lo (MRI)	
Session BV03	Start: 20:00 End: 23:50	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court
20:00 - 20:50	Men's Preliminaries - Cunha - Ricardo (BRA) vs Skarlund - Spinnangr (NOR)	
21:00 - 21:50	Women's Preliminaries - Kuhn - Zumkehr (SUI) vs Arvaniti - Tsiartsiani (GRE)	
22:00 - 22:50	Men's Preliminaries - Gibb - Rosenthal (USA) vs Chiya - Goldschmit (RSA)	
23:00 - 23:50	Women's Preliminaries - May-Treanor - Walsh (USA) vs Cook - Hinchley (AUS)	
Day 2	Sun 29 Jul	
Session BV04	Start: 09:00 End: 12:50	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court
09:00 - 09:50	Women's Preliminaries - Cicolari - Menegatti (ITA) vs Ukolova - Khomyakova (RUS)	
10:00 - 10:50	Men's Preliminaries - Herrera - Gavira (ESP) vs Benes - Kubala (CZE)	
11:00 - 11:50	Men's Preliminaries - Emanuel - Alison (BRA) vs Doppler - Horst (AUT)	
12:00 - 12:50	Women's Preliminaries - Van Iersel - Keizer (NED) vs Liliana - Baquerizo (ESP)	
Session BV05	Start: 14:30 End: 18:20	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court
14:30 - 15:20	Men's Preliminaries - Nummerdor - Schuil (NED) vs Hernandez - Fafie (VEN)	
15:30 - 16:20	Men's Preliminaries - Erdmann - Matysik (GER) vs Plavins - Smedins (LAT)	
16:30 - 17:20	Women's Preliminaries - Goller - Ludwig (GER) vs Palmer - Bawden (AUS)	
17:30 - 18:20	Women's Preliminaries - Mullin - Dampney (GBR) vs Lessard - Martin (CAN)	
Session BV06	Start: 20:00 End: 23:50	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court
20:00 - 20:50	Women's Preliminaries - Talita - Antonelli (BRA) vs Meppelink - Van Gestel (NED)	
21:00 - 21:50	Women's Preliminaries - Kessy - Ross (USA) vs Zonta - Gallay (ARG)	
22:00 - 22:50	Men's Preliminaries - Rogers - Dalhausser (USA) vs Asahi - Shiratori (JPN)	
23:00 - 23:50	Men's Preliminaries - Heuscher - Bellaguarda (SUI) vs Nicolai - Lupo (ITA)	
Day 3	Mon 30 Jul	
Session BV07	Start: 09:00 End: 12:50	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court
09:00 - 09:50	Women's Preliminaries - Klapalová - Hájecková (CZE) vs Rigobert - Li Yuk Lo (MRI)	
10:00 - 10:50	Women's Preliminaries - Zhang Xi - Xue (CHN) vs Kuhn - Zumkehr (SUI)	
11:00 - 11:50	Men's Preliminaries - Skarlund - Spinnangr (NOR) vs Binstock - Reader (CAN)	
12:00 - 12:50	Men's Preliminaries - Samoilovs - Sorokins (LAT) vs Chiya - Goldschmit (RSA)	
Session BV08	Start: 14:30 End: 18:20	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court
14:30 - 15:20	Men's Preliminaries - Brink - Reckermann (GER) vs Xu - Wu (CHN)	
15:30 - 16:20	Women's Preliminaries - Larissa - Juliana (BRA) vs Holtwick - Semmler (GER)	
16:30 - 17:20	Women's Preliminaries - Arvaniti - Tsiartsiani (GRE) vs Vasina - Vozakova (RUS)	
17:30 - 18:20	Men's Preliminaries - Grotowski - Garcia-Thompson (GBR) vs Cunha - Ricardo (BRA)	
Session BV09	Start: 20:00 End: 23:50	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court
20:00 - 20:50	Men's Preliminaries - Heyer - Chevallier (SUI) vs Semenov - Prokopiev (RUS)	
21:00 - 21:50	Men's Preliminaries - Gibb - Rosenthal (USA) vs Fijalek - Prudel (POL)	
22:00 - 22:50	Women's Preliminaries - Schwaiger D. - Schwaiger S. (AUT) vs Cook - Hinchley (AUS)	
23:00 - 23:50	Women's Preliminaries - May-Treanor - Walsh (USA) vs Sluková - Kolocová (CZE)	
Day 4	Tue 31 Jul	
Session BV10	Start: 09:00 End: 12:50	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court
09:00 - 09:50	Men's Preliminaries - Benes - Kubala (CZE) vs Asahi - Shiratori (JPN)	
10:00 - 10:50	Men's Preliminaries - Emanuel - Alison (BRA) vs Heuscher - Bellaguarda (SUI)	
11:00 - 11:50	Women's Preliminaries - Liliana - Baquerizo (ESP) vs Zonta - Gallay (ARG)	
12:00 - 12:50	Women's Preliminaries - Talita - Antonelli (BRA) vs Goller - Ludwig (GER)	

Session BV11 14:30 - 15:20 15:30 - 16:20 16:30 - 17:20 17:30 - 18:20	Start: 14:30 End: 18:20 Men's Preliminaries - Plavins - Smedins (LAT) vs Hernandez - Fañe (VEN) Men's Preliminaries - Nummerdor - Schuil (NED) vs Erdmann - Matsyik (GER) Women's Preliminaries - Palmer - Bawden (AUS) vs Meppelink - Van Gestel (NED) Women's Preliminaries - Mullin - Dampney (GBR) vs Cicolari - Menegatti (ITA)	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court
Session BV12 20:00 - 20:50 21:00 - 21:50 22:00 - 22:50 23:00 - 23:50	Start: 20:00 End: 23:50 Women's Preliminaries - Ukolova - Khomyakova (RUS) vs Lessard - Martin (CAN) Men's Preliminaries - Rogers - Dalhausser (USA) vs Herrera - Gavira (ESP) Men's Preliminaries - Nicolai - Lupo (ITA) vs Doppler - Horst (AUT) Women's Preliminaries - Kessy - Ross (USA) vs Van Iersel - Keizer (NED)	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court
Day 5	Wed 01 Aug	
Session BV13 09:00 - 09:50 10:00 - 10:50 11:00 - 11:50 12:00 - 12:50	Start: 09:00 End: 12:50 Women's Preliminaries - Zhang Xi - Xue (CHN) vs Arvaniti - Tsiartsiani (GRE) Women's Preliminaries - Holtwick - Semmler (GER) vs Rigobert - Li Yuk Lo (MRI) Men's Preliminaries - Xu - Wu (CHN) vs Semenov - Prokopiev (RUS) Men's Preliminaries - Fijalek - Prudel (POL) vs Chiya - Goldschmit (RSA)	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court
Session BV14 14:30 - 15:20 15:30 - 16:20 16:30 - 17:20 17:30 - 18:20	Start: 14:30 End: 18:20 Women's Preliminaries - Kuhn - Zumkehr (SUI) vs Vasina - Vozakova (RUS) Women's Preliminaries - Larissa - Juliana (BRA) vs Klapalová - Hájecková (CZE) Men's Preliminaries - Gibb - Rosenthal (USA) vs Samoilovs - Sorokins (LAT) Men's Preliminaries - Grotowski - Garcia-Thompson (GBR) vs Skarlund - Spinnangr (NOR)	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court
Session BV15 20:00 - 20:50 21:00 - 21:50 22:00 - 22:50 23:00 - 23:50	Start: 20:00 End: 23:50 Men's Preliminaries - Cunha - Ricardo (BRA) vs Binstock - Reader (CAN) Men's Preliminaries - Brink - Reckermann (GER) vs Heyer - Chevallier (SUI) Women's Preliminaries - Sluková - Kolocová (CZE) vs Cook - Hinchley (AUS) Women's Preliminaries - May-Treanor - Walsh (USA) vs Schwaiger D. - Schwaiger S. (AUT)	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court
Day 6	Thu 02 Aug	
Session BV16 09:00 - 09:50 10:00 - 10:50 11:00 - 11:50 12:00 - 12:50	Start: 09:00 End: 12:50 Men's Preliminaries - Nummerdor - Schuil (NED) vs Plavins - Smedins (LAT) Men's Preliminaries - Emanuel - Alison (BRA) vs Nicolai - Lupo (ITA) Women's Preliminaries - Van Iersel - Keizer (NED) vs Zonta - Gallay (ARG) Women's Preliminaries - Cicolari - Menegatti (ITA) vs Lessard - Martin (CAN)	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court
Session BV17 14:30 - 15:20 14:30 - 15:20 15:30 - 16:20 15:30 - 16:20 16:30 - 17:20 17:30 - 18:20	Start: 14:30 End: 18:20 Men's Preliminaries - Herrera - Gavira (ESP) vs Asahi - Shiratori (JPN) Women's Preliminaries - Goller - Ludwig (GER) vs Meppelink - Van Gestel (NED) Women's Preliminaries - Mullin - Dampney (GBR) vs Ukolova - Khomyakova (RUS) Men's Preliminaries - Erdmann - Matsyik (GER) vs Hernandez - Fañe (VEN) Women's Preliminaries - Kessy - Ross (USA) vs Liliana - Baquerizo (ESP) Women's Preliminaries - Talita - Antonelli (BRA) vs Palmer - Bawden (AUS)	Horse Guards Parade
Session BV18 20:00 - 20:50 21:00 - 21:50 22:00 - 22:50 22:00 - 22:50 23:00 - 23:50 23:00 - 23:50	Start: 20:00 End: 23:50 Men's Preliminaries - Heuscher - Bellaguarda (SUI) vs Doppler - Horst (AUT) Men's Preliminaries - Rogers - Dalhausser (USA) vs Benes - Kubala (CZE) Women - Women's Lucky Loser Women's Lucky Loser - Match 1 Women - Women's Lucky Loser Women's Lucky Loser - Match 2 Men - Men's Lucky Loser Men's Lucky Loser - Match 1 Men - Men's Lucky Loser Men's Lucky Loser - Match 2	Horse Guards Parade
Day 7	Fri 03 Aug	
Session BV19 09:00 - 09:50 10:00 - 10:50	Start: 09:00 End: 10:50 Men's or Women's Round of 16 - Match 1 Men's or Women's Round of 16 - Match 1	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court
Session BV20 13:00 - 13:50 14:00 - 14:50	Start: 13:00 End: 14:50 Men's or Women's Round of 16 - Match 2 Men's or Women's Round of 16 - Match 2	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court
Session BV21 17:00 - 17:50	Start: 17:00 End: 18:50 Men's or Women's Round of 16 - Match 3	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court

18:00 - 18:50	Men's or Women's Round of 16 - Match 3	
Session BV22 21:00 - 21:50 22:00 - 22:50	Start: 21:00 End: 22:50 Men's or Women's Round of 16 - Match 4 Men's or Women's Round of 16 - Match 4	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court
Day 8	Sat 04 Aug	
Session BV23 09:00 - 09:50 10:00 - 10:50	Start: 09:00 End: 10:50 Men's or Women's Round of 16 - Match 5 Men's or Women's Round of 16 - Match 5	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court
Session BV24 13:00 - 13:50 14:00 - 14:50	Start: 13:00 End: 14:50 Men's or Women's Round of 16 - Match 6 Men's or Women's Round of 16 - Match 6	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court
Session BV25 17:00 - 17:50 18:00 - 18:50	Start: 17:00 End: 18:50 Men's or Women's Round of 16 - Match 7 Men's or Women's Round of 16 - Match 7	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court
Session BV26 21:00 - 21:50 22:00 - 22:50	Start: 21:00 End: 22:50 Men's or Women's Round of 16 - Match 8 Men's or Women's Round of 16 - Match 8	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court
Day 9	Sun 05 Aug	
Session BV27 18:00 - 18:50 19:00 - 19:50	Start: 18:00 End: 19:50 Women - Women's Quarterfinals Women's Quarterfinal 1 Women - Women's Quarterfinals Women's Quarterfinal 2	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court
Session BV28 22:00 - 22:50 23:00 - 23:50	Start: 22:00 End: 23:50 Women - Women's Quarterfinals Women's Quarterfinal 3 Women - Women's Quarterfinals Women's Quarterfinal 4	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court
Day 10	Mon 06 Aug	
Session BV29 18:00 - 18:50 19:00 - 19:50	Start: 18:00 End: 19:50 Men - Men's Quarterfinals Men's Quarterfinal 1 Men - Men's Quarterfinals Men's Quarterfinal 2	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court
Session BV30 22:00 - 22:50 23:00 - 23:50	Start: 22:00 End: 23:50 Men - Men's Quarterfinals Men's Quarterfinal 3 Men - Men's Quarterfinals Men's Quarterfinal 4	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court
Day 11	Tue 07 Aug	
Session BV31 17:00 - 17:50 18:00 - 18:50	Start: 17:00 End: 18:50 Men's or Women's Semifinal 1 Men's or Women's Semifinal 1	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court
Session BV32 21:00 - 21:50 23:00 - 23:50	Start: 21:00 End: 23:50 Men's or Women's Semifinal 2 Men's or Women's Semifinal 2	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court
Day 12	Wed 08 Aug	
Session BV33 19:00 - 19:50 21:00 - 21:50	Start: 19:00 End: 22:30 Women - Women's Medal Matches Women's Bronze Medal Match Women - Women's Medal Matches Women's Gold Medal Match	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court
Day 13	Thu 09 Aug	
Session BV34 19:00 - 19:50 21:00 - 21:50	Start: 19:00 End: 22:30 Men - Men's Medal Matches Men's Bronze Medal Match Men - Men's Medal Matches Men's Gold Medal Match	Horse Guards Parade, HGP Centre Court