



FIVB WORLD GRAND PRIX REVIEWS WEEK 1 – AUGUST 1-3

Pool A

- As a result of their defeats against Russia and Turkey, USA have now lost their opening two matches of a World Grand Prix season for the first time since 2002.
- Russia won their first two opening matches against USA and Japan to record their eighth and ninth successive victory in the World Grand Prix. Their loss in their third match against Turkey last weekend ended their winning streak.
- Turkey have won their first three matches of their World Grand Prix campaign for the first time in team history.
- Japan lost all three matches in Pool A and are now on a seven-match losing streak, their longest World Grand Prix losing streak since 2008 (nine defeats in a row).

Pool B

- Kim Yeon-Koung scored 29 points for Korea and is currently the player with the most points in a single 2014 World Grand Prix match.
- Serbia won two of their three opening matches and became the sixth European team to record 25 World Grand Prix victories. Their only defeat this weekend came against Thailand in five sets with only a difference of two points between the two teams.
- Germany recorded their fifth straight-set victory against Thailand, their only victory in the three opening matches this weekend.
- With their win against Serbia, Thailand recorded their fifth win in 36 matches against European sides.

Pool C

- Brazil won all three of their World Grand Prix matches and are now on a 12-match winning streak. Against China they lost their only set in those 12 World Grand Prix matches.
- China lost their 2014 World Grand Prix opening match against Brazil and have now lost four of their 22 opening matches in the competition.
- Italy defeated China in five set, which marks the eighth time in their last nine meetings this match went to five sets.
- The Dominican Republic lost all of their first three matches in straight sets. The only other team to have lost all three opening matches at the 2014 World Grand Prix in straight sets is Australia in Group 3.



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Pool L

- Last weekend Canada beat Argentina in five sets to record their first ever World Grand Prix match victory, after suffering 9 straight defeats. They are now on one win in 11 total World Grand Prix matches.
- Netherlands have won their first six matches of a World Grand Prix season for the second time in their 11 participations (2009).
- Argentina did not gain their second victory against a European team, after losing 3-0 against Netherlands and Belgium. They now have a win-loss record of 14-1 against European teams.
- Belgium are now on four victories in the World Grand Prix. All of those victories came in straight sets, which makes them the only team to have won all of their World Grand Prix matches in straight sets.

Pool M

- Cuba have lost all six matches in the 2014 World Grand Prix and are now on a 20-match losing streak in the World Grand Prix, their longest in team history.
- By defeating Cuba, Poland recorded their fifth successive World Grand Prix match win. The last time they recorded such a winning streak was in 2009-2010, when they recorded six consecutive victories.
- Puerto Rico has won all three matches in the second week of the World Grand Prix. They have now won five World Grand Prix matches in 2014, equalling the number of victories in their four previous World Grand Prix participations.
- Peru recorded their third victory in World Grand Prix history and their second victory in a single World Grand Prix edition.

Pool R

- Algeria recorded only 32 points in their match against Czech Republic, the lowest of all teams in the 2014 World Grand Prix.
- Czech Republic have won all six matches of the 2014 World Grand Prix. Last season they only recorded two wins in total.
- Kazakhstan have now won three matches in the 2014 World Grand Prix, which equals their total of World Grand Prix victories in their previous four participations.

Pool S

- With three defeats in week two of the 2014 World Grand Prix, Australia are still searching for their first World Grand Prix win.
- Bulgaria have won all six matches in the 2014 World Grand Prix and are on a six-match winning streak, their longest winning streak in World Grand Prix team history.



- Bulgaria became the 16th nation to win at least 10 World Grand Prix matches.