



II FINAL FOUR Women's Volleyball Cup 2009 LIMA , PERU September 7-14, 2009

Competition Regulations

1. Organizer

- 1.1 For the organization of the II Final Four Women's Volleyball Cup 2009, the Pan-American Volleyball Union and the Peruvian National Volleyball Federation, in their condition of Organizing Committee, accepts to comply with the terms and conditions established in these Competition Regulation that are the official statutes of the event.
- 1.2 The Peruvian National Volleyball Federation, **Host National Federation**, in their condition of Organizing Committee, **will be responsible for the organization of the II Final Four Women's Volleyball Cup 2009**, programmed to be held on September 7 - 14, 2009.
- 1.3 **Organization Addresses & Contacts:**

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2. Host Country and Competition Venue

2.1 Host Country:

The **II Final Four Women's Volleyball Cup 2009** will be held in the city of Lima , Peru. The event will be held on September 7-14, 2009.

2.2 International Airports of arrival and departure:

The International Airports for the arrival and departure of participating National Teams in the **II Final Four Women's Volleyball Cup 2009** will be the following:

- Jorge Chavez International Airport of the city of Lima , Peru.

2.3 Competition Venue:

The competition venue is the following:

The City Sport Stadium

This Competition Venue has been inspected and homologated by the Pan-American Volleyball Union for this competition.

2.4 Training Venue:

The training venue for participating teams will be the following:

Two Training Venues will be available for the training of participating teams.

2.5 Accommodation, meals, international and internal transportation:

Accommodation, meals, international and internal transportation for Participating Teams, Control Committee and Referees will be provided and covered by Organizing Committee, from September 7 through September 14, 2009. For the international transportation of participating teams delegations a total of 18 airline tickets will be provided by the Organizing Committee per participating teams (12 players , 1 head coach, 1 assistant coach, 1 team doctor FIVB accredited, 1 trainer and /or physiotherapist, 1 referee FIVB International and 1 team manager).

3. Statutes & Authority

3.1 Competition Regulations:

These Regulations will be the statute that controls the competition. Any situation not covered by these Regulations will be decided according to FIVB Regulations, including its Constitution, Administrative, Sport, Financial, General Regulations, Complementary Statutes and Code of Conduct.

3.2 FIVB Official Rules of the Games

The **II Final Four Women's Volleyball Cup 2009** will be played in accordance with the FIVB Official Rules of the Game in force.

3.3 **Control Committee**

The competition will be conducted by the Control Committee, which will be designated and appointed by the President of the Pan-American Volleyball Union.

3.4 **VISA information:**

In order to facilitate the participation of qualified National Teams in the **II Final Four Women's Volleyball Cup 2009**, the Organizing Committee guarantees, throughout the correspondent governmental authorities, the entry VISA that will permit the entry into Peru of participating team members registered in the FIVB 0-2 Form.

4. **Event Schedule and Activities:**

DATE	ACTIVITY
August 10, 2009	Letter from participating National Federations confirming the participation of their National Team to the Pan-American Volleyball Union.
August 15, 2009	Payment of Entry Fees of US\$1,000.00 (One Thousand Dollars) to be remitted together with the FIVB 0-2 Form to the Pan-American Volleyball Union and to the Peruvian National Volleyball Federation for the official registration of participating National Teams.
September 4, 2009	Arrival of VIS Instructor
September 5-7, 2009	VIS equipment inspection, installation, testing and practical clinic for VIS support personnel and staff.
September 6, 2009	Arrival of Control Committee Members
September 7, 2009	Arrival of Referees and participating Teams Delegation. <ul style="list-style-type: none">•10:00 Control Committee and Organizing Committee meeting, to be held at the City Sports Stadium.•14:00 Inspection visit to the competition and training venues, accommodation facilities, security, working offices, meeting rooms, VIS, Press Conference Hall, T.V. transmission and transportation.• 14:00-20:00 Training of participating teams.
September 8, 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•08:00-20:00 Training of participating teams.•09:00-12:00 Preliminary inquiry for participating teams at the Teams Hotel.•08:00-11:00 Team training at the City Sports Stadium.•10:00 Final Inspection visit to the competition and training venues, accommodation facilities, security, working offices, meeting rooms, VIS, Press Conference Hall, T.V. transmission and transportation.

- 11:00-13:00** Practical Clinic for Referees, Scorekeepers, Line Judges, VIS and support personnel, to be held at the City Sports Stadium.
- 14:00-17:00** **Team training at the City Sports Stadium.**
- 18:00** Control Committee meeting.
- 19:00** Head Coaches Press Conference at the teams hotel.
- 20:00** General Technical meeting at the teams hotel.

September 9, 2009

Day 1- Competition

City Stadium.

Preliminary Round- Matches No. 1-2 • 18:00 - 20:00.

The schedule and order of the matches will be decided in accordance with the Brazilian Volleyball Confederation, taking into consideration the TV transmission schedule.

September 10, 2009

Day 2 - Competition

City Stadium.

Preliminary Round- Matches No. 3-4. 18:00 - 20:00

The schedule and order of the matches will be decided in accordance with the Brazilian Volleyball Confederation, taking into consideration the TV transmission schedule.

September 11, 2009

Day 3 - Competition

City Stadium.

Preliminary Round- Matches No. 5-6 • 18:00 - 20:00

The schedule and order of the matches will be decided in accordance with the Brazilian Volleyball Confederation, taking into consideration the TV transmission schedule.

September 12, 2009

Day 4 - Competition

City Stadium

Semi-Final Round- Matches No. 7-8 • 18:00 - 20:00

1st vs. 4th. And 2nd vs 3rd

The schedule and order of the matches will be decided in accordance with the Brazilian Volleyball Confederation, taking into consideration the TV transmission schedule

September 13, 2009

Day 5 - Competition

City Stadium.

Final Round- Matches No. 9-10 • 18:00 - 20:00

Winners of matches 7 and 8 for the Champion and Vice-Champion, and the losers for the 3rd and 4th place of the event.

The schedule and order of the matches will be decided in accordance with the Brazilian Volleyball Confederation, taking into consideration the TV transmission schedule

September 14, 2009 Departure of Control Committee members, Referees and participating Teams.

5. Participating Teams Delegation Composition

- 5.1 Four teams will participate in the **II Final Four Women's Volleyball Cup 2009**. They are the top four teams qualified in the past VIII Pan-American Women's Volleyball Cup, 2009.

Brazil
Dominican Republic
United States of America
Peru (Host Country)

5.2 Team Composition:

Each team delegation will be composed of a maximum of 20 persons, consisting of:

- Up to fourteen (14) Players
- Four (4) Officials (Head Coach, Assistant Coach, psychotherapist, Team Manager)
- One (1) Doctor (FIVB accredited)
- One (1) Referee (FIVB or International FIVB)

Note; The Peruvian Volleyball Federation will cover the International Transportation in economic class for a maximum of 18 persons per participating team.

The international travel, hotel and general expenses of the additional two (2) players must be covered by the National Federation of the participating team.

5.3 Team Delegation additional personnel:

All person that exceed the total stipulated in Article 5.2 will be considered as additional personnel and the National Federation (NF) that registers will be responsible for the payment of their expenses, including lodging, meals, international and internal transportation. The names of these persons should be submitted in advance to the Peruvian National Volleyball Federation and/or to the Pan-American Volleyball Union. The National Federation concerned must pay the amount of US\$100.00 daily per additional person based on double occupancy and US\$150.00 daily per person in single occupancy. The National Federation (NF) that registers additional personnel shall make the correspondent payment before but not later than the Preliminary Enquiry.

6. Player's Eligibility

- 6.1 Participating players must be citizens of the country that they represent according to the FIVB Sports and General Regulations.
The official document to verify the player's eligibility is their valid passport, issued by the competent governmental authorities of their country.
- 6.2 The passports of all players must be presented to the Control Committee for its verification during the preliminary inquiry. Players whose original passport (no passport copies will be admitted) are not presented during the preliminary enquiry will not be accredited and therefore will not be able to participate in the competition.

7. Registration and participation fees

7.1 Registration:

The registration of each National Team will consist in submitting the FIVB O-2 Form to the Pan-American Volleyball Union together with the payment of the registration fee of US\$1,000.00. For the registration of participating teams the use of the official FIVB O2 form is required. These forms are available to be downloaded throughout the FIVB website.

7.1.1 The payment of the Registration fee could be made effective throughout an international bank transfer and/or throughout a check payment (administration bank check) to be remitted to the Pan-American Volleyball Union by courier, or in cash to the Control Committee Representative, during the Preliminary Team Inquiry.

7.1.2 For the payment of the Registration fee throughout an international bank transfer, the transfer payment should be made to the bank account of the Panamerican Volleyball Union.

7.1.3 A copy of the FIVB O-2 Form, one (1) team photo and individual photos (size 2x2) of all members of each participating team delegation (players, officials, doctors and referees) must be remitted by e mail, express certified mail and/or courier to the Peruvian National Volleyball Federation and to the Pan-American Volleyball Union.

7.2 Team final registration (FIVB O-2 bis Form)

During the Preliminary Enquiry, the Team Manager must submit to the Control Committee the FIVB O-2 bis Form with a maximum of 14 players. In case that the FIVB O-2 bis Form is not provided to the Control Committee, the first 12 players in the FIVB O-2 Form will constitute the team. A minimum of 9 players that participated in the past VIII Pan-American Women's Volleyball Cup must be included in the FIVB O2 Form in order to be eligible to participate in the II Final Four Women's Volleyball Cup, 2009. All participating team must register a minimum total of 12 players, a fine of US\$1,000.00 per player, will be imposed on those teams registering less than 12 players, a minimum of nine players is mandatory for a national team to be eligible to participate in the competition .

7.3 **Registration Fee**

Each participating team must pay an entry fee of US\$1,000.00 (One Thousand Dollars).

7.3.1 This payment should be made in cash, during the Preliminary Inquiry of participating teams, or throughout a certified check, made and payable to the order of the Panamerican Volleyball Union. The Registration fee should be remitted together with the original of the FIVB O-2 Form.

8. **Official Rules, Ball & Uniforms**

8.1 The **II Final Four Women's Volleyball Cup 2009** will be played under the current FIVB rules at the time of the competition. All necessary interpretations are to be clarified during the Referee Clinic and/or the General Technical Meeting.

8.2 A new Libero Test Rule will be implemented during the II Final Four Women's Volleyball Cup 2009. Teams registering two Liberos Players will be allow to substitute them freely during the match in process. Only one Libero Player is allowed on the playing court. Substitution of the Libero is to be implemented from the side line as it is with the actual Libero Rule in force. Registration of the Libero substitution is to be implemented according to the actual Libero Rule in force.

8.3 **Official Ball:**

The official ball will be the Mikasa MVP 200.

8.4 **Uniforms:**

Player's uniforms should be in accordance with FIVB Official Rules. Each team should have available a minimum of two (2) sets of playing uniforms of different colors, one of which should be based colored white. The team Captain and Libero uniforms should be presented at the preliminary enquiry for Control Committee inspection. The player's names and numbers on the uniforms must be the same as on the FIVB O-2 and O-2 bis Forms.

8.4 **Publicity on uniforms:**

Publicity on players' uniforms must be authorized by the Pan-American Volleyball Union in order to avoid the event sponsorships conflict. No quota fees for publicity on the team's uniforms will be charged to the participating teams.

8.5 **Dress code for Officials on the bench:**

All Officials on the bench must be properly dressed according to the dress code of the current FIVB Regulations. Those Officials that do not comply with the established dress code will not be allowed to seat on the bench. The team present publicity in its uniforms, will have according the FIVB Advertising Guideline.

9. Competition Format and Teams Distribution

9.1 The **II Final Four Women's Volleyball Cup 2009** will be played under the following competition format:

- A four teams Round Robin will be played. The teams ranked in the Preliminary Round will advance to compete in the Semifinal Round. (1st Vs. 4th and 2nd Vs. 3rd). Winners of the Semifinal Round would play a match to determine the Champion and Vice-Champion. The losers of the Semifinal Round would play one match to determine the 3rd and 4th place.

9.2 Round Robin Ranking

The ranking of teams will be determined by the results of the matches on the basis of matches won and lost and according to the number of points gained among participating teams. The following points will be awarded per match to each team:

Match Won	=	2 points
Match Lost	=	1 point
Match Forfeited	=	0 point

9.3 Tie Breaking Procedure

In case of equality in the number of points gained by two or more teams, the tie will be broken by the point's ratio according to Article 8.3 of the FIVB Sport Regulations, by the following criteria in order of importance:

- Point Quotient:** In case of equality in the number of points gained by two or several teams they will be classified in descending order by the quotient resulting from the division of all points scored by the total of points lost.
- Set Quotient:** If the tie persists as per the point's quotient the teams will be classified in descending order by the quotient resulting from the division of the number of all sets won by the number of all sets lost.
- If the tie continues as per the set quotient between two teams,** the priority will be given to the team which won the last match between them.
- When the tie is between three or more teams** a new classification of these teams will be made taking into consideration only the matches in which they were opposed to each other.

10. Rights of the Host Country

10.1 The host country has the right to choose one (1) match in the Competition Schedule of the Preliminary Round.

10.2 Once the Preliminary, Semifinal and Final Round matches are established, the Peruvian National Volleyball Federation will propose to the Control Committee the time and order of all matches to be played.

- 10.3 The host country will also have all other rights as established in the FIVB General Regulations.

11. Financial Responsibilities

- 11.1 The following will be the financial responsibilities of the Peruvian National Volleyball Federation, in their condition of Organizing Committee:

- a) **International Transportation for** Control Committee members, Referees and Team Delegations,
- b) **Internal Transportation, lodging, and meals** for Control Committee members, Referees and Team Delegations, from the date of arrival to date of departure.
- c) **Medical Services:** First Aid Medical Service must be provided during the Competition (International Medical Insurance is recommended for participating teams in order to cover the payment of the medical services required by the members of their delegation).
- d) **Payment of Per Diem** for Control Committee Members, International Referees, Press and Medical Delegate: US\$100.00 per day, from two (2) days before and one (1) day after the competition and US\$150.00 for the VIS Delegate, Press Delegate and Competition Director, according to the Financial Regulation established by the Pan-American Volleyball Union. The Peruvian National Volleyball Federation, in their condition of Organizing Committee, will be able to establish the corresponding agreements for the payment of the per diem for local officials, technical and support personnel. The payment of the per diem for local official, technical and support personnel is to be established by mutual agreement with the Peruvian National Federation.

NOTE 1: The payment of Per Diem to the Control Committee Members, Competition Director, Press Delegate, Medical Delegate, VIS Delegate, Technical Personnel and Referees, should be made before the conclusion of the Preliminary Round.

NOTE 2: The payment of Per Diem to local officials, technical and support personnel, including the members of the Control Committee of the host country, medical and press delegate, is to be made in accordance with the established agreement between the Peruvian National Volleyball Federation and the person contracted for the required services.

- e) The Peruvian National Volleyball Federation must cover the following financial responsibilities towards the Pan-American Volleyball Union:

Event Host Fee

- **US\$20,000.00** (Twenty Thousand Dollars) to cover the payment of the hosting fee of the Event, to be paid to the Pan-American Volleyball Union.

Registration Fee

- **Participating teams Registration Fee.** For this event in particular and due to the category (Senior) of the event, the Registration Fee for participating teams will be US\$1,000.00 (One Thousand Dollars). The Registration Fee of participating teams will be paid to the Panamerican Volleyball Union. 50% of the registration fee will be paid to the Host National Volleyball Federation and 50% to be paid to the Panamerican Volleyball Union.

Sponsorship and Marketing

- A total fee of USD\$10,000.00 for the marketing and/or sponsorship of Local and International Radio and TV transmissions, as well as for the Marketing rights of Local and International Sponsorships is to be paid to the Pan-American Volleyball Union, establishing a minimum fee of US\$1,000.00 (One Thousand Dollars) for each sponsor promoting their products inside or outside the Main Competition Venues.

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Note: Government, State and/or Provincial economical support and/or contribution will not be considered as sponsorship, commercialization and/or marketing.

- f) **Air Fare** the Peruvian National Volleyball Federation, in their condition of Organizing Committee, will be responsible to cover the payment of the air fare (economical class) for Control Committee Members (one president of the control committee, one referee sub. Committee member and one appeal sub. Committee member), as well as, 18 air line tickets for the international transportation of each participating team delegations..

11.2 The following are the financial responsibility for participating National Federations:

- a) To remit a letter confirming the participation of their National Team to the Peruvian National Volleyball Federation and to the Pan-American Volleyball Union.
- b) Payment of Registration Fee US\$1,000.00 (One Thousand Dollars) to the Panamerican Volleyball Union.
- c) Be responsible for all other additional expenses of their delegation that may apply.
- d) Payment of visas and airport taxes.

- e) Payment of International Transportation of the extra persons in the Delegation.

12. Complaints and Appeals

12.1 Complaints:

- a) All complaints must be presented in writing to the Control Committee. The procedure established to present a complaint must be according to Article 9 of the FIVB Sports Regulations. Complaints will be solved according to the FIVB General, Sports and Rules of the Games in force.
- b) Complaints related with a technical issue (violation of the FIVB Rules of the Games) must be solved by the acting Control Committee of the match where the violation of the Rules of the Games has been verified. The procedure must be in accordance with the FIVB Sports Regulation (**Judges Conferences**). Violation of the Rules of the Games must be claimed, by the affected team, during the development of the match in course and must be solved during the match by the Control Committee.
- c) All complaints and appeals not related with a technical issue and/or violation of the Rules of the Games must be presented in writing to the Control Committee President (FIVB Technical Delegate) within 60 minutes after the conclusion of the match. Complaints and appeals must be presented with a deposit of US\$500.00 cash; if the complaints and/or appeals proceed the deposit will be reimbursed. The Control Committee President must announce the verdict within 12 hours after the presentation of the complaint and/or appeal.

12.2 Sanctions:

For this competition the following sanctions have been established:

- a) Negligence to provide the FIVB O-2 Form by the deadline established, will apply a sanction of US\$500.00.
- b) Negligence to provide the Registration Fee by the deadline established, will apply a sanction of US\$500.00.
- c) The nonfulfillment of Article 8.3 of these Regulations, corresponding to the uniforms of Participating Teams, in accordance with the FIVB Official Uniform Regulations, will apply to a US \$3,000.00 sanction.
- d) The non participation of the coach and team captain in the press conference after each match, as well as in the coaches press conference, will be subject to an fine of US\$1,000.00 sanction.
- e) All sanctions established by FIVB Constitution, Code of Conduct, Administrative, Financial, Sport and General Regulations would be applicable.

13. Referees

13.1 Each participating National Federation must nominate one (1) Referee from one of the following categories:

- FIVB
- FIVB International Referee

13.2 **The Pan-American Volleyball Union President** or his **Representative**, with the advice of the Refereeing Sub. Committee Delegate, will evaluate the nomination of the Referees presented by each participating National Federation to approve or reject them.

13.3 Other Officials:

13.3.1 According to the FIVB General Regulations and considering that the **II Final Four Women's Volleyball Cup 2009** is an Intercontinental Event, the Control Committee (Refereeing Sub-Commission and Appeal Sub-Commission) will be composed by representatives of NORCECA and the South American Volleyball Confederations.

13.3.2 Line judges, scorekeepers, statisticians, VIS, ball retriever, sweepers, scoreboard operators, announcers and other supporting personnel shall be presented by the representative of the Peruvian National Volleyball Federation to the Control Committee President and/or his representative for approval.

13.3.3 The Peruvian National Volleyball Federation will present these personnel to the Control Committee during the Refereeing Clinic, for evaluation and approval.

13.3.4 The Refereeing Sub-Commission will assist the Control Committee with officials and support personnel and will be responsible for their supervision.

14. Training Facilities

14.1 The Peruvian National Volleyball Federation, in their condition of Organizing Committee, will provide training facilities with appropriate conditions for the daily training of the participating teams, for at least 1.5 hours from their arrival until the end of the competition.

14.2 Each Team will have a minimum of one training session of 1.5 hours in the official competition venue prior to the event.

15. Security

The Peruvian National Volleyball Federation, in their condition of Organizing Committee must guarantee the security of the participating team delegations, from

their arrival until their departure, including hotels, main competition venue, training venues, during official matches as well as for their internal transportation.

16. **Accreditations**

The Peruvian National Volleyball Federation, in their condition of Organizing Committee, must provide the correspondent accreditation to all participating teams, Officials, Referees, National and International Technical and Support Staff. Accreditations must be designed according to the standards established by FIVB and must include the logos of FIVB, NORCECA, the South American Confederation, the Pan-American Volleyball Union, the Peruvian National Volleyball Federation, title of the competition, photo and function of the accreditation holder.

FIVB	This accreditation is reserved strictly for FIVB officials.
PVU	This accreditation is strictly reserved for the Pan-American Volleyball Union Officials.
COF	This accreditation is strictly reserved for the NORCECA's and CSV Confederation officials
CC	This accreditation is reserved for Control Committee members assigned to the competition.
NF	His accreditation is reserved for the members of the Executive & Board Administration of the Host National Federation.
OC	This accreditation is reserved for the members of the Organizing Committee of the hosting country of the event.
G	This accreditation is reserved for all governmental officials of the host country of the event.
D	This accreditation is reserved for accredited members of the Diplomatic Corp. of the host country of the event.
VIP	This accreditation is reserved for special guests.
TP	This accreditation is reserved for the technical personnel and staff assigned to specific areas of the organization of the event. (VIS (statisticians), Line Judges, Scorekeepers, Scoreboard Operators)
SP	This accreditation is reserved for the support personnel assigned to specific areas of the organization of the event. (Ball retrievers, sweepers, Flag holders, announcers, venues working staff)
P	This accreditation is strictly reserved for accredited Journalists, Press, Host Broadcaster, International Press Agencies and Local Press Agencies.
A	This accreditation is strictly reserved for participating players. (Athletes Only).
TS	This accreditation is strictly reserved for the staff of participating teams. Team Staff: Team Manager, Head Coach, Assistant Coach, Registered FIVB Team Doctor, Therapist and Team Statisticians.
S	This accreditation is strictly reserved for security personnel only.
R	This accreditation is exclusively reserved for participating International Referees.
MD	This accreditation corresponds to the medical personnel assigned to the event.

17. Medical Services

- 17.1 The Peruvian National Volleyball Federation, in their condition of Organizing Committee, will provide first aid medical services during the competition.
- 17.2 All team delegations shall be responsible for their medical expenses. (It is recommended that all participating teams be provided by their own international medical insurance in order to cover the medical services provided, if necessary, to the members of their delegation).

18 Awards:

The first four (4) ranked teams will be awarded as follows:

- 18.1 1st Place: Gold Medal and Team Trophy.
- 18.2 2nd Place: Silver Medal and Team Trophy.
- 18.3 3rd Place: Bronze Medal and Team Trophy.
- 18.4 4th Place: Recognition Plate.

18.5 Individual Awards:

The Control Committee will present individual awards to the following players, taking into consideration the final result of the VIS System. The awards to be presented are:

Best Spiker	Best Blocker
Best Reception	Best Defense
Best Server	Best Libero
Best Scorer	Most Valuable Player (MVP)
Best Setter	

18.6. The libero players will compete among each other for the best libero award of the event. Additionally the libero players will be able to opt for the best defense and reception award of the event. If a libero player obtains all three above indicated awards, she has an option to be elected for the Most Valuable Player Award, (MVP) of the event.

- 18.7. The Most Valuable Player, MVP, of the event will be awarded to the player that, from among the two finalist teams that will compete for the first place, Gold Medal of the event, will register the highest amount of points scored and accumulated in attack, block and serve during the competition, according to the final results of the Volleyball Information System, VIS. Also, the setter and the libero player will be able to opt for the Most Valuable Player award of the event if her team is in the final for the first place, Gold Medal of the event.

- 18.8. The Control Committee members will be responsible to evaluate the Most Valuable Player of the event, taking as reference his individual performance according to the statistics of the Volleyball Information System, VIS.

These Competition Regulations have been reviewed by Lic. Cristobal Marte Hoffiz, President of the Control Committee and Competition Director of the II Final Four Women's Volleyball Cup, 2009 , approved by the Peruvian Volleyball National Federation and the Pan-American Volleyball Union.

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