



V Pan-American Women's Volleyball Cup 2006 San Juan, Puerto Rico June 27– July 8, 2006

Competition Regulations

1. Organizer

- 1.1 For the celebration of the V Pan American Women's Volleyball Cup 2006, the Puerto Rico Volleyball Federation accepts to comply with the terms and conditions established in this competition regulation that are the official statutes of the event.
- 1.2 The **Puerto Rico National Volleyball Federation**, affiliated to the North, Central American and Caribbean Volleyball Confederation, NORCECA and to the Federation Internationale de Volleyball, FIVB, **will be responsible for the organization of the V Pan-American Women's Volleyball Cup 2006**, qualifying event to the FIVB 2007 World Grand Prix, programmed to be held from June 27th to July 8th, 2006, in the city of San Juan, Puerto Rico.

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2. Host City and Competition Venues

2.1 Host City:

The **V Pan-American Women's Volleyball Cup 2006** will be held in the city of San Juan, Puerto Rico. The event will be held from June 27th to July 8th, 2006.

2.2 International Airport of arrival and departure:

The International Airport for the arrival and departure of participating National

Teams in the **V Pan-American Women's Volleyball Cup 2006**, is the International Airport "Luís Muñoz Marín", in the city of San Juan, Puerto Rico.

2.3 Competition Venues:

The competition venues will be the Roberto Clemente Coliseum and the Pedrín Zorrilla Coliseum, both located in Hato Rey, San Juan, Puerto Rico. These Competition Venues have been inspected and homologated by NORCECA for this competition.

2.4 Training Venues:

The training venues for participating teams will be the following:

A) Cupey Volleyball Center

Av. Alejandrino, Río Piedras, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

B) Río Piedra's Indoor Complex

Av. Barbosa y de Diego, (in front of San Antonio School) Río Piedras, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Tel: (787) 751-7785

C) San Antonio School Indoor Complex

Av. Barbosa y de Diego, Río Piedras, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

D) Rebekah Colberg Multisports Center

Calle Montellanos (final), Urbanización Matienzo Cintrón, Río Piedras, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Tel: (787) 763-1039

2.5 Accommodation, meals and internal transportation:

Accommodation, meals and internal transportation for Participating Teams, Control Committee and Referees will be covered by the Puerto Rico National Volleyball Federation and/or the Organizing Committee, from June 27th to July 8th, 2006.

2.6 Hotels

The Hotel assigned for the accommodation of Participating Teams, Control Committee and Referees are the following:

A) Team's Hotel

Courtyard by Marriot Hotel

Isla Verde Beach Resort

Carrtera 187 Km.1.5

Av. Los Gobernadores

Isla Verde, Carolina, Puerto Rico.

Tel: (787) 791-0404

www.marriott.com

Sheraton Old San Juan
100 Brumbaugh
San Juan, Puerto Rico 00901
Tel: (787) 721-5100
www.sheratonoldsanjuan.com

B) Control Committee Members, Referees and Officials Hotel

Embassy Suite Hotel & Casino
8000 Tartak St.
Isla Verde, Puerto Rico 00929
Tel: (787) 791-0505
www.embassysuitessanjuan.com

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 NORCECA Regulations and in the contrary by the 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 **V Pan-American Women's Volleyball Cup 2006** 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 NORCECA Volleyball Confederation.

3.4 VISA information:

In order to facilitate the participation of qualified National Teams in the **V Pan-American Women's Volleyball Cup 2006**, the Puerto Rico National Volleyball Federation must guarantee throughout the correspondent governmental authorities, the entry VISA that will permit the entry of participating team members registered in the FIVB 0-2 Form into Puerto Rico.

4. Events Schedule:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>
February 15, 2006	Letter from participating National Federations confirming the participation of their National Team to the Puerto Rico National Volleyball Federation and NORCECA.
March 27, 2006	Payment of Entry Fees of US\$1,000 (One Thousand Dollars) to be remitted to NORCECA, together with the FIVB 0-2 Form that

must be remitted to NORCECA and to the Puerto Rico National Volleyball Federation for the official registration of participating National Teams.

- June 22, 2006** Arrival of VIS Instructor
- June 23-26, 2006** VIS equipment inspection, installation, testing and practical clinic for VIS support personnel and staff.
- June 27, 2006** Arrival of Control Committee, Referees and Participating Teams.
•**10:00** Control Committee and Organizing Committee meeting, to be held at the Puerto Rico National Volleyball Federation Headquarters.
•**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.
- June 28, 2006** •**10:00-16:00** Preliminary inquiry for participating teams at the Hotel Courtyard by Marriot
•**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.
•**11:00-14:00** First Practical Clinic for Referees, Scorekeepers, Line Judges, VIS and support personnel, to be held at the Roberto Clemente Coliseum.
•**14:00-17:00** Second Practical Clinic for Referees, Scorekeepers, Line Judges, VIS and support personnel, to be held at the Pedrín Zorrilla Coliseum.
•**18:00** Control Committee meeting at the Puerto Rico National Volleyball Federation Headquarters.
•**20:00** General Technical meeting at the Convention Hall, Hotel Courtyard by Marriot.
- June 29, 2006** **Day 1- Competition**
Group A - Roberto Clemente Coliseum.
Preliminary Round - Matches No. 1-3-5 •15:00 - 17:00 - 20:00
Group B – Pedrín Zorrilla Coliseum
Preliminary Round – Matches No. 2-4-6 •12:00 – 14:00 – 16:00
The schedule and order of the matches will be decided in accordance with the Puerto Rico National Volleyball Federation, taking into consideration the TV transmission schedule.
- June 30, 2006** **Day 2 - Competition**
Group A - Roberto Clemente Coliseum.
Preliminary Round - Matches No. 7-9-11 •15:00 - 17:00 - 20:00
Group B – Pedrín Zorrilla Coliseum

Preliminary Round – Matches No. 8-10-12 •13:00 – 15:00 – 17:00
The schedule and order of the matches will be decided in accordance with the Puerto Rico National Volleyball Federation, taking into consideration the TV transmission schedule.

July 1, 2006

Day 3 - Competition

Group A - Roberto Clemente Coliseum.

Preliminary Round - Matches No. 13-15-17 •15:00 - 17:00 - 20:00

Group B – Pedrín Zorrilla Coliseum

Preliminary Round –Matches No.14-16-18• 13:00 – 15:00 – 17:00

The schedule and order of the matches will be decided in accordance with the Puerto Rico National Volleyball Federation, taking into consideration the TV transmission schedule.

July 2, 2006

Day 4 - Competition

Group A - Roberto Clemente Coliseum.

Preliminary Round - Matches No. 19-21-23 •15:00 - 17:00 - 20:00

Group B – Pedrín Zorrilla Coliseum

Preliminary Round –Matches No.20-22-24• 13:00 – 15:00 – 17:00

The schedule and order of the matches will be decided in accordance with the Puerto Rico National Volleyball Federation, taking into consideration the TV transmission schedule

July 3, 2006

Day 5 - Competition

Group A - Roberto Clemente Coliseum.

Preliminary Round - Matches No. 25-27-29 •15:00 - 17:00 - 20:00

Group B – Pedrín Zorrilla Coliseum

Preliminary Round –Matches No.26-28-30• 13:00 – 15:00 – 17:00

The schedule and order of the matches will be decided in accordance with the Puerto Rico National Volleyball Federation, taking into consideration the TV transmission schedule

July 4, 2006

Rest Day.

Training of participating teams according to the established training schedule.

July 5, 2006

Day 6 – Competition

Classification 11/12 Match No. 31 • 14:00

Classification 9/10 Match No. 32 • 16:00

Quarter Finals

Matches No. 33/34 • 18:00 - 20:00

The schedule and order of the matches will be decided in accordance with the Puerto Rico National Volleyball Federation, taking into consideration the TV transmission schedule

July 6, 2006

Day 7 – Competition

Classification 7/8 Match No. 35 • 14:00

Classification 5/6 Match No. 36 • 16:00

Semifinals

Matches No. 37/38 • 18:00 - 20:00.

The schedule and order of the matches will be decided in accordance with the Puerto Rico National Volleyball Federation, taking into consideration the TV transmission schedule

July 7, 2006

Day 8 – Competition • Finals

Matches No. 39/40 • 16:00, 20:00

The schedule and order of the matches will be decided in accordance with the Puerto Rico National Volleyball Federation, taking into consideration the TV transmission schedule

July 8, 2006

Departure of Control Committee members, Referees and participating Teams.

5. Participating Teams & Delegation Composition

5.1 A maximum of twelve (12) teams will participate in the **V Women’s Pan-American Cup 2006**. They are the Tops twelve (12) of the FIVB World Ranking Teams in America (NORCECA and South American Volleyball Confederation), including their final ranking in the past IV Pan-American Women’s Volleyball Cup:

Argentina	United States
Barbados	Dominican Republic
Brazil	México
Canada	Perú
Costa Rica	Venezuela
Cuba	Puerto Rico, (Host Country)

5.2 Team Composition:

Each team delegation will be composed of a maximum of 19 persons, consisting of:

- Twelve (12) Players
- Four (4) Officials (Head Coach, Assistant Coach, Therapist, Team Manager)
- One (1) Doctor (FIVB accredited)
- One (1) Sports Journalist (FIVB accredited and/or NORCECA)
- One (1) Referee (FIVB, International FIVB, International FIVB Referee Candidate and/or Continental Referee)

5.3 Additional personnel on the teams:

All person that exceed what is stipulated in Article 5.2 will be considered as additional personnel and the National Federation (NF) that registers them will have to pay for all their expenses including lodging, meals and internal transportation. The names of these persons should be submitted in advance to the Puerto Rico National Volleyball Federation and/or NORCECA, and the National Federation concerned must pay the amount of US\$100.00 daily per

person for their registration based on double occupancy or 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 inquiry 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 NORCECA Volleyball Confederation together with the payment of the registration fee of US\$1,000.00 before March 27, 2006. The original FIVB O-2 Form is to be sent to:

7.1.1 The payment of the Registration fee could be made effective to NORCECA throughout an international bank transfer and/or throughout a check payment (administration bank check) to be remitted to NORCECA by courier.

7.1.2 For the payment of the Registration fee throughout an international bank transfer, the transfer payment should be made to the following bank accounts:

Cristóbal Marte Hoffiz

President of NORCECA Volleyball Confederation

Account name:	Banco BDI, S.A.
SWIFT Code:	IBMIUS3M
ABA:	067001699
Account No.:	990002687-06
Bank name:	International Bank of Miami
Address:	121 Alhambra Plaza, 15 th floor. Coral Gables, Florida 33134

- 7.1.3 The payment of the Registration fee throughout a check (bank administration check), must be remitted to NORCECA, together with the original of the FIVB O-2 Form, by certified express mail and/or courier to the following address:

NORCECA Volleyball Confederation

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- 7.1.4 A copy of the FIVB O-2 Form, one(1) team photo and individual photos (size 2x2) of all members of each participating team delegations (players, officials, doctors, journalists and referees) must be remitted by express certified mail and/or courier to the Puerto Rico National Volleyball Federation to the following address:

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7.2 Players 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 12 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.

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 throughout a certified check, made and payable to the order of NORCECA Volleyball Confederation. The Registration fee should be remitted together with the original of the FIVB O-2 Form before March 27, 2006.

8. Official Rules, Ball & Uniforms

8.1 The **V Pan-American Women's Volleyball Cup 2006** 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 Official Ball:

The official ball will be the Mikasa MVP 200. NORCECA Confederation will provide to the Puerto Rico National Volleyball Federation a total of 25 volleyballs Mikasa MVP200.

8.3 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 inquiry 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 NORCECA previous to the payment of the established quota.

8.5 Dress code for Officials on the bench:

All Officials on the bench must conform to the dress code of the current FIVB Regulations. Those Officials that do not comply with the dress code established will not be allowed to seat on the bench.

9. Competition Format and Teams Distribution

9.1 The **V Pan-American Women's Volleyball Cup 2006** will be played under the following competition format:

- a) With twelve (12) Teams two (2) groups of six (6) will be formed.
- b) With eleven (11) Teams two (2) groups will be formed; one of five (5) and one of six (6).
- c) With ten (10) Teams two (2) groups of five (5) will be formed.
- d) With nine (9) Teams two (2) groups will be formed, one (1) of four (4) and one (1) of five (5).
- e) With eight (8) Teams two (2) groups of four (4) will be formed.
- f) With seven (7) Teams two (2) groups will be formed, one of four (4) and one (1) of three (3).
- g) With six (6) Teams a Round Robin will be played. The first four (4) teams of the Preliminary Round will advance to compete in the Semifinal Round. (1st Vs. 4th and 2nd Vs. 3rd). The 5th and 6th place teams of the Preliminary Round will play one match between each other to determine their final ranking. 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.

- h) With Five (5) Teams a Round Robin will be played. The first four (4) 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.

9.1.1 **Semifinal Round**

For the Semifinal Round and according to the FIVB General Competition Regulations, it must be avoided that teams from the same group play each other.

- 9.1.2 According to the established competition format and the FIVB General Regulations, for the semifinal round, in case that three teams from the same group qualify, the match between 1st place and 3rd place of their preliminary round will be repeated (A-1 or B-1 Vs A-3 or B-3).

9.2 **Team Distribution:**

For the **V Pan-American Women's Volleyball Cup 2006** teams will be distributed according to their position in the FIVB World Ranking as of January 1st,2006 and their final ranking in the past IV Pan-American Women's Volleyball Cup 2005, using the Serpentine System for their distribution as follow:

Group A

1st Order World Ranking
4th Order World Ranking
5th Order World Ranking
8th Order World Ranking
9th Order World Ranking
12th Order World Ranking

Group B

2nd Order World Ranking
3rd Order World Ranking
6th Order World Ranking
7th Order World Ranking
10th Order World Ranking
11th Order World Ranking

10. **Rights of the Host Country**

- 10.1 The host country has the right to choose the group for their National Team. The remaining teams will be distributed using the Serpentine System in accordance with their position in the FIVB World Ranking, starting with the highest World Ranking team as head of Group A or B. The host country has the right to choose one (1) match in the Competition Schedule of the Preliminary Round.
- 10.2 Once the Preliminary, Quarterfinals, Semifinal and Final Round matches are established, the Puerto Rico 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 Puerto Rico National Volleyball Federation:

- a) **Internal Transportation, lodging, and meals** for Control Committee, Referees and Team Delegations, from the date of arrival to date of departure.
- b) **Medical Services** during the Competition (Medical Insurance is recommended for participating teams).
- c) **Payment of Per Diem** for Control Committee Members, International Referees, Press and Medical Delegate: US\$50.00 per day, from two (2) days before and one (1) day after the competition and US\$75.00 for the VIS Delegate, according to the established by the NORCECA Confederation. The Puerto Rico National Volleyball Federation 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 can be made by agreement with the Puerto Rico National Volleyball Federation.

NOTE 1: The payment of Per Diem to the Control Committee, 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 national officials, technical and support personnel, including the members of the Control Committee of the host country, medical and press delegate, can be made in accordance with the established agreement between the Puerto Rico National Volleyball Federation and the person contracted for the required services.

- d) The Puerto Rico National Volleyball Federation must cover the following financial responsibilities toward NORCECA:
 - § **US\$10,000.00** (Ten Thousand Dollars) to cover the payment of the hosting fee of the Event.
 - § **50%** of 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). 50% of the Registration Fee of participating teams will be paid to the Puerto Rico National Volleyball Federation and the remaining 50% of the Registration Fee corresponds to NORCECA.

§ A **10%** of Marketing and/or sponsorship of Local and International Radio and TV transmissions, as well as for the Marketing rights of Local and International Sponsorships, 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.

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

e) **Air Fare** (economical class) for Control Committee Members and Neutral Referee, up to a maximum of 12 air tickets.

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 Puerto Rico National Volleyball Federation and NORCECA before February 16, 2006.
- b) Payment of Registration Fee US\$1,000.00 (One Thousand Dollars) to NORCECA before March 27, 2006.
- c) Be responsible for all other additional expenses of their delegation that may apply.
- d) Payment of international transportation, as well as airport taxes.

12. Sanctions and Complaints

12.1 Complaints:

- a) Complaints must be presented in writing to the Control Committee. The procedure for complaints should be in accordance to the established in Article 9 of FIVB General Regulations. All complaints must be solved according to the FIVB General Regulations in force.
- b) Technical Complaints (violation of the FIVB Rules of the Game in force) must be solved by the Control Committee during the match in process in accordance with the procedure established in the FIVB/NORCECA Sports Regulations (**Judge Conference**).
- c) All complaints and appeals not related with the technical and/or violations of the FIVB Rules of the Game, must be presented in writing to the President of the Control Committee within 60 minutes after the conclusion of the match in concern, together with a deposit of US \$500.00 in cash. If the complaint and/or appeal is valid the deposit will be reimbursed. The President of the Control Committee must announce the final verdict within 12 hours after the presentation of the protest 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) 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(mandatory) one (1) Referee from one of the following categories:

- FIVB
- FIVB International Referee
- International Referee Candidate
- Continental Referee

13.2 **NORCECA'S President** or his **Representative**, with the advice of NORCECA's Refereeing Commission, 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 **V Pan-American Women's Volleyball Cup 2006** is an Intercontinental Event, approved by FIVB as a Qualification Tournament to the 2007 FIVB World Grand Prix, the Control Committee (Refereeing Sub-Commission and Appeal Sub-Commission) will be composed by representatives of NORCECA and the South American Volleyball Confederations

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

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

13.3.3 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 Puerto Rico National Volleyball Federation 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 venues prior to the event.

15. Security

The Puerto Rico National Volleyball Federation and/or the Organizing Committee must guarantee the security of the participating team delegations, from their arrival until their departure, including hotels, main competition venues, training venues, during official matches as well as for their internal transportation.

16. Accreditation

The host National Federation and/or the Organizing Committee must provide the correspondent accreditation to all participating teams, NORCECA's Officials, Referees, National and International Technical and Support Staff. Accreditations must be designed according to the standards established by NORCECA Confederation and must include the logos of FIVB, NORCECA, Puerto Rico National Volleyball Federation, title of the competition, photo and function of the accreditation holder.

FIVB This accreditation is reserved strictly for FIVB officials.

NORCECA This accreditation is strictly reserved for NORCECA Volleyball 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 Puerto Rico National Volleyball Federation will provide first aid medical services during the competition.

17.1.1 All team delegations shall be responsible for their medical expenses. (It is recommended that all participating teams be provided by their own medical insurance).

18 Awards:

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

- 18.1 1st Place: Gold Medal and Team Trophy (Qualify to the 2007 World Grand Prix)
- 18.2 2nd Place: Silver Medal and Team Trophy (Qualify to the 2007 World Grand Prix)
- 18.3 3rd Place: Bronze Medal and Team Trophy (Qualify to the 2007 World Grand Prix)
- 18.4 4th Place: Recognition Plate (Qualify to the 2007 World Grand Prix)

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 Server
- Best Scorer
- Best Defense
- Best Setter
- Best Libero
- Most Valuable Player (MVP)

- 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 Award and the Best Reception award of the event.
- 18.7 For the MVP award, the players will be chosen from among the first two ranked teams (1st and 2nd place ranked team), taking into consideration their individual performance according to the final results of the statistics of the VIS system. The media must be taken into consideration to choose the most valuable player. Voting ballots will be distributed among all registered journalists, presenting the best three players according to the final results of the statistics of the VIS system. Journalists must vote to elect the most valuable player, MVP from among the three players presented in the voting ballot.

These Competition Regulations have been reviewed by Prof. Nelson J. Ramirez, NORCECA's Executive Director and approved by Mr. Cristóbal Marte Hoffiz, President of NORCECA Volleyball Confederation.

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Cristóbal Marte Hoffiz
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