









III Girls U-18 Pan American Cup

La Habana, Cuba March 15-23, 2015

COMPETITION REGULATIONS

1. Organizer

- 1.1 For the organization of the **III Girls U-18 Pan American Cup**, the Cuban National Volleyball Federation accepts to comply with the terms and conditions established in these Competition Regulations that are the official statutes of the event.
- 1.2 The Cuban National Volleyball Federation, affiliated to the Pan American Volleyball Union (PVU), to the NORCECA Volleyball Confederation and to the Federation Internationale de Volleyball (FIVB) will be responsible for the organization of the III Girls U-18 Pan American Cup, programmed to be held from March 15-23, 2015, in Cuba.

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2. Host City and Competition Venue

2.1 Host City

The III Girls U-18 Pan American Cup will be held in the city of **La Habana**, **Cuba**. The event will be held from **March 15-23, 2015**.

2.2 International Airports of Arrival and Departure

The International Airport for the arrival and departure of participating National Teams in the Girls U-18 Pan American Cup is:

José Martí International Airport (HAV)

2.3 Competition Venues

The main competition venue for participating teams is:

Palacio de los Deportes, Ciudad Deportiva

2.4 Training Venues

The training venues for participating teams are:

- Palacio de los Deportes, Ciudad Deportiva
- Escuela Nacional de Voleibol, Federación Cubana de Voleibol

2.5 Accommodation, Meals and Internal Transportation

Accommodation, meals and internal transportation for Participating Teams, Control Committee and Referees will be covered by the Host Organizing Committee from March 14-23, 2015.

Meal Services

Participating teams, members of the Control Committee, Referees and Officials will receive their meals in the official hotel designated for their accommodation.

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, CSV and PVU 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 Game

The **III Girls U-18 Pan American Cup** 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 and the Pan American Volleyball Union (PVU).

3.4 VISA information

In order to facilitate the participation of qualified National Teams, Control Committee Members and Referees in the **III Girls U-18 Pan American Cup**, the Host Organizing Committee must guarantee, through the corresponding governmental authorities, the entry VISA that will permit the entry into Cuba of the participating team members registered in the FIVB 0-2 Form. Participating National Federations are responsible for the submission of required documents to their respective Embassies and all related costs.

4. Events Schedule:

DATE ACTIVITY

March 14, 2015

Arrival of Control Committee Members.

- **18:00** Inspection visit to the Competition and Training Venues, accommodation facilities, security, working offices, meeting rooms, VIS, Press Conference Room, T.V. transmission and transportation.
- **20:00** Control Committee and Organizing Committee meeting to be held at the Official Hotel.

March 15, 2015

Arrival of Referees, Officials and Participating Teams.

- **10:00** Second Inspection visit to the Competition and Training Venues, accommodation facilities, security, working offices, meeting rooms, VIS, Press Conference Room, T.V. transmission and transportation.
- 15:00 21:00 Training of Participating Teams.
- **20:00** Control Committee meeting in the Official Hotel.

March 16, 2015

- **09:00-16:30** Preliminary Inquiry for participating teams at the Teams Hotel.
- **08:00-17:00** Training of Participating Teams.

- 17:00-20:00 Practical Clinic for Referees, Scorekeepers, Line Judges, VIS and support personnel, to be held at the Competition Hall.
- **20:00** General Technical meeting at the official teams hotel followed by the team medical briefing.

March 17, 2015 Day 1 - Competition

Preliminary Round Matches (refer to the Official Competition Format). Opening Ceremony at 19:00 at palacios de los Deportes, Ciudad Deportiva Competition Venue.

The time schedule and daily order of the matches will be decided in accordance with the host National Federation, taking into consideration the TV transmission schedule.

March 18, 2015 Day 2 - Competition

Preliminary Round Matches (refer to the Official Competition Format).

The time schedule and daily order of the matches will be decided in accordance with the host National Federation, taking into consideration the TV transmission schedule.

March 19, 2015 Day 3 - Competition

Preliminary Round Matches (refer to the Official Competition Format).

The time schedule and daily order of the matches will be decided in accordance with the host National Federation, taking into consideration the TV transmission schedule.

March 20, 2015 Day 4 - Competition

Quarterfinals (refer to the Official Competition Format)

The time schedule and daily order of the matches will be decided in accordance with the host National Federation, taking into consideration the TV transmission schedule.

March 21, 2015 Day 5 - Competition

Semifinal & Qualification Round

(Refer to the Official Competition Format)

The time schedule and daily order of the matches will be decided in accordance with the host National Federation, taking into consideration the TV transmission schedule.

March 22, 2015 Day 6 - Competition Finals

(Refer to the Official Competition Format)

The time schedule and daily order of the matches will be decided in accordance with the host National Federation, taking into consideration the TV transmission schedule, except for the Bronze Medal and Gold Medal Championship matches of the tournament, which must be the last two matches, first the Bronze Medal Match and finally the Gold Medal Match, scheduled to conclude the tournament.

March 23, 2015

Departure of Control Committee members, Referees and participating teams.

5. Participating Teams & Delegation Composition

5.1 A maximum of eight (8) teams are qualified and will be invited to participate in the III Girls U-18 Pan American Cup. They are the top four (4) national teams from NORCECA and CSV qualified to the FIVB Girls Youth World Championship U-18, (first, second or third place teams of each of Norceca and CSV Continental Championships based on the final rankings) and the top four (4) national teams from NORCECA and CSV not qualified to the FIVB Girls Youth World Championship U-18 (fourth, fifth or sixth place teams of each of Norceca and CSV Continental Championships based on the final rankings).

5.2 Qualified National Teams eligible to participate in the FIVB Girls Youth World Championship U-18

Norceca CSV
United States of America Peru
República Dominicana Argentina
México Brasil

5.3 Nonqualified National Teams to the FIVB Girls Youth World Championship U18, but that are eligible to participate in the III Girls U-18 Pan American Cup, to compete among them for the last vacancy to the FIVB Girls Youth World Championship U-18.

Norceca CSV
Puerto Rico Chile
Guatemala Uruguay
Costa Rica Colombia
Trinidad & Tobago Venezuela

Honduras St. Lucia **NOTE 1:** Up to eight National Teams will be accepted to participate in the **III Girls U-18 Pan American Cup**. This National Teams wil, be the first eight National Teams to register and confirm their participation. In case that one of above qualified teams does not confirm their participation 30 days before the initial date of the event, (February 15, 2015) or withdraws their participation after its registration, the next team in the Continental ranking of their Confederation will be eligible to participate.

NOTE 2: If none of the eligible teams is available to participate from the Continental Ranking of their Confederation, then the next highest FIVB World Ranking team of the U-18 Category will be eligible to participate, regardless of their Confederation (NORCECA or the CSV).

5.4 **Team Composition**

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

- Twelve (12) Players
- Four (4) Officials (One Team Manager, One Head Coach and Two Assistant Coaches/Athletic Trainers)
- One (1) Doctor (FIVB accredited)
- One (1) Physiotherapist (FIVB accredited)
- One (1) Sports Journalist or Team Statistician (FIVB, NORCECA or CSV accredited)
- One (1) Referee (FIVB, International FIVB Referee, or Continental Referee) to be approved and designated by NORCECA and the Pan American Volleyball Union President

5.5 Additional Team Personnel

All persons that exceed what is stipulated in Article 5.4 above will be considered as additional personnel and the National Federation (NF) that registers them will have to cover all their expenses, including lodging, meals and internal transportation. The names of these persons should be submitted in advance to the host National Federation and/or NORCECA, and the National Federation concerned must pay the amount of **US\$150.00** (One Hundred and Fifty Dollars) daily per person for their registration based on double occupancy or **US\$200.00** (Two Hundred Dollars) daily per person in single occupancy. The NF that registers additional personnel shall make the corresponding payment before, but not later, than the Preliminary Inquiry of their National Team.

Note; Any Participating National Team arriving or departing before or after the official established dates as indicated in the official Competition regulations, are subject to the payment of the rates indicated in Article 5.5 above without any exception.

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.

For the III Girls U-18 Panamerican Cup, participating players must be born on **January 1, 1998 and after**.

Team Managers must submit, for control and database purposes, color copies of the National Team players' passports (provided on CD or paper color copy) during the Team Preliminary Inquiry.

6.2 The passports of all players must be presented to the Control Committee for verification during the Team Preliminary Inquiry. Players whose original passport (no passport copies will be accepted) is not presented during the Preliminary Inquiry will not be accredited and therefore, will not be eligible to participate in the competition.

7. Registration

7.1 The registration of each National Team will consist of submitting the **FIVB** O-2 Form to **NORCECA** together with the payment of the registration fee of **US\$1,000.00** (One Thousand Dollars) before the established deadline. The O-2 form can contain up to 25 athletes, and no declaration of Captain or Libero(s) is required. No substitutions or changes of athletes are permitted after the submission of the O-2 Form. The final list of 12 participating athletes on the O-2bis Form must be constituted from among the 25 players listed in the O-2 Form, and is to be presented during the team's preliminary inquiry.

The O-2 Form submission must be completed online (www.fivb.org/vis/login.aspx) for the implementation of the FIVB Live Score system (O-2 VIS). A printed copy of the completed form must be sent to the NORCECA Sport Events Department prior to the established deadline for each event. If you require assistance, please visit the webpage above or contact the FIVB VIS Webmaster.

Additionally, an **Anti-Doping control test fee of USD\$500.00** (Five Hundred Dollars), per participating team must be paid to cover the Doping Control test to be performed during the competition.

- 7.1.1 The payment of registration and doping test fees must be made in US Dollars to **NORCECA** through one of the following options:
 - through an international bank transfer
 - through a bank administration check sent by DHL, FED EX, etc.
 - paid in cash at the Preliminary Inquiry
- 7.1.2 For the payment of fees through an international bank transfer, the transfer payment should be made to the following bank account and must be received by NORCECA at least 2 weeks prior to the start of the event:

Name of Bank: CITIBANK
Account No: 36265289
Swift Code: CITIUS33

Bank Address: New York, N.Y., 10013

United States of America

Beneficiary Bank: Banco BDI SA

Address of Bank: Av. Sarasota #27, La Julia

Santo Domingo, Republica Dominicana

For further credit to: Confederación NORCECA de Voleibol

Account No.: 4010048081

Address: Av. Máximo Gómez, Esq. 27 de Febrero

Pabellón de Voleibol, 3ra Planta Centro Olímpico Juan Pablo Duarte Santo Domingo, República Dominicana

7.1.3 The payment of the fees through a check (bank administration check), must be remitted to NORCECA at least 2 weeks prior to the start of the event, together with the original of the FIVB 0-2 Form, by certified express mail and/or DHL, FED EX, etc., to the following address:

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7.1.3 Payment of fees can be made in cash (**US Dollars only**) to the Control Committee President during the Preliminary Inquiry prior to the start of the event.

7.1.4 A copy of the FIVB 0-2 Form, one (1) team photo and individual photos (size 2x2) of all members of each participating team delegation (players, officials, doctors, journalists and referees) must be remitted by email to the NORCECA Sport Events Department (norcecaseassistant@gmail.com) prior to the established deadline.

7.2 Player Final Registration (FIVB O-2 bis Form)

During the Preliminary Inquiry, the Team Manager must submit, to the Control Committee, the **FIVB** O-2 bis Form with a maximum of 12 players (comprised only of the players registered in the O-2 form). In the 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.

8. Official Rules, Ball & Uniforms

8.1 The **III Girls U-18 Pan American Cup** will be played under the current **FIVB Rules** of the Game 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 competition game ball will be the **Molten V5M-5000**. The Pan American Volleyball Union/NORCECA will provide to the host National Federation a total of thirty (30) Molten V5M-5000 volleyballs.

8.3 Uniforms

Player's uniforms should be **FIVB Homologated** and in accordance with **FIVB Official Uniform Regulations**. Each team should have available a minimum of three (3) sets of playing uniforms of different colors, one of which should be based white in color. 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. Teams uniform accessories and injury prevention devices, (compression pads, knee pads, elbow pads, etc.) must be of the same color design as the uniform jersey. Neutral colors, black and white, are also accepted. Teams players wearing injury prevention devices must be all uniformed (same color /design) and

must be presented at the team preliminary inquiry for inspection and approval.

8.4 **Publicity on Uniforms**

Publicity on player's uniforms must be authorized by **NORCECA/PVU** previous to completion of the publicity uniform form and upon payment of the established fee of **US\$2,000.00** (Two Thousand Dollars). This form is available for download through the **NORCECA Confederation** website, www.norceca.net. Publicity on players' uniforms must be in accordance with the FIVB Advertising and Sport Material Regulations, Team Equipment, and Advertising Guidelines. Teams presenting uniforms that are not in compliance with the FIVB regulations will not be able to use those uniforms during the event, therefore, new uniforms that comply with the FIVB Uniform Regulations and FIVB Sport Material, Team Equipment and Advertising Guidelines must be presented to the Control Committee of the event for approval.

8.5 Dress Code for Officials on the Bench

All Officials on the bench (maximum of five officials on the bench to be decided by the team delegate or manager) must be uniformed according to the dress code of the current FIVB Sport Regulations. Those Officials that do not comply with the dress code established will not be allowed to sit on the bench. Each participating team is entitled to determine the officials to be on the bench, but must declare and register then for the entire competition during the Preliminary Inquiry.

9. Competition Format and Team Distribution

- 9.1 The **III Girls U-18 Pan American Cup** will be played under one of the following competition formats:
 - a) With eight (8) teams, two groups of four (4) teams will be formed.
 - b) With seven (7) teams, two (2) groups will be formed; one of four (4) teams and one (1) of three (3) teams.
 - c) With six (6) teams, one group of six (6) will be formed. All teams advance to one final placement match (1st vs. 2nd and 3rd vs. 4th and 5th vs. 6th)
 - d) 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 will play a match to determine the Champion and Vice-Champion. The losers of the Semifinal Round will play one match to determine the 3rd and 4th place.

e) With four (4) teams, a Round Robin will be played. All teams will advance to compete in the Semifinal Round. (1st vs. 4th and 2nd vs. 3rd). Winners of the Semifinal Round will play a match to determine the Champion and Vice-Champion. The losers of the Semifinal Round will play one match to determine the 3rd and 4th place.

NOTE: The official competition format of the event will determine the distribution of teams in the Preliminary Rounds, Classification Rounds, Quarterfinal Round, Semifinal Round and Final Round. No changes to the official competition format of the event will be permitted after it has been determined and approved by the Pan American Volleyball Union.

9.2 Classification, Quarterfinal and Semifinal Rounds

For the Classification, Quarterfinal, and Semifinal Rounds, according to the **FIVB General Competition Regulations**, it must be avoided that teams from the same group play each other as established in the competition format.

9.3 According to the established competition format and the FIVB General Regulations, for the Classification, Quarterfinal, and Semifinal Rounds, if three teams from the same group qualify, the match between the highest ranked team and the lowest ranked team of their Preliminary Round will be repeated.

9.4 Round Robin Ranking

To establish the ranking of teams after Preliminary Round, the ranking of the teams will be determined as follows:

- 1. By the results of matches won and lost.
- In case of equality in the number of matches won and lost, among two
 or more teams of the same group, the final ranking of the teams will be
 determined by the number of points gained among teams of the same
 group during the Preliminary Round.
- 3. The following points will be awarded to each team per match, according to the number of sets won/lost:

Match won 3-0 = 5 points Match lost 0-3 = 0 point Match won 3-1 = 4 points Match lost 1-3 = 1 points Match won 3-2 = 3 points Match lost 2-3 = 2 points

Match forfeited = 0 points (25-0, 25-0, 25-0)

9.5 **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 points ratio with the following criteria, in order of importance:

- A) 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.
- B) **Set Quotient:** If the tie persists as per the points 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.
- C) 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.
- D) 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.

9.6 **Team Distribution**

For the **III Girls U-18 Pan American Cup,** teams will be distributed according to their rankings based on the FIVB Youth U-18 World Ranking as of January 1st2015, using, if necessary, the Serpentine system for their distribution.

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. Teams will be distributed into two groups, **Group A**; to include only the qualified national teams to the FIVB World Championship Girls Youth U-18 and **Group B**; to only include the nonqualified National Teams to the FIVB World Championship Girls Youth U-18. In case that less than four or none of the qualified National Teams to the FIVB World Championship Girls Youth U-18, register or withdraws their participation, the following National Team in the FIVB Youth U-18 World Ranking, will be position in Group A. In case that less than four or none of the unqualified National Teams to the FIVB World Championship Girls Youth U-18, register or withdraws their participation, the following National Team in the FIVB Youth U-18 World Ranking, will be position in Group B.
- 10.2 Once the Preliminary, Classification, Quarterfinals, Semifinal and Final Rounds matches are established, the host National Federation will propose to the Control Committee the time and order of all matches to be played. All matches are established in the Official Competition Schedule/Format of the event.

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 host National Federation:
 - a) Internal Transportation, lodging, and meals for Control Committee, Referees and Team Delegations, from the date of arrival to date of departure.
 - b) **First Aid Medical Service** must be provided during the Competition. (Participating National Teams must be provided with an International Medical Insurance in order to cover the payment of medical services that may be required by the members of their delegation).
 - c) Payment of Per Diem to Control Committee Members, Technical, Support Staff and Referees, according to what has been established by NORCECA and the PVU, as follows:
 - US\$100.00 (One Hundred Dollars) per day, two days before and one day after the competition for the Members of Control Committee, Medical Delegate, Venue Operation Manager, Members of the Appeal and Referee Sub-Commissions and the official Photographer, according to the established Regulations.
 - US\$150.00 (One Hundred and Fifty Dollars) per day, two days before and one day after the competition for the Control Committee President, Competition Director, Press Delegate, and VIS Delegate.
 - **US\$100.00** (One Hundred Dollars) per day, two days before and one day after the competition to be paid to the FIVB Referees, International Referees or Continental Referees per participating team. Maximum participating Referees is ten (10) which includes the participating team Referees, neutral and reserved local Referees.
 - NOTE 1: The payment of Per Diem for the Members of the Control Committee, Competition Director, Press Delegate, Medical Delegate, VIS Director, Technical, Support Staff and participating Referees must be covered before the conclusion of the Preliminary Round of the competition.

- 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 local Press Delegate, is to be made in accordance with the established agreement between the host National Volleyball Federation or Local Organizing Committee with the person contracted for the required services.
- NOTE 3: For the payment of the Per Diem for the FIVB Referees, International Referees, or Continental Referees the Organizing Committee is responsible to cover 50% and the remaining 50% is to be covered by the Referee's participating National Federation of origin and/or the National Federation that the Referee represents, according to the decision of NORCECA and the PVU. All participating NFs must pay the Referees' Per Diem in cash (US Dollars) to the President, Control Committee during the Team Preliminary Inquiry.
- d) The host National Federation must cover the following financial responsibilities toward the **NORCECA Volleyball Confederation**:
 - USD\$10,000.00 (Ten Thousand Dollars) to cover the payment of the hosting fee of the event.

Sponsorship and Marketing

- A fee of USD\$750.00 (Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars) is to be paid to NORCECA by the host organizing National Federation for each incidence of commercial advertising or promotion in or outside the main competition venue or through the TV Transmission of the event, establishing a maximum fee of USD\$7,500.00. When the maximum fee is paid, the host organizer has unlimited rights for the marketing and/or sponsorship rights of all local and TV local broadcasting of the event.
 - **Note 1:** Government, State, City and/or Provincial financial support and/or contribution will not be considered as sponsorship, commercialization and/or marketing.
 - **Note 2**: **NORCECA** and the **PVU** reserve the right to allocate the following official **NORCECA** and the **PVU**'s sponsors' banners in the court: **PVU**, **NORCECA**, **FIVB**, **CSV**, **MOLTEN** and **SPORT COURT**.

Note 3: NORCECA and the **PVU** reserves the rights of the international sponsorship, as well as, the international marketing, radio transmission, TV Broadcasting, internet and other international marketing, sponsorship and publicity means.

- e) **REGISTRATION FEE:** For this event, the registration fee for participating teams will be US\$1,000.00 (One Thousand Dollars). 75% of the registration fee of participating teams will be paid to the host National Federation, USD\$750.00 and the remaining 25% of the registration fee corresponds to **NORCECA**, USD\$250.00.
- f) Air Fare: The host Organizing Committee will be responsible to cover the payment of the air fare (economical class) for Control Committee Members and one (1) Neutral Referee(s), up to a maximum of ten (10) air tickets.
- g) Event Tickets: the Host National Federation and/or Organizing Committee must provide to the Pan American Volleyball Union fifteen (15) VIP tickets & thirty-five (35) General Admission tickets per match and/or per day of competition, in case that the event tickets are valid for each day of competition.
- 11.2 The following are the responsibilities for participating National Federations:
 - a) To remit a letter confirming the participation of their National Team to NORCECA and the host National Federation before the established deadline.
 - b) Payment of Entry Fee of US\$1,000.00 (One Thousand Dollars) in addition to the Anti-Doping control test fee of US\$500.00 (Five Hundred Dollars) before the established deadline.
 - c) Payment of **50% of the Per Diem** of the FIVB, FIVB International or Continental Referee representing their National Federation.
 - d) Remit together with a copy of the **FIVB** 0-2 Form, one (1) team photo and individual photos (size 2x2) of all members of each participating team delegation (players, officials, doctors, journalists and referees) by email before the established deadline.
 - e) Be responsible for all other additional expenses of their delegation that may apply.
 - f) Payment of international transportation, as well as visa fees, and airport taxes.
 - g) To present the following documents during the Preliminary Inquiry:
 - **-FIVB** O-2 VIS Form (hard copy and the online VIS copy)
 - -FIVB O-2 bis Form

- -FIVB M-3 form
- -NORCECA L-1 Form
- **-FIVB** M-8 (if necessary)
- **-NORCECA** Publicity Form and publicity payment receipt (if necessary)
- -Passports of all players
- -Color copy of all players' passports (provided on a CD)
- -Country Flag (4 feet x 6 feet)
- -Country National Anthem
- -Captain & Libero Uniforms
- -Injury prevention devices for approval (Compression pads, undershorts and arms calf's, socks)

12. Complaints and Sanctions

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 the FIVB Sports Regulations. Complaints will be resolved according to the FIVB General, Sports and Rules of the Games in force.
- b) Complaints related to a technical issue (violation of the FIVB Rules of the Game) must be resolved by the acting Control Committee of the match where the violation of the Rules of the Game has been verified. The procedure must be in accordance with the FIVB Sports Regulation (Judges Conference). Violation of the Rules of the Game must be claimed by the affected team, during the development of the match in course and must be resolved during the match by the Control Committee.
- c) All complaints and appeals not related to a technical issue and/or violation of the Rules of the Game must be presented in writing to the Control Committee President within 60 minutes after the conclusion of the match. Complaints and appeals must be presented with a deposit of US\$500.00 (Five Hundred Dollars) cash; if the complaint and/or appeal proceeds, 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 and the O-2 VIS online registration by the deadline established will apply a sanction of **US\$1000.00** (One Thousand Dollars).
- b) Negligence to provide the Registration Fee by the deadline established will apply a sanction of **US\$1000.00** (One Thousand Dollars).
- c) The non-fulfillment of Article 8.3 of these Regulations, corresponding to the uniforms of Participating Teams, in accordance with the FIVB Official Uniform Regulations, will apply a sanction of US\$3,000.00 (Three Thousand Dollars) or USD\$1,000.00 for each set of uniform not presented in accordance with the FIVB Official Uniform Regulations in force.
- d) All sanctions established by the FIVB Constitution, Code of Conduct, Administrative, Financial, Sport, General Regulations and Complementary Statutes would be applicable.
 - e) The non-fulfillment of Article 11.2, a), b), c), d), and g) of these Regulations, will apply a sanction of **US\$500.00** (Five Hundred Dollars).

13. Referees

- 13.1 It is mandatory that each participating National Federation assign one (1) Referee from one of the following categories:
 - a) FIVB International Referee
 - b) International Referee Candidate
 - c) FIVB Continental Referee
- 13.2 The **PVU President** or his **Representative**, with the advice of the Norceca or PVU Refereeing Commission, will evaluate (for approval) the nomination of the Referees presented by each participating National Federation.

13.3 Other Officials

13.3.1 According to the FIVB General Regulations and considering that the III Girls U-18 Pan American Cup is an Inter-Continental Event approved by the FIVB, the Control Committee (Refereeing Sub-Commission and Appeal Sub-Commission) will be designated by the NORCECA and PVU President or his Representative and must be

composed by members of the National Federations affiliated to the NORCECA, CSV and PVU, whose representatives are members of the NORCECA and CSV Executive Committees, Boards of Administration, Sport Organizing, Technical, Refereeing, VIS, Press and Medical Commissions of their respective Confederations.

- 13.3.2 Line Judges, Scorekeepers, Statisticians, VIS, Ball Retrievers, Sweepers, Scoreboard Operators, Announcers and other supporting personnel shall be presented by the representative of the host National Volleyball Federation to the Control Committee President and/or his/her Representative for approval.
- 13.3.3 The host National 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, supervising the officials and support personnel, being responsible for their performance.

14. Training Facilities

- 14.1 The Host Organizing Committee must 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. The minimum recovery time between competition matches and training sessions of participating teams is five (5) hours.
- 14.2 Each team will have a minimum of one training session of 1.5 hours in the official competition venue playing court prior to the event.

15. Security

The host National Federation and /or the Organizing Committee must guarantee the security of all participating team delegations, from their arrival until their departure, including in the hotel, main competition venues, training venues, during official matches as well as on internal transportation.

16. Accreditation

The host National Federation must provide the corresponding accreditation to all participating teams, FIVB, PVU, NORCECA and CSV Officials as well as Referees, National and International Technical and Support Staff. Accreditations must be designed according to the standards established by the Pan American Volleyball Union and must include the logos of FIVB, NORCECA, CSV and PVU, the host

National Federation, title of the competition, unique identification number, individual photo and function of the accreditation holder.

FIVB	This accreditation is reserved strictly for FIVB officials.
NORCECA, CSV, PVU	This accreditation is reserved strictly for NORCECA, CSV and Pan American Volleyball Union officials.
СС	This accreditation is reserved for Control Committee members assigned to the competition.
NF	This accreditation is reserved for the members of the Executive & Board of Administration of the Host National Federation.
ос	This accreditation is reserved for the members of the Organizing Committee of the host 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 Diplomats of the host country of the event.
VIP	This accreditation is reserved for special guests.
ТР	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, and Scoreboard Operators)
SP	This accreditation is reserved for the support personnel assigned to specific areas for the organization of the event. (Ball Retrievers, Sweepers, Flag Holders, Announcers, and venue staff).
P	This accreditation is strictly reserved for accredited Journalists, Press, Host Broadcasters, International Press Agencies and Local Press Agencies.
A	This accreditation is strictly reserved for participating players. (Athletes Only). Players' accreditation must include the competition number of the player as well as the number of the accreditation and the anti-doping test control code for the Anti-doping protocol process according to the WADA/FIVB Protocol Regulations.

This accreditation is strictly reserved for the staff of participating teams. (Team Staff: Team Manager, Head Coach, Assistant Coaches, Registered FIVB Team Doctor, Physiotherapist and Team Statisticians).

S This accreditation is strictly reserved for security personnel only.

R This accreditation is exclusively reserved for participating Referees.

MD This accreditation corresponds to the medical personnel assigned to the event.

17. Medical Services

- 17.1 The host Organizing Committee will provide first aid medical services during the competition. Further, the host will also provide access to clinic/hospital facilities for the physical assessments of the Referees.
- 17.2 All team delegations shall be responsible for their own medical expenses. It is recommended that all participating teams be provide their own international medical insurance.

18. Awards:

The first three (3) ranked teams will be awarded as follows:

1st Place: Gold Medals and Trophy
 2nd Place: Silver Medals and Trophy
 3rd Place: Bronze Medals and Trophy

Note; The top ranked National Team among the nonqualified teams, after their preliminary round, will qualify to the FIVB Girls Youth World Championship U-18, to be held in Lima, Peru on August 7-16, 2015.

18.1 Individual Awards

The Control Committee will present individual awards to the following players based solely on the final results of the Volleyball Information System (VIS). The awards to be presented are:

Two Best Spiker

Two Best Blocker

Best Setter

Best Receiver

Best Server

Best Scorer

Most Valuable Player (MVP)

Best Digger

Best Setter

Best Libero

Best Scorer

Best Opposite

18.1 Best Outside Hitters (OH);

The best two outside hitters will be awarded from among the Position 4 (P4) players, previously declared as outside hitters, based solely on the final results of the Volleyball Information System (VIS).

18.2 Best Blockers (MB)

The best two blockers will be awarded from among the previously declared middle blocker players, based solely on the final results of the Volleyball Information System (VIS).

18.3 Best Defense, Service, Reception and Scorer

The players with the best defense, best service, best reception and best scorer(the player who registers more points in attack, serve and block during the competition), based solely on the final results of the Volleyball Information System (VIS), will be awarded the best in each individual performance no matter the position the players occupy in the court or the position at which the player was previously declared during her Team Preliminary Inquiry.

18.4 Libero Player

The Libero players will compete among each other for the best Libero award of the event. Additionally the Libero players will be eligible for the Best Digger and Best Receiver awards of the event. If a Libero player obtains two of the three above indicated awards according to the final results of the Volleyball Information System (VIS) and her team is the Champion Gold Medal Team of the event, she is eligible for the Most Valuable Player Award (MVP) of the event.

18.5 Opposite Player (OP)

The best opposite player will be selected from among the previously declared opposite players. If the best opposite player results to be the Most Valuable Player (MVP), resulting her team as the Champion Gold Medal of the event, the next best opposite player will receive the Best Opposite Award, regardless of the team that she belongs to, based solely on the final results of the Volleyball Information System (VIS).

18.6 Setter Players

The Setter players will compete among each other for the Best Setter Award of the event. Additionally, the Setter players will be eligible for Most Valuable Player Award (MVP) of the event, if she obtains the Best Setter Award of the event, her team is the Champion Gold Medal Team of the event and registers a minimum average of 5.0 per set, according to the final results of the Volleyball Information System (VIS).

18.7 Most Valuable Player (MVP)

The Most Valuable Player Award (MVP) will be awarded to the player that from among the Champion Gold Medal Team of the event registers 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). In addition, the Setter players will be eligible for Most Valuable Player Award (MVP) of the event as outlined in Article 18.6 above.

18.8 The Control Committee members will be responsible to evaluate and select the Most Valuable Player of the event, based solely on her individual performance according to the statistics of the final results of the Volleyball Information System (VIS).

These Competition Regulations have been prepared by Ms. Riquel Matos, NORCECA Sport Event Coordinator, and approved by Mr. Cristóbal Marte Hoffiz, President of NORCECA and the Pan American Volleyball Union.

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