

## **WATER POLO**

### **1. GENERAL TERMS**

1.1. The Water Polo events will be organised in accordance with the most recent technical regulations of the Fédération Internationale de Natation (FINA). In case of disagreement in the interpretation of these rules, the English text will be regarded as authoritative.

1.2. The programme and duration of the competition are fixed by the FISU Executive Committee in agreement with the Organising Committee and the FISU Games ITC. In principle, the programme will last thirteen days and include:

Men	Women
16 teams' tournament	12 teams' tournament

The games will be held indoor

1.3. For each tournament, each country/region selected is authorised to enter 1 team of 11 players and a maximum of 2 goalkeepers.

1.4. At the first General Technical Meeting, the Head of Delegation or his representative shall confirm and sign the official list of athletes.

Any entry not duly confirmed at the first General Technical Meeting, will not be taken into consideration except for force majeure.

1.5. The OC shall provide good quality video recordings of the games on USB or equivalent medium to FISU World University Games participants:

- a. Free of charge for video recordings of own games;
- b. Against a fee (as agreed between FISU and the OC) for video recordings of opponents.

1.6. Competition uniforms must be in accordance with the FISU Water Polo Competition Uniforms Guidelines

### **2. PRE-COMPETITION PROCEDURE**

2.1. Deposit (see Article 5.3.5 General Regulations)

In order to be entitled to enter the team selection process and in addition to the aforementioned, delegations shall also pay to FISU the team sport deposit of EUR 5,000 per registered team.

2.2. Selection

For the selection of team sports, where the number of entries is larger than the authorised participation number, the following criteria will be applied:

- a. the entry/nomination and the payment of the team deposit according to the original deadlines;
- b. the entry/nomination and the payment of the team deposit according to the new deadlines set up after the postponement of the FISU Games
- c. if willing to enter the tournament, the team of the host country/region is automatically qualified as part of the first two quarters;
- d. if willing to enter the tournament, the team of the next host country/region is automatically qualified as part of the first two quarters;
- e. the rest of the first two quarters of the concerned event shall be automatically filled by those teams who finished with the highest ranking in the most recent FISU event (FISU World University Games, or FISU World University Championship), if applying and fulfilling the conditions stated in point a). Should a team not be willing to take part in the next event, the spot shall be attributed according to the FISU ranking;
- f. The third quarter shall be filled by teams selected in accordance with the FISU Ranking;
- g. The last quarter shall be filled in accordance with the continental representation, with priority given to unranked teams, if any.

FISU will announce the selection of participating teams no later than **five** months prior to the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games.

### 2.3. Seeding

The FISU Ranking is defined in accordance with the FISU World University Games Summer International Technical Committee and takes into consideration the succeeding criteria:

- a. the most recent two FISU events of the sport concerned, as recorded until four years prior to the upcoming event;
- b. if a) is not applicable, then the latest IF ranking (or equivalent) senior level and corresponding age group where appropriate, at the team sport entry deadline of the FISU event;
- c. if b) is not applicable, it is at the discretion of the FISU Games ITC to seed the remaining teams according to the most recent performance.

### 2.4. Advanced Payment

Two months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games, countries/regions entering Water Polo must confirm their participation with an advanced payment of 50% of the participation fees per entered athlete and official.

The advanced payment shall be directly collected by the Organising Committee.

## 2.5. Arrivals

Selected teams have to confirm their arrival and departure to the Organising Committee and FISU no later than one month before the start of the tournament. Any country/region failing to fulfil this obligation may be considered as withdrawn and a team from the reserve list could be invited for substitution.

Selected teams must arrive in the FISU Games Village at least 48 hours before their first competition.

Their late arrival and non-compliance with the FISU Regulations will be referred to the FISU Disciplinary Committee for further action.

Teams arriving late will have no guarantee to receive their accreditation on time and may be liable for disqualification from the competition.

## 3. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

### 3.1. Nomination

All international technical officials will be nominated and selected by the FISU Technical Committee Chair and FINA.

Delegations participating in the event may propose:

- men's tournament: 2 FINA Listed international referee (1 nominated and 1 substitute)
- women's tournament: 2 FINA Listed international referee (1 nominated and 1 substitute)

These countries/regions must communicate to the Organising Committee four months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games, the name of the referee per team. If the names are not received within this deadline, FISU shall have the right to arrange for substitute officials.

In addition, FINA will nominate 2 neutral referees.

### 3.2. Number of Technical Officials

There shall be 30 ITOs

- 12 FINA Referees for the Women's Tournament
- 16 FINA Referees for the Men's Tournament

- 2 neutral FINA Referees

The number of NTOs shall be agreed between the OC and the FISU TCC.

3.3. Arrival and departure days

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, all international technical officials are to arrive one day prior to their first official meeting as agreed between FISU and the OC and depart one day after the end of competition.

3.4. Accommodation

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, ITOs are to be accommodated in single rooms.

3.5. Financial obligations

Participating teams must pay an ITO contribution fee to the Organising Committee in order to cover the cost (travel expenses, accommodation, full board and the per-diem according to the FISU-FINA partnership agreement) of the international referees from FINA according to the pro-rata of teams registered.

The fixed ITO contribution fees per athlete/team participating in the concerned sport are indicated in the Technical Regulations Article 4.4.2.

The cost (travel expenses, accommodation, full board and the per-diem according to the FISU-FINA partnership agreement) of neutral referees is to be borne by FINA.