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TECHNICAL INFORMATION

1. International Federation

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3. Management of the competition

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Competition manager: TBC

3.1 Management of the venue

Venue manager: Mrs. Mercè Mulet

4. Events and dates

4.1 Sport programme

The competition of Water polo at the XVIII Mediterranean Games Tarragona 2018 will include the following events:

WATER POLO	
Men	Women
Team tournament	Team tournament

4.2 Dates and venues

The competition of Water polo will be held at the Campclar Aquatic Centre, within the Mediterranean Ring, in Tarragona, **from Wednesday 27 June to Sunday 1 July 2018.**

5. Conditions for the development of the competition

The competition of Water polo will take place if a minimum of eight (8) countries for the Men’s tournament and of six (6) countries for the Women’s tournament are entered **by 23:59 (Spanish time) on 22 March 2018.**

According to the number of entries, the President of the ICMG Technical Commission, together with one (1) or two (2) members of said commission, appointed by the ICMG President, and in the presence of the OGMG Tarragona 2018 Sports Director, will decide, **on 9 May 2018**, on the list of cancelled events.

Once an event will have been confirmed, it will be held and the corresponding medals and diplomas distributed, regardless of the number of participants.

5.1 Cancellation of events

The OCMG Tarragona 2018 will inform immediately all the National Olympic Committees (NOCs) of the list of those cancelled events that have not reached the minimum quota of participants.

6. Rules of the competition

The Water polo competition will be held according to FINA rules in force **on 1 January 2018**, unless the ICMG exceptionally authorises otherwise.

All other issues not covered in this Technical Manual will be solved as follows:

- For general issues, ICMG regulations will apply.
- For technical issues, FINA regulations will apply.

7. Technical organisation

RFEN, under the supervision of FINA Technical Delegate, is responsible for the technical organisation and for the development of the Water polo competition during the XVIII Mediterranean Games Tarragona 2018.

7.1 Special procedures for the development of the competition

Any issue that may arise prior or during the events will be resolved by the competition management, as per ICMG and FINA rules, **in force on 1 January 2018**, unless the ICMG exceptionally authorises otherwise.

The exact measures to be taken regarding the organisation of the Water polo competition will depend on the final number of participants.

7.2 Draw and pool composition

Depending on the number of countries entered for the competition **by 22 March 2018, 23:59 (Spanish time)** the competition management will determine the competition system.

The draw for the pool phase will take place in accordance with the ICMG and FINA regulations no later than **9 May 2018**.

The Draw Committee will be composed of the following members:

- President of the ICMG Technical Commission or his representative;
- FINA Technical Delegate;
- RFEN President or his representative;

- OCMG Tarragona 2018 Sports Director. ☒

In order to obtain homogenous pools as far as possible, the Draw Committee will take into account the playing level and abilities of the participating teams, notably in terms of the results of the last Mediterranean Games and the Technical Commission’s seeding information.

Representatives of the participating countries, media and public may attend the draw.

7.3 Pools

Tournament organized with six (6) teams

The teams will be grouped together in a single pool. The first best two (2) teams will play final and the teams ranked 3rd and 4th during the first phase would dispute the match for the 3rd and 4th ranks.

Tournament organized with the participation of between seven (7) and ten (10) teams.

The teams will be split into two (2) pools, A and B.

Each team will play all the other teams in succession to determine the ranking.

Nº of teams	Group A	Group B
7	3	4
8	4	4
9	4	5
10	5	5

Semi-finals

The two (2) best ranked teams in each pool will play the final as follows:

1 st semi-final	2 nd semi-final
1 st A-2 nd B	1 st B-2 nd A

Finals

The finals will be contested by:

- the winners of the two semi-finals for the 1st and 2nd places,
- the losers of the two semi-finals for the 3rd and 4th places.☐

Tournament organized with eleven (11) teams ☐

The teams will be organised into three (3) pools, A, B and C. Group A with three (3) teams, groups B and C with four (4) teams each.

Each team will play all the other teams in the same pool to determine the final pool ranking.

The two (2) best teams in group A and the three (3) best ranked teams in groups B and C will go to the next phase.

Each pool will play the all the other teams once.

Teams not qualified for the next phase will play for ranks 9th to 11th.

Quarterfinals

The two (2) best teams from each pool and the team ranked third in pools B and C will meet as follows:

1 st match	2 nd match	3 rd match	4 th match
1 st A-2 nd B	2 nd A-2 nd C	1 st B-3 rd C	1 st C-3 rd B

Semi-finals

Semi-finals will be played by the winners of the quarterfinals, as follows:

Winner 1 st match – Winner 4 th match	Winner 2 nd match – Winner 3 rd match
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Losers of the quarterfinals will play for ranks 5th to 8th.

Finals

The finals will be contested by:

- the winners of the two semi-finals for the 1st and 2nd places,
- the losers of the two semi-finals for the 3rd and 4th places.☐

Tournament organized with the participation of between twelve (12) and sixteen (16) teams.

The teams will be organised into four (4) pools, A, B, C and D, depending on the number of participating teams (12 to 16).

Number of teams	Group A	Group B	Group C	Group D
12	3	3	3	3
13	3	3	3	4
14	3	3	4	4
15	3	4	4	4
16	4	4	4	4

Each team will play all the other teams once in the same pool to determine the final pool ranking.

According to the number of teams not qualified for the next phase a consolation tournament will be played to establish the ranking from the 8th rank.

Quarterfinals

The 1st team from each pool will meet as follows:

1 st match	2 nd match	3 rd match	4 th match
1 st A-2 nd B	2 nd A-2 nd A	1 st C-2 nd D	1 st D-2 nd C

Semi-finals

Semi-finals will be played by the winners of the quarterfinals, as follows:

Winner 1 st match – Winner 4 th match	Winner 2 nd match – Winner 3 rd match
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Losers of the quarterfinals will play for ranks 5th to 8th.

Finals

The finals will be contested by:

- the winners of the two semi-finals for the 1st and 2nd places,
- the losers of the two semi-finals for the 3rd and 4th places.☐

Tournament organized with more than sixteen (16) teams

The OCMG Tarragona 2018, together with FINA Technical Delegate will decide on the competition system, **before 9 May 2018**, according to the final number of teams entered in the Water polo competition.

7.4 Ranking system

Points will be allocated in accordance with the FINA regulations:

- Match won: 2 points
- Match drawn: 1 point
- Match lost: 0 points ☐

In the event of a tie between one or several teams in the same pool, FINA regulations will be applied to determine the higher placed team.

8. Competition venue

The Water polo competition at the XVIII Mediterranean Games Tarragona 2018 will be held at the Campclar Aquatic Centre, within the Mediterranean Ring, in Tarragona, 10.2 Km from the Mediterranean Village. The venue can host 2.000 spectators.

Competition venue	Distance to Village	Capacity	Municipality
Campclar Aquatic Centre	10.2 Km	2.000	Tarragona

8.1 Competition area

The Water polo competition pool at the Campclar Aquatic Centre will measure 50m x 25m. The competition will be contested within a field of play of 30m x 20m and over 2m deep for the men’s tournament and in a field of play of 25m x 20m and over 2m deep, for the women’s tournament.

The measures are homologated by FINA.

8.2 Warm-up area

Next to the competition area, swimmers will have at their disposal for warm-ups a 25m Water polo pool with eight (8) lanes, where half a Water polo field will be equipped with a goal.

8.3 Changing rooms

Athletes will have separate changing rooms for men and women, equipped with showers, toilets and massage tables.

8.4 Athletes' lounge

Athletes will have at their disposal a lounge with water, energising drinks and fruits.

8.5 Tribune and press room.

Accredited media will have a press tribune at their disposal. And a press room, shared with all the venues within the Mediterranean Ring.

8.6 Sport equipment

The official competition ball will be determined and approved by FINA.

For pre-match warm-ups, the organising team will provide each team with six (6) balls of the same brand and model as the official competition ball.

The competition equipment will include a referees' podium, another podium for the competition secretaries (scorers, timekeepers, etc.), benches for the players, goals and lane separation lines to mark out the playing area.

All sport and technical equipment used during Water polo competitions and trainings will comply with FINA rules **in force on 1 January 2018**, unless the ICMG exceptionally authorises otherwise.

9. Training sessions

9.1 Training venues

Training sessions for Water polo at the XVIII Mediterranean Games Tarragona 2018 will be held at the following venue:

Training venue	Distance to Village	Municipality	Observations
Campclar Aquatic Centre	10.2 Km	Tarragona	Competition venue According to schedule

9.1.1 Calendar and schedules for training sessions

The following venues will be available for participants, according to the following schedules:

Date	Venues	Schedule
26/06/2018	Campclar Aquatic Centre	9.00-13.00/ 16.00-20.00
27/06/2018	Campclar Aquatic Centre	7.00-10.00
28/06/2018	Campclar Aquatic Centre	7.00-10.00
29/06/2018	Campclar Aquatic Centre	7.00-10.00
30/06/2018	Campclar Aquatic Centre	7.00-8.30

All participating teams will have, at least, one (1) training in the competition swimming-pool.

The swimming pool for trainings will be made available for teams for a one (1) hour duration, on a shared use basis.

9.2 Services available at training venues

9.2.1 Changing rooms

Athletes will have separate changing rooms for men and women, equipped with showers, toilets and massage tables.

9.2.2 Athletes' lounge

At the training venues, athletes will have at their disposal a lounge with water, energising drinks and fruits.

9.3 Media during training sessions

Training sessions will be opened to the media, but not to the public. The competition manager will be authorised to change this rule when and if he deems it necessary.

9.4 Procedure for the scheduling of training sessions

NOCs will receive the planning of training sessions during the first half of June. They will have to confirm that they will make use of their allocated sessions during the DRM.

9.4.1 Before the competition

As a general rule, the Competition Management will put the relevant venues at the athletes' disposal, for one daily session, two (2) days before the beginning of the competition, that is to say, **on 25 June 2018**.

If they have requested it during the DRM and following the procedure, delegations will be able to use these venues for training purposes, five (5) days before the beginning of the competition, that is to say, **from 22 June 2018**.

Training sessions will have a maximum duration of one (1) hour.

9.4.2 During the competition

The Competition Management will assign one daily training session of one (1) hour in one of the training venues.

During the Technical Meeting, **on 26 June 2018**, the Organising Committee will deliver the Training schedule during competition. Each NOC will then be able to inform of its specific training needs; these will be assessed to be included in the Training schedule during competition.

All NOCs will have to confirm they will use their allocated training session, **by 17:00** the day prior to the training is due; should they fail to do so, the relevant session will be made available for the other NOCs. They may also request, **before 17:00**, an additional training session, which may be allocated to them, **from 20:00 the same day**, subject to availability at the venues.

Upon their arrival, teams will receive all relevant information on the training sessions, both at the Sport Information Centre (SIC) at the Mediterranean Village and at the Technical Information Centre (TIC¹) for Waterpolo.

10. Participation

All NOCs members of the ICMG, whose National Federation is a member association of FINA, are entitled to participate in the Water polo competition of the XVIII Mediterranean Games Tarragona 2018.

Athletes taking part in the competition must have the nationality of the country they represent and abide by the conditions and rules of ICMG and FINA.

Each NOC may take part in the Water polo competition with one (1) team for the Men competition and one (1) team for the Women competition and with a maximum of thirteen (13) athletes per team.

11. Entries

11.1 General principles

The XVIII Mediterranean Games Tarragona 2018 are open to all the athletes of the NOCs of the Mediterranean countries members of the ICMG, as indicated in the rules of the ICMG Charter and of the IOC.

All athletes taking part in the Games must be citizens of the country they represent, in accordance with the IOC rules.

Prior to the Games, every participating athlete will have to fill in and sign the “Athlete Consent Form” as defined by the World Anti-doping Agency.

¹ La The acronym TIC (Technical information centre) that is used in several sports will adopt the technical name of each competition (Referee, Technical Directory, etc...)

11.2 Procedures

The registration process is linked to the general system of accreditations.

The OCMG Tarragona 2018 entry system is an e-accreditation portal through the official website of the Games: www.tarragona2018.cat.

Each delegation will have its own user name and password to have access to this e-accreditation portal available in both French and English.

The portal will allow users to print list of sport entries which, once signed, will have to be sent back, within the deadlines indicated below, to the OCMG Tarragona 2018: entries@tarragona2018.cat

11.2.1 Entries by number

The list of entries by number of participants for each NOC and event will have to be submitted, through the e-accreditation portal, **by 23:59 (Spanish time) on 22 March 2018**.

Deposit for team sports

NOCs participating with a team will have to make a deposit of 3.000 € on the OCMG Tarragona 2018 bank account, **by 22 March 2018**, for each team entered.

In case an NOC decides not to take part in a team event or if it finally does not take part in the team competition, said deposit will not be refunded.

NOCs taking part in the team competitions they have registered for will get a refund of said deposit on the bank account they will have provided as a reference.

Operation bank fees for the refunds will be covered by the NOCs.

11.2.2 Preliminary entries by name (Long list)

The list of preliminary entries of participants by names, by NOC and event, will have to be submitted via the e-accreditation portal, **by 23:59 (Spanish time) on 6 April 2018**.

11.2.3 Final entries by name (Short list)

The NOC of each participating country will have to submit to the OCMG Tarragona 2018, through the e-accreditation portal, the form with the final entries of their participants by name, fifteen (15) days before the beginning of the Games, **that is to say on 7 June 2018 (before 23:59, Spanish time)**.

11.3 Confirmation of entries

Confirmation of entries will take place during the DRM and any eventual modification that could be acceptable will be presented to the SIC and confirmed, at a later stage, during the Technical Meeting.

Specific forms for the confirmation of entries will be distributed in advance to the Head of Mission of each NOC.

12. Technical Meeting

The technical Meeting will take place **on 26 June 2018, at 10:00, at the Mediterranean Village Residents' Services Centre**.

The meeting will be carried out according to FINA rules, and chaired by FINA Technical Delegate. The following persons must be in attendance:

- FINA Technical Delegate;
- One member of the ICMG Technical Commission;
- The team managers (one per country);
- The judges and referees;
- The coaches (one per team);
- The doctors (one per team);
- The OCMG Tarragona 2018 Competition Manager for Water polo.

13. Medical services

13.1 Medical services available at the Village and on the competition venues

During the XVIII Mediterranean Games Tarragona 2018, medical services will be available to any accredited athlete and official who might need them, both at the Mediterranean Village and on the competition venues.

13.1.1 Mediterranean Village

The polyclinic at the Village will provide the residents with the following services:

- Sport medicine
- Physiotherapy
- First aid
- Emergency services 24/24h

A fleet of ambulances will link the polyclinic and the main hospitals, should additional care be needed.

13.1.2 Competition venues

During the events, all competition venues will provide to the athletes the following services:

- Medical services
- Ambulance services

Coolers filled with ice will be available for the delegations at all sport venues.

13.2 Anti-doping control

Anti-doping controls will be carried out during or out of the competition, under the authority of the ICMG Medical and Anti-doping Commission and with the collaboration of the OCMG Tarragona 2018 anti-doping services, in accordance with the rules of ICMG, FINA and the World Anti-doping Code.

All competitors who undergo a control will receive written notification. The official procedure for the collection of sample will subsequently start, in accordance with the official deadlines and regulations.

Any athlete who refuses to submit to a doping control, or who is declared positive after the test, will be disqualified from the competition and will be sanctioned, together with the members of his/her team, in accordance with the ICMG and FINA regulations.

14. Referees-umpires

14.1 Referees

The composition of the team of referees for the Water polo competition at the XVIII Mediterranean Games Tarragona 2018 will be as follows:

- Two (2) referees appointed by FINA;
- One (1) international referee for each participating NOC;
- Three (3) referees appointed by the RFEN.

FINA Technical Delegate will appoint all referees for each match.

The referees committee, with FINA Technical Delegate and two (2) referees appointed by FINA, will rule on any official claim

14.2 Jury of Appeal

In accordance with the technical event regulations of each sport at the XVIII Mediterranean Games Tarragona 2018, international juries of appeal will be formed. They will be responsible for ruling on formal protests and appeals

In the event that the Technical Delegate is not the Chairman of the Jury of Appeal, FINA will, through its Technical Delegate, designate the Chairman of the appropriately composed Jury of Appeal.

Unless special dispensation is granted by FINA, a Jury of Appeal will be composed of one (1) Chairman and two (2) members selected from a list of six (6) suitably qualified representatives of the participating countries.

The list will be communicated by the Technical Delegate during the Technical Meeting.

During the processing of a dispute, the members of the Jury of Appeal belonging to the countries involved will abstain from participating.

14.3 Officials

So as to ensure a good development of the Water polo competition, RFEN will appoint sufficient officials.

FINA will design three (3) officials with international level for the competition.

15. Claims

Claims will be ruled on following FINA regulations. Any claim can be raised by the relevant NOC, in written in Arabic, French or English, accompanied by an economical deposit in cash, which amount is established by FINA rules.

All claims will be addressed to the TIC for Waterpolo who will forward them to the secretariat of the Jury of Appeal and to the ICMG Technical Commission.

The deposit will only be refunded if the claim is successful.

16. Sport clothing

Athletes and officials who participate at the Water polo competition of the XVIII Mediterranean Games Tarragona 2018 will have to wear a sport equipment that complies with FINA and ICMG regulations.

Athletes' sport clothing and equipment will bear no commercial brand. As an exception, the brand name of the manufacturer of the clothing or the equipment will be tolerated if it is discreet and does not have any advertisement purpose, in accordance to the ICMG and FINA rules.

The same rule will apply for the **Medal Ceremonies** regarding sport clothing and advertisement. Athletes will step on the podium with the official clothing of their respective NOC.

17. Medal ceremonies

Medal ceremonies will take place at the end of each competition and according to the schedule.

17.1 Medals and diplomas for individual events

The following medals and diplomas will be distributed, as per the ICMG rules:

17.1.1 First place

Gold medal and diploma to each member of the team classified first in each event.

17.1.2 Second place

Silver medal and diploma to each member of the team classified second in each event.

17.1.3 Third place

Bronze medal and diploma to each member of the team classified second in each event.

17.1.4 From the fourth to the eight place

Diploma to the each member of the teams classified 4th to 8th in each event.

18. Calendar and schedule

The competition of Water polo at the XVIII Mediterranean Games Tarragona 2018 will take place from **Wednesday 27 June to Sunday 1 July 2018**, according to the following schedule (this schedule is provisional and could vary depending on the final entries):

Wednesday 27 June

Water polo

Campclar Aquatic Centre

	Men	Women
11:00		Team 1A vs Team 2A
12:30		Team 1B vs Team 2B
16:00	Team 1A vs Team 2A	
17:30	Team 3A vs Team 4A	
19:00	Team 1B vs Team 2B	
20:30	Team 3B vs Team 4B	

Tuesday 28 June

Water polo

Campclar Aquatic Centre

	Men	Women
11:00		Team 2A vs Team 3A
12:30		Team 2B vs Team 3B
16:00	Team 1A vs Team 3A	
17:30	Team 2A vs Team 4A	
19:00	Team 1B vs Team 3B	
20:30	Team 2B vs Team 4B	

Friday 29 June

Water polo

Campclar Aquatic Centre

	Men	Women
11:00		Team 1A vs Team 3A
12:30		Team 1B vs Team 3B
16:00	Team 1A vs Team 4A	
17:30	Team 2A vs Team 3A	
19:00	Team 1B vs Team 4B	
20:30	Team 2B vs Team 3B	

Saturday 30 June

Water polo

Campclar Aquatic Centre

	Men	Women
09:30		5 th -6 th rank 3 rd Pool A vs 3 rd Pool B
11:00		SEMI-FINAL 1 1 st Pool A vs 2 nd Pool B
12:30		SEMI-FINAL 2 2 nd Pool A vs 1 st Pool B
16:00	7 th -8 th rank 4 th Pool A vs 4 th Pool B	
17:30	5 th -6 th rank 3 rd Pool A vs 3 rd Pool B	
19:00	SEMI-FINAL 1 1 st Pool A vs 2 nd Pool B	
20:30	SEMI-FINAL 2 2 nd Pool A vs 1 st Pool B	

Sunday 1 July

Water polo

Campclar Aquatic Centre

	Men	Women
09:00	Loser SEMI-FINAL 1 vs Loser SEMI-FINAL 2	
10:30	FINAL Winner SEMI-FINAL 1 vs Winner SEMI-FINAL 2	
12:00		Loser SEMI-FINAL 1 vs Loser SEMI-FINAL 2
13:30		FINAL Winner SEMI-FINAL 1 vs Winner SEMI-FINAL 2

The Organising Committee may also change the competition schedule, with the agreement of the Technical Delegate, should special circumstances arise.

Each team or athlete will then be informed, at least, twenty-four (24) hours in advance.

19. Technical offices

Two offices will provide specific information on the Waterpolo competition:

- TIC of Waterpolo, at the competition venue.
- SIC at the Mediterranean Village.

These offices will provide information on the schedule of competition, training sessions, transport, list of players and results.

20. Approval of the regulations

In case of disagreement on the interpretation of these regulations with any other related version, the French version will take precedence.

This Technical Manual was approved by the ICMG on 22 May 2016.



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