



## **2008 NORCECA Women's Junior Continental Championship, U-20 Saltillo, Coahuila State, Mexico July 20-28, 2008**

### **Competition Regulations**

#### **1. Organizer**

- 1.1 For the organization of the **2008 NORCECA Women's Junior Continental Championship, U-20** the Mexican National Volleyball Federation and the Government of Coahuila State, Mexico, in their condition of Organizing Committee, throughout the State Sport Institute of Coahuila, accepts to comply with the terms and conditions established in this Competition Regulation that are the official statutes of the event.
- 1.2 The Mexican National Volleyball Federation, affiliated to the North, Central American and Caribbean Volleyball Confederation, NORCECA and to the Federation Internationale de Volleyball, FIVB and the Government of Coahuila State, Mexico, in their condition of Organizing Committee, throughout the State Sport Institute of Coahuila, **will be responsible for the organization of the 2008 NORCECA Women's Junior Continental Championship, U-20** (qualifying event for the FIVB 2009 Women's Junior World Championship), programmed to be held from July 20-28, 2008, in the city of Saltillo, State of Coahuila, Mexico.

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## 2. Host City and Competition Venue

### 2.1 Host City:

The **2008 NORCECA Women's Junior Continental Championship, U-20** will be held in the city of Saltillo, Coahuila State, Mexico. The event will be held from July 22-27, 2008, competition dates.

### 2.2 International Airport of arrival and departure:

The International Airports for the arrival and departure of participating National Teams, Control Committee and Referees in the **2008 NORCECA Women's Junior Continental Championship, U-20**, in the city of Saltillo, is the International Airport "Plan de Guadalupe", in the city of Monterrey, Nuevo León State, is the International Airport "General Mariano Escobedo".

### 2.3 Competition Venue:

The competition venue will be the "Manuel de Jesus Morales" Gymnasium of the Coahuila Autonomous University, in the city of Saltillo, Coahuila State, Mexico. This Competition Venue has been inspected and homologated by NORCECA for this competition.

### 2.4 Training Venues:

The training venues for participating teams will be the following:

- § "Nazario Ortiz Garza" Gymnasium
- § Technological Institute of Saltillo Gymnasium

### 2.5 Accommodation, meals and internal transportation:

Accommodation, meals and internal transportation for Participating Teams, Control Committee and Referees will be covered by the Mexican National Volleyball Federation and/or the Organizing Committee, from July 20-28, 2008.

### 2.6 Hotels accommodations and meals

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

#### A) Teams Hotel:

- **Hotel Quinta Dorada**  
Blvd. Luis Echeverria 1416 Ote  
Saltillo, Estado Coahuila, México  
Telf: + 52 844 450 5050  
Fax: + 52 844 416 6787  
Email: [reservaciones@quintadorada.com.mx](mailto:reservaciones@quintadorada.com.mx)  
Web site: [www.quintadorada.com.mx](http://www.quintadorada.com.mx)

#### B) Control Committee Members, Referees and Officials Hotel

- **Hotel Camino Real Saltillo**  
Blvd. Los Fundadores 2020  
Saltillo, Estado Coahuila, México  
Telf: + 52 844 438 0000  
Fax: + 52 844 438 0009  
Email: [slw@caminoreal.com](mailto:slw@caminoreal.com)  
Web site: [www.caminoreal.com/salttillo](http://www.caminoreal.com/salttillo)
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Web site: [www.fiestainn.com/salttillo](http://www.fiestainn.com/salttillo)

### C) Meal Services

Participating teams, members of the Control Committee, Referees and Officials will receive their meals in the Salon de Fiestas Hall “Rancho Real Las Varas”. This installation has been inspected and homologated by NORCECA for this competition.

## 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 **2008 NORCECA Women’s Junior Continental Championship, U-20**, 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 **2008 NORCECA Women’s Junior Continental Championship, U-20**, the Mexican 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 Mexico.

#### 4. Events Schedule:

<b>DATE</b>	<b>ACTIVITY</b>
<b>April 25, 2008</b>	Letter from participating National Federations confirming the participation of their National Team to the Mexican National Volleyball Federation and NORCECA.
<b>May 20, 2008</b>	Payment of entry fees of US\$750.00 to be remitted to NORCECA, together with the FIVB 0-2 Form that must be remitted to NORCECA and to the Mexican National Volleyball Federation for the official registration of participating National Teams.
<b>July 14, 2008</b>	Arrival of VIS Instructor
<b>July 15-19 2008</b>	VIS equipment inspection, installation, testing and practical clinic for VIS support personnel and staff.
<b>July 19, 2008</b>	Arrival of Control Committee members.
<b>July 20, 2008</b>	Arrival of Referees and Participating Teams. • <b>10:00</b> Control Committee and Organizing Committee meeting, to be held at the Hotel Camino Real Saltillo, in the city of Saltillo, Coahuila State, Mexico. • <b>14:00</b> Inspection visit to the competition and training venues, accommodation facilities, security, working offices, meeting rooms, VIS, Press Conference Hall, T.V. transmission and transportation. • <b>14:00-20:00</b> Training of participating teams.
<b>July 21, 2008</b>	• <b>08:00-20:00</b> Training of participating teams. • <b>09:00-13:00</b> Preliminary inquiry for participating teams at the Hall "A" of the Hotel Quinta Dorada, in the city of Saltillo, Coahuila, Mexico. • <b>10:00</b> 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. • <b>14:00-15:30</b> Practical Clinic for Referees, Scorekeepers, Line Judges, VIS and support personnel, to be held at the "Manuel de Jesus Morales" Gymnasium of the Coahuila Autonomous University. • <b>18:00</b> Control Committee meeting at Hall "A" of Hotel Quinta Dorada in the city of Saltillo, Coahuila State, Mexico. • <b>20:00</b> General Technical meeting at Hall "A" of Hotel Quinta Dorada in the city of Saltillo, Coahuila State, Mexico.

**July 22, 2008**

**Day 1- Competition**

Group A – “Manuel de Jesus Morales” Gymnasium of the Coahuila Autonomous University.

Preliminary Round - Matches No. 1/3 • 14:00 - 18:00

Group B – “Manuel de Jesus Morales” Gymnasium of the Coahuila Autonomous University.

Preliminary Round – Matches No. 2/4 • 16:00 – 20:00

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

**July 23, 2008**

**Day 2 - Competition**

Group A - “Manuel de Jesus Morales” Gymnasium of the Coahuila Autonomous University.

Preliminary Round - Matches No. 5/7 • 14:00 - 18:00

Group B – “Manuel de Jesus Morales” Gymnasium of the Coahuila Autonomous University.

Preliminary Round – Matches No. 6/8 •16:00 – 20:00

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

**July 24, 2008**

**Day 3 - Competition**

Group A - “Manuel de Jesus Morales” Gymnasium of the Coahuila Autonomous University.

Preliminary Round - Matches No. 9/11 • 14:00 - 18:00

Group B – “Manuel de Jesus Morales” Gymnasium of the Coahuila Autonomous University.

Preliminary Round –Matches No.10/12• 16:00 – 20:00

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

**July 25, 2008**

**Day 4 – Competition**

**Quarter Finals**

“Manuel de Jesus Morales” Gymnasium of the Coahuila Autonomous University.

Matches No. 13/14 • 15:00 - 17:00

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

**July 26, 2008**

**Day 5 – Competition**

Classification 5/8

“Manuel de Jesus Morales” Gymnasium of the Coahuila Autonomous University.

Match No. 15/16 • 13:00 - 15:00

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

### **Semifinals**

“Manuel de Jesus Morales” Gymnasium of the Coahuila Autonomous University.

Matches No. 17/18 • 17:00 - 19:00.

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

**July 27, 2008**

### **Day 6 – Competition**

#### **Classifications & Finals**

“Manuel de Jesus Morales” Gymnasium of the Coahuila Autonomous University.

Classification 7/8: Match No. 19 • 13:00

Classification 5/6: Match No. 20 • 15:00

Classification 4/3: Match No.21 • 17:00

Final Match No. 22 • 19:00, 20:00

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

**July 28, 2008**

Departure of Control Committee members, Referees and participating Teams.

## **5. Participating Teams & Delegation Composition**

5.1 A maximum of eight (8) teams will participate in the **2008 NORCECA Women’s Junior Continental Championship, U-20**. They are the Top eight (8) Teams of the FIVB World Ranking and NORCECA Volleyball Confederation:

Canada	Puerto Rico
Cuba	Dominican Republic
Costa Rica	Trinidad & Tobago
USA	México (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 Mexican 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.

6.3 Players born on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 1990 and after are eligible to participate in the **2008 NORCECA Women's Junior Continental Championship, U-20.**

## 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\$750.00 before May 20, 2008. For the registration of participating teams the use of the official FIVB O2 form is required. These forms are available to be downloaded throughout NORCECA Confederation web page, [www.norceca.org](http://www.norceca.org).

7.1.1 The payment of the registration fee could be made effective to NORCECA throughout an international bank transfer and/or DHL, FEDEX, etc.

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:

Name of Bank:	Wachovia Bank NA.
Account No:	2000192003379
Swift Code:	PNBPUS3NNYC
ABA No.:	026005092
Bank Address:	200 S Biscayne Blvd. 12 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Miami, FL. 33131 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:	Mr. Cristobal Marte Hoffiz President NORCECA Volleyball Confederation
Account No.:	4010019231
Address:	Av. Maximo Gomez, Esq. 27 de Febrero Pabellón de Voleibol, 3ra Planta Centro Olimpico Juan Pablo Duarte Santo Domingo, Republica Dominicana

- 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 0-2 Form, by certified express mail and/or DHL, FEDEX, etc., to the following address:

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- 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 delegations (players, officials, doctors, journalists and referees) must be remitted by express certified mail and/or courier to the Organizing Committee, to the following address:

Mexican National Volleyball Federation  
Av. Rio Churubusco s/n, Ciudad Deportiva, Puerta 9, Oficina 208 y 210  
Delegacion Iztacalco  
Mexico 08010, D.F., Mexico  
Tel.: + (52 55 5) 803-0100 ext 297      • + (52 55 5) 650-7792

**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\$750.00.

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 May 20, 2008.

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

8.1 The **2008 NORCECA Women's Junior Continental Championship, U-20** 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 Molten IV5XC. NORCECA Confederation will provide to the Mexican National Volleyball Federation a total of 30 volleyballs Molten IV5XC.

**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 fee.

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

All Officials on the bench must be uniformed according 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 **2008 NORCECA Women's Junior Continental Championship, U-20** will be played under the following competition format:

- a) With eight (8) Teams two (2) 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 a Round Robin will be played. The first four (4) teams of the Preliminary Round will advance to compete in the Semifinal Round. (1<sup>st</sup> Vs. 4<sup>th</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vs. 3<sup>rd</sup>). The 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place.
- 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. (1<sup>st</sup> Vs. 4<sup>th</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vs. 3<sup>rd</sup>). 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 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place.

#### 9.2 **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.

9.3 According to the established competition format and the FIVB General Regulations, for the semifinal round, the winners of the quarter final round will play the winner of each group in the preliminary round (A1 Vs winner of the quarter final round and B1 Vs winner of the quarter final round). In case that two 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).

#### 9.4 **Round Robin Ranking**

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

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

#### 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 point's ratio according to Article 8.3 of the FIVB Sport Regulations, 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 point's quotient the teams will be classified in descending order by the quotient resulting from the division of the number of all sets won by the number of all sets lost.
- 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 **2008 NORCECA Women's Junior Continental Championship, U-20** teams will be distributed according to their position in the FIVB World Ranking and NORCECA Continental Ranking, using the Serpentine system for their distribution as follow:

### **Group A**

1<sup>st</sup> Order World Ranking  
 4<sup>th</sup> Order World Ranking  
 5<sup>th</sup> Order World Ranking  
 8<sup>th</sup> Order World Ranking

### **Group B**

2<sup>nd</sup> Order World Ranking  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Order World Ranking  
 6<sup>th</sup> Order World Ranking  
 7<sup>th</sup> 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 and NORCECA Continental 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 Mexican 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 Mexican 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** First Aid Medical Service must be provided during the Competition. (International Medical Insurance is recommended for participating teams in order to cover the payment of the medical services required by the members of their delegation).
- 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 Mexican 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 Mexican 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 Mexican National Volleyball Federation and the person contracted for the required services.

- d) The Mexican National Volleyball Federation and/or the Organizing Committee must cover the following financial responsibilities toward NORCECA:

§ **US\$5,000.00** (Five 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 (Junior) of the event, the registration fee for participating teams will be US\$750.00 (Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars). 50% of the registration fee of participating teams will be paid to the Mexican National Volleyball Federation and the remaining 50% of the registration fee corresponds to NORCECA.

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### **Sponsorship and Marketing**

§ **US\$3,000.00** 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 is to be paid to NORCECA, establishing a minimum fee of US\$500.00 (Five Hundred 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 10 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 Mexican National Volleyball Federation and NORCECA before April 25, 2008.
- b) Payment of registration fee US\$750.00 (Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars) to NORCECA before May 20, 2008.
- c) 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 delegations (players, officials, doctors, journalists and referees) before May 20, 2008.
- d) Be responsible for all other additional expenses of their delegation that may apply.
- e) 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 complains 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 complains 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 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 to a US \$3,000.00 sanction.
- d) The non participation in the General Technical Meeting by the Technical Staff of participating teams (Head Coach, Team Doctor and Delegate), shall be subject to a sanction of US\$1,000.00.
- e) The non participation in the press conference by the head coach and captain of the participating teams, after the matches shall be subject to a sanction of US\$1,000.00.
- f) 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 **2008 NORCECA Women's Junior Continental Championship, U-20** is a Continental Event, approved by FIVB as a Qualification Tournament to the 2009 FIVB Women's Junior World Championship, U-20 the Control Committee (Refereeing Sub-Commission and Appeal Sub-Commission) will be composed by representatives of the National Federations affiliated to NORCECA whose representatives are members of the NORCECA Executive Committee / Board of Administration, NORCECA'S Sports Organizing, Technical and Refereeing Commission.

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

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

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

#### **14. Training Facilities**

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

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

#### **15. Security**

The Mexican 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, Mexican 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** This 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 Mexican 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 three (3) ranked teams will be awarded as follows:

- 18.1 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Gold Medal and Team Trophy (Qualify to the 2009 FIVB Women's Junior World Championship, U-20.
- 18.2 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Silver Medal and Team Trophy (Qualify to the 2009 FIVB Women's Junior World Championship, U-20.
- 18.3 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Bronze Medal and Team Trophy (Qualify to the 2009 FIVB Women's Junior World Championship, U-20.

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

- 18.5 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.
- 18.6 For the MVP award, the players will be chosen from among the first two ranked teams (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> 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. In Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, June 5, 2008.

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