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TECHNICAL PACKAGE

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1. Introduction

Technical Packages are critical guiding documents that assist Host Societies as they coordinate all sport competition (including competition formats, rules and procedures) and Mission Teams as they coordinate their teams' participation (including athlete eligibility, categories and team composition). Every Games' Host Society and Participating Unit's Mission Team, Coaches and Managers have an obligation to read and understand every aspect of the Technical Package. Should a need for clarification arise, questions should be directed through the Participating Unit's Chef de Mission for review and response by the Arctic Winter Games International Committee (AWGIC) Technical Director and Technical Coordinator.

2. Rules

This competition will be conducted under the rules of the Futsal Laws of the Game produced by the Fédération International de Football Association (FIFA) as published on January 1 of the year of the Games, except as modified by the AWGIC. The Host Society must advise Chefs on sanctioning and any related matters that might affect their teams.

3. Sanction

The competition will be conducted under the rules and sanction of FIFA as published on January 1 of the year of the Games, unless otherwise approved by the AWGIC. Where possible, the Host Society should explore sanctioning under their jurisdiction's sport governing body (e.g., Canada Soccer). Should a competition be granted sanction, the Host Society will communicate said sanction to all Participating Units, including the conditions of the sanction that may or may not differ from the International Federation's (IFs) rules and sanction.

4. Participants

Each Participating Unit may enter a team comprised of a maximum of nine (9) players and two (2) coaches per team as follows:

Athletes

Females born in 2009 or later	-	9
Males born in 2009 or later	-	9

Females born in 2007 or later	-	9
Males born in 2007 or later	-	9
Females born in 2005 or later	-	9

Note: Units can register Participants within any of the eligible birth years, at the discretion of their Chef de Mission. Units are not obligated to register Participants within the youngest or oldest age category. Where no minimum age category is listed, Chefs de Mission are responsible for determining an appropriate minimum age for their Unit's Participants, with consideration for Eligibility and Competition structure (as outlined in the Technical Package) and the AWGIC's value of meaningful competition.

Staff

Coaches	-	10
Support Staff	-	0

If qualified coaches are available - or otherwise approved by the AWGIC Technical Director and Technical Coordinator - at least 3 must be female. Units must ensure that coaches are screened and trained in accordance with their jurisdiction's coaching standards.

5. Eligibility

To be eligible to compete in the Arctic Winter Games, an athlete shall:

1. Be a "Developing Athlete"
    1. A Developing Athlete is one who has not represented one's nation in international competition (outside of an Arctic Winter Games) in the sport they are competing in.
        1. An athlete who has competed for one's club in international competition (not representing one's nation) is considered a developing athlete;
        2. An athlete who is a member of one's national team, but has not represented one's nation in international competition is considered a developing athlete.

Athletes eligible for the younger age category may compete in the older age category at the discretion of their Chef de Mission. Should they choose to do so, the athlete may only compete in the older age category for all events. Requests to have an athlete compete in an older age category must be submitted to the AWGIC Technical Director and Technical Coordinator a minimum of 14 days prior to the start of the Games.

See Appendix A for additional eligibility requirements.

6. Competition

Format

The competition shall take place abiding by the Futsal Laws of the Game, as published on January 1 of the year of the Games.

Events

a. Tournament Competition

b. Duration of the Match
   - The duration of a match in round robin play shall be two (2) equal periods of twenty (20) minutes straight time with a five (5) minute intermission. There shall be no overtime play during the round robin.

c. Round Robin Match Scoring
   - A team winning a round robin match shall be awarded three (3) points for the win. If a match ends in a tie, both teams will be awarded one (1) point. No points are awarded for a loss.

d. Medal Round
   - If four (4) teams are competing in the medal rounds, the first place team (from the round-robin competition) shall play the fourth place team in one semi-final and the second and third place teams will play in the other semi-final. Semi-final losers will play for the bronze medal; semi-final winners will play for the gold and silver medals.

e. Tie breaking procedure:
   - In case of a tie for any place finish in the round robin standings, the following tie-breaking procedure shall be followed in order to seed teams in the medal round bracket:
     - Win-loss record in head-to-head competition during the round robin tournament. The team with the better/best record is seeded higher.
     - Goal differential in head-to-head competition (if record is equal). The team that scored more goals than the other team is seeded higher

- Total goals scored during the round robin tournament. Teams are ranked by points scored, with the team that scored the most points ranked higher/highest
- Total points allowed during the round robin tournament. Teams are ranked by points allowed, with the team that allowed the least points ranked higher/highest
- The team with the fewer number of red and yellow cards awarded during round-robin play shall be seeded higher.
- Coin toss. Teams call heads or tails and the team winning the coin flip is seeded higher/highest

f. Overtime in Medal Round:
   - If a match played during the medal round ends in a tie, a three (3) minute break will occur before the overtime. Overtime shall consist of two (2) five (5) minute periods. The team to score the first goal will be declared the winner. If a tie exists at the end of the overtime periods, penalty kicks shall decide the winner in the following manner:
     - Each team will take five (5) penalty kicks, alternating turns, at the same end of the playing area. A different player will take each kick. Players may be selected from those eligible to play at the end of the overtime period.
     - If the match is tied after five (5) penalty kicks, the penalty kicks will continue until one team is ahead after an equal number of penalty kicks. As above, coaches may choose any player who is eligible to play at the end of the first penalty shot tiebreaker. A different player will take each kick.
     - A coin toss will be used to determine the team that takes the first penalty kick.

<u>Schedule</u>

The Host Society shall distribute a first draft of the Master Sport Schedule - a detailed multi-sport schedule, including: competitions, practices/training, pre-Games Coach/Manager meetings and all technical meetings - to the AWGIC and each Participating Unit's Chef de Mission for review no later than 1 year (12 months) prior to the commencement of the Games (Opening Ceremony). The Master Sport Schedule becomes "final" three (3) months prior to the commencement of the Games, unless otherwise approved by the AWGIC. A final review and approval of the Master Sport Schedule must be conducted by the AWGIC Technical Director prior to being considered "final".

The Master Sport Schedule is developed by the Host Society in consultation with the Sport Vice President, Sport Chairs and the AWGIC as required. The sport schedule is developed using the Sport Technical Packages and by reviewing the sport schedules from previous Games.

The Host Society shall:
- Create a process for stakeholders to provide input and request changes to the schedule;
- Revise and update the Master Sport Schedule, redistributing updated versions as required on an ongoing basis between 12 months pre-Games and the end of the Games;
- Refer to the AWGIC Staging Manual to view scheduling and draw options.

The Host Society, to the best of their ability shall:
- Refrain from scheduling any competition or practice/training within three (3) hours of the beginning of the Opening Ceremony;
- Respect the timing required for participant feeding, transportation and marshalling for opening and closing ceremonies;
- Ensure that practice/training during the first day of the Games reflects the travel realities of Participating Units (e.g., Units with the least amount of travel should be scheduled to practice/train and/or compete first upon arrival in the Host jurisdiction, where Units with the most travel should practice/train and/or compete last);
- Refrain from scheduling overlapping play among male/female teams from the same Participating Units.

7. Medals

Medals shall be awarded individually by team as follows:
- Gold - 55
- Silver - 55
- Bronze - 55

One medal shall be awarded to each athlete and coach (e.g., 11 medals per team).

8. Equipment

All equipment must abide by Futsal Laws of the Game, Law 4 - The Players' Equipment. A player's equipment includes a shirt with sleeves, shorts, socks, shinguards and footwear.

The Ball

One year prior to the games, the Host Society will provide specifications regarding the FIFA approved ball that will be used during Arctic Winter Games competitions.

9. Competition Uniform

All uniforms must abide by Futsal Laws of the Game, Law 3 - Colours and all colours must meet AWGIC Contingent Uniform Policy requirements. All teams must wear colours that distinguish them from each other as well as from the match officials. Each goalkeeper must wear colours that are distinguishable from those of the other players and the match officials.

10. Registration

All Participants (athletes, coaches, managers and support staff) must be registered in the Arctic Winter Games electronic registration system (GEMS.pro) no later than 14 days prior to the Opening Ceremony.

11. Protests & Appeals

Field of Play disputes should be managed in accordance with the AWGIC Field of Play conduct Policy and Protest Procedure and each International Federation's (IFs) rules.

12. Appendix A

AWGP1 ATHLETE AND CULTURAL PERFORMER ELIGIBILITY POLICY

Preamble:
The Arctic Winter Games combine athletic competition, cultural exchange and social interaction among northern contingents. Arctic Winter Games athletic competitions feature sports that enjoy worldwide popularity and sports unique to the north. The AWG Cultural Program offers opportunities for northern artists to perform on a larger stage to diverse audiences. The Arctic Winter Games International Committee is responsible for providing direction and guidance to contingents to ensure meaningful competition and a diverse cultural program in the Arctic Winter Games Program.

Purpose: This policy provides direction and guidance to the participating contingents when selecting athletes and cultural participants for their teams.

1. To be eligible to compete in the Arctic Winter Games, an athlete shall:
    a. be a "Developing Athlete" as described in the Glossary of Terms and not have been a member of a national team in the sport in which they are competing, nor competed in, nor have been selected for an international competition as a representative of their country in the sport within one (1) year of the opening date of the Games (sports without national sport governing bodies are exempt from this rule)
    b. compete in one sport only c) meet individual sport requirements as per the current technical package.

2. To be eligible to participate in the Arctic Winter Games, a Contingent Cultural performer shall comply with the eligibility requirements included in the current Cultural Technical Package.

3. To be eligible to participate in the Arctic Winter Games, all Contingent Athletes and Cultural performers shall:
    a. be a resident of Yukon, Northwest Territories, Alberta North (north of 55 degrees), Greenland, Alaska, Nunavut or any other participating Contingent/Guest Contingent approved by the Arctic Winter Games International Committee (AWGIC). Current approved Guest Contingents

are Nunavik (Quebec, Canada), Yamal-Nenets (Russia)*, Sapmi (Finland/Norway/Sweden);

b. have been a continuous resident of the participating Contingent for six (6) months prior to the opening day of the Games;
c. comply with all other Arctic Winter Games rules and regulations as outlined in the Arctic Winter Games Staging Manual, Arctic Winter Games Technical Packages or other publications issued by the Arctic Winter Games International Committee;
d. comply with all rules and regulations of their Contingent.

NOTE #1.1: 'Resident' means a person who makes their permanent home in a jurisdiction and includes someone who may be temporarily absent from the jurisdiction but who maintains a close connection with the jurisdiction and has the intention of returning to the jurisdiction after a temporary absence. An individual leaving a jurisdiction with no intention of returning continues to be considered a resident of that jurisdiction up to 90 days after leaving and may participate if the first day of the Games falls within that 90-day period.

NOTE #1.2: A resident of a participating Contingent who is attending school outside the Contingent is deemed to be a continuous resident of their Contingent and is eligible to compete for their residence Contingent or the Contingent in which they are attending school (if a participating Contingent) but not both.

NOTE #1.3: An individual who is a resident of a jurisdiction not eligible to compete at the Games; but who lives in a participating jurisdiction as a student, or who is there on a temporary work visa, or who is otherwise temporarily living in a participating jurisdiction; is not considered a resident of the participating jurisdiction and is therefore ineligible to compete in the Arctic Winter Games.

NOTE #1.4: Individual Contingents may impose additional requirements for eligibility for their team provided they do not contravene the intent of the AWG International Committee policies.

* The Arctic Winter Games International Committee has suspended Yamal, Russia, with immediate effect, following the attacks unfolding in Ukraine in a March 1, 2022 decision.